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Transgender Caucus Virtual Meeting

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Tuesday, October 25, 2022

10:00AM-11:30AM (PST)

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TRANSGENDER CAUCUS (TG) VIRTUAL MEETING AGENDA

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2022

10:00 AM – 11:30 AM

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1. Welcome and Introductions 10:00-10:10
2. Co-Chairs Report 10:10-10:20
 - a. Last Meeting Recap (September 27, 2022)
3. Executive Director/Staff Report 10:20-10:30
 - a. Comprehensive HIV Plan 2022-2026
 - b. Annual Meeting Preparation
4. DISCUSSION: Recap 2022 and Plan for 2023 (10:30-11:15)
 - a. Co-chair nominations
 - b. Brainstorm Learning Sessions for 2023
5. Meeting Confirmation and Agenda Development for Next Meeting 11:15-11:20
6. Public Comments and Announcements 11:20-11:30
7. Adjournment 11:30



VIRTUAL MEETING—TRANSGENDER (TG) CAUCUS
Tuesday, September 27, 2022 | 10:00am to 12:00noon
MEETING SUMMARY

In attendance:

Xelestíal Moreno-Luz (Co-Chair)	Isabella Rodriguez (Co-Chair)	Breann
Cynthia	Mia Perez	Ilish Perez
Lene Reynolds	Mallery Jenna Robinson	Isabella Rodriguez
Yara Tapia	Tray	Cheryl Barrit (COH Staff)
Catherine Lapointe (COH Staff)	Lizette Martinez (COH Staff)	Jose Rangel-Garibay (COH Staff)
Sonja Wright (COH Staff)		

1. Welcome and Introductions

Xelestíal Moreno-Luz, Co-Chair, called the meeting to order and welcomed attendees.

2. Co-Chairs Report

i. Last Meeting Recap (June 28, 2022)

At their June meeting, the Transgender Caucus discussed their May 24, 2022, Virtual Education Session titled “The Power in Pleasure: Inclusive Sexual Health Education Through a Youth Lens.” The event focused on comprehensive sexual health education and featured transgender, gender non-conforming, and intersex (TGI) youth guest speakers. X. Moreno-Luz stated that the event went well; however, she had hoped to see more participation from the Division of HIV and STD Programs.

3. Executive Director/Staff Report

a. Staffing Updates

- Cheryl Barrit informed the group that Jose Rangel-Garibay will serve as the lead staff for the Transgender Caucus.
- C. Barrit announced that there is a new Commission on HIV (COH) staff member, Lizette Martinez. She will serve as the lead staff for the Planning, Priorities and Allocations (PP&A) Committee and Prevention Planning Workgroup (PPW).

b. Comprehensive HIV Plan

- The first draft of the Comprehensive HIV Plan (CHP) is being reviewed by PP&A and DHSP. AJ King, CHP Consultant, will continue to provide updates on the CHP at COH meetings.

c. Best Practices Development for Prevention and Care (Jose Rangel-Garibay)

a. Final review and approval

- J. Rangel-Garibay provided an overview of the Los Angeles County Commission on HIV Special Populations Best Practices Compilation and requested feedback from the Transgender Caucus. See meeting packet for details.
- X. Moreno-Luz recommended including the geographical area where the programs listed on the document took place.
- X. Moreno-Luz suggested adding Together Learning Choices (TLC) and Unique Women’s Coalition to the document for their work with the TGI community.

4. DISCUSSION: Proposal to Conduct Transgender Empathy Training at the Commission’s Annual Meeting (November 10, 2022)

i. Proposal Presentation by Mallery Robinson

- Commissioner Mallery Robinson shared her proposal for delivering a Transgender Empathy Training at the Commission’s annual meeting on November 10th and requested feedback from Caucus members. See meeting packet for presentation slides.
- The training is 90 minutes long and will feature interactive activities for participants.

ii. Reactions, Feedback and Questions

- X. Moreno-Luz commented that the “Medical Mistake or Evidence of Misgendering” video is quite long and might not be able to hold participants’ attention in the virtual space.
- X. Moreno-Luz suggested condensing the information on the Statistical Data slide.
- J. Rangel-Garibay suggested including why there is a need for empathy for the TGI community.
- C. Barrit noted that the Transgender Caucus co-chairs will serve as topic sponsors for this training at the Annual Meeting.
- COH staff will be prepared to use breakout rooms during the training.

5. DISCUSSION: Planning for October Learning Session

- Transgender Caucus co-chairs met with J. Rangel Garibay to discuss planning for the October Learning Session. The event would feature Yuè Begay, a two-spirit indigenous transgender woman living in Los Angeles. She would speak about the disparities faced by transgender women and indigenous men who have sex with men (MSM) community members regarding HIV education and prevention. More information can be found at www.yuebegay.com.
- Other potential topics include HIV in American Indians and Transgender History and Culture.

6. Meeting Confirmation and Agenda Development for Next Meeting

- The Transgender Caucus decided to keep their November 22nd meeting date to have a year-end review.

7. Public Comments and Announcements

- Yara Tapia, Proyecto FACIL Project Manager, announced that a report is available on the findings from a Stakeholder Review Board. For access to the report, please contact joshua.tapia@med.usc.edu.
- X. Moreno-Luz announced that on December 10th, there will be a Black transgender women pageant. The event will feature HIV education. Tickets range between \$30-\$40; however, those who receive services from REACH LA, will get free admission.
- M. Robinson announced that Trans Pride Long Beach will take place on Sunday, October 2nd from 11-6 PM at Recreation Park in Long Beach.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by X. Moreno Luz.

SAVE THE DATE

Planning for Action: 2023 and Beyond

Thursday, Nov. 10, 2022

9:00 AM - 4:30 PM (PST)

DISCUSSION TOPICS

- HIV and STDs in LA County Update
- Comprehensive HIV Plan 2022-2026
- Transgender Empathy Training
- Real Talk: The Effects of Trauma on People Living with HIV
- Undetectable=Untransmittable (U=U): Moving from Awareness to Full Integration in HIV Care
- Dreaming Big: Community Wishlist for a Better and Modernized Ryan White Care System

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Transgender Caucus Workplan 2022

12.15.21/Revised 2.4.22

PURPOSE OF THIS DOCUMENT: To identify activities and priorities the Transgender Caucus will lead and advance throughout 2022.

CAUCUS RESPONSIBILITIES: 1) Facilitate dialogue among caucus members, 2) develop caucus voice at the Commission and in the community, 3) provide the caucus perspective on various Commission issues, and 4) cultivate leadership within the caucus membership and consumer community.

#	Activities & Lead/Champion(s)	Description	Target Deadline	Status/Notes
1	Develop the Comprehensive HIV Plan 2022-2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All Committee and subgroup will contribute to shaping the CHP • Commission, committees and subgroup activities should aim to align with the CHP and support the EHE goals • CHP discussion agendized at all Committee and subgroup meetings 	October 2022	<p>The TG Caucus provide initial feedback on the CHP to AJ King on 1/25/22. Additional ideas may be emailed to AJ King.</p> <p>AJ to hold listening session on April 26.</p>
2	Address Areas of Improvement from the HealthHIV Planning Council Effectiveness Assessment	<p>Member Recruitment and Retention</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Recruiting to get more representation of populations impacted by HIV in LAC 2. Orientation/mentoring of new members 3. Improving retention of new members <p>Community Engagement / Representation</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Encouraging trust between the 	Ongoing	

		<p>community and Commission</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Increasing visibility of the LAC COH in the community 3. Normalizing education on HIV and STIs in healthcare and school-based settings <p>Streamlining the LAC COH's Work</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Streamline priorities and meeting agendas 2. Strengthen relationships between members 3. Reduce barriers for participation in meetings (increase accessibility and training for new members) 		
3	Strengthen core planning council responsibilities		Ongoing	
4	Implement Transgender Caucus 2022 meeting and educational activities schedule	Refer to schedule for focus of each meeting and educational activities	Ongoing	Completed event for Trans Visibility on March 22.

5	Integrate mini training at meetings on how decisions are made on the Commission. Keep training as a standing meeting agenda item.		Ongoing STARTED	<p>Training topics: Commission overview/committee functions and relationship with caucuses; priority setting and resource allocation (PSRA) process; service standards development; Ryan White Care system vs other HIV funding streams; understanding housing services, systems, and funding streams; other topics as determined by Caucus members.</p> <p>Conducted mini training on COH vs DHSP Roles and Responsibilities in July 2021.</p> <p>Conducted min training on PSRA in September 2021</p>
6	Monitor implementation of the DHSP Ending the HIV Epidemic Plan; provide feedback. Keep EHE discussion as a standing meeting agenda item.		Ongoing	
7	Collaborate with the Public Policy Committee on policies specific to Transgender issues and STD response		Ongoing	<p>For consideration: AB 2521 (Santiago), which would amend the Transgender Wellness and Equity Fund, renaming it the Transgender, Gender-Variant, and Intersex (TGI) Wellness and Equity Fund.</p>



**TRANSGENDER CAUCUS 2022 MEETING AND ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE
FOR DISCUSSION AND PLANNING PURPOSES ONLY
Final/Ongoing 4.13.22**

PRIORITIES:

1. Ensure representation of trans issues in the development of the Comprehensive HIV Plan (CHP)
2. Develop best practices for HIV/STD prevention and care for the transgender community
3. Increase awareness of HIV/STD and other relevant health issues affecting the transgender community

Standing Meeting Date *all meetings are from 10am to 12noon	Key Agenda Items	Suggestions/Notes
January 25	1. CHP 2. Best Practices 3. Plan virtual educational activity for March 22	Convene panel of 3 to 4 speakers to highlight key health issues affecting the transgender community. Dovetail virtual educational activity for March 22 to commemorate Day of Trans Visibility (3/31)
February	4. —	
March 22	Virtual event commemorating Day of Trans Visibility	Could tackle a range of issues or focus on specific topic such as youth, PrEP, etc.
May 24	1. CHP 2. Best Practices 3. Plan virtual educational activity for July 26	
July 26	Virtual educational activity	The burdens we carry: Sex work, sexual violence, and mental health
September 27	1. CHP 2. Best Practices 3. Plan virtual educational activity for Nov. 22	
November 22	Virtual educational activity	Could tackle a range of issues or focus on specific topic such as youth, PrEP, etc.
Note: Cheryl is working with Drs. Rao and Gardner to explore partnership opportunities to hold space to highlight transgender care and wellness at a COH meeting. Attempting to setup up a meeting.		

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