



LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
COMMISSION ON HIV



**IF YOU ARE A PERSON LIVING WITH OR AT RISK OF HIV, WE INVITE YOU TO BE A PART OF A UNIFIED EFFORT TO HELP IMPROVE HIV PREVENTION & CARE SERVICE DELIVERY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY**



## **RYAN WHITE PROGRAM MEDICAL CARE COORDINATION (MCC) SERVICES FOR PEOPLE LIVING WITH HIV**

*Do you use MCC services? Would you like to know more about MCC services? Would you like to share your experience with MCC services? Would you like to help improve MCC services?*

*DRAFT REVISED MCC SERVICE STANDARDS ARE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC COMMENT [HERE](#)*

### **CONSUMER CAUCUS \*HYBRID\* MEETING**

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2023**

**2:00-3:30PM**

**\*\*REGISTRATION NOT REQUIRED | LUNCH PROVIDED\*\***

**IN PERSON:** 510 S. VERMONT AVENUE, 9TH FLR, TERRACE CONFERENCE ROOM, LA, CA 90020 \*VALIDATED PARKING AVAILABLE @ 523 SHATTO PL, LA 90020

**VIRTUAL:** [HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/3HA2KVJS](https://tinyurl.com/3HA2KVJS)

For more information, please contact the Commission at [hivcomm@lachiv.org](mailto:hivcomm@lachiv.org) or 213.738.2816

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## CONSUMER CAUCUS (CC)

### **\*\*HYBRID\*\* MEETING AGENDA**

Thursday, September 14, 2023 @ 2:00-3:30PM **\*Time Change**

“Vermont Corridor”

510 S. Vermont Ave, 9<sup>th</sup> Flr, Terrace Conference Room

Validated Parking @ 523 Shatto Pl, LA 90020

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**MEETING PASSWORD:** CONSUMER

**TO JOIN BY PHONE:** +1-213-306-3065 **MEETING #/ACCESS CODE:** 2532 026 5228

1. CO-CHAIR WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS 2:00PM – 2:05PM
2. PRESENTATION & DISCUSSION 2:05PM – 3:00PM
  - a. Medical Care Coordination (MCC) Service Standards
    - MCC Program Overview
    - Review [Draft MCC Service Standards: Public Comment Period 8/29-9/26](#)
    - Feedback Forum (*Opportunity for consumers to share their experiences in using MCC services, share valuable feedback on whether the revised standards meet their needs and to bring awareness & education to those who do not currently use MCC services.*)
3. COH MEETING DEBRIEF (*Opportunity to address specific items from the Commission meeting that directly impact consumers*) 3:00PM – 3:05PM
4. ED/STAFF REPORT 3:05PM – 3:10PM
  - a. County/Commission Operational Updates
  - b. November 9, 2023 Annual Conference Planning
5. CO CHAIR REPORT 3:10PM – 3:20PM
  - a. Extend Standing Meeting Time | POLL
  - b. Creating a “Safe Space” for Caucus Discussion
  - c. 2023 Workplan & Meeting Schedule Review
    - 2023 Meeting Agenda Development
6. MEMBER REPORTS (*Opportunity for COH Caucus members to provide updates from their assigned COH Committees **and** related conferences/events attended to better coordinate activities and harness feedback from a consumer perspective.*) 3:20PM – 3:25PM
  - a. United States Conference on HIV/AIDS (USCHA) | FOLLOW UP & FEEDBACK
  - b. Bylaws Review Taskforce (BRT) Updates
7. OPPORTUNITIES TO IMPROVE CONSUMER ENGAGEMENT 3:25PM – 3:25PM
8. AGENDA DEVELOPMENT FOR NEXT MEETING 3:25PM – 3:27PM
9. PUBLIC COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS 3:27PM – 3:30PM
10. ADJOURNMENT 3:30PM



## CODE OF CONDUCT

The Commission on HIV welcomes commissioners, guests, and the public into a space where people of all opinions and backgrounds are able to contribute. In this space, we challenge ourselves to be self-reflective and committed to an ongoing understanding of each other and the complex intersectionality of the lives we live. We create a safe environment where we celebrate differences while striving for consensus in the fights against our common enemies: HIV and STDs. We build trust in each other by having honest, respectful, and productive conversations. As a result, the Commission has adopted and is consistently committed to implementing the following guidelines for Commission, committee, and associated meetings.

**All participants and stakeholders should adhere to the following:**

- 1) We approach all our interactions with compassion, respect, and transparency.**
- 2) We respect others' time by starting and ending meetings on time, being punctual, and staying present.**
- 3) We listen with intent, avoid interrupting others, and elevate each other's voices.**
- 4) We encourage all to bring forth ideas for discussion, community planning, and consensus.**
- 5) We focus on the issue, not the person raising the issue.**
- 6) Be flexible, open-minded, and solution-focused.**
- 7) We give and accept respectful and constructive feedback.**
- 8) We keep all issues on the table (no "hidden agendas"), avoid monopolizing discussions and minimize side conversations.**
- 9) We have no place in our deliberations for racist, sexist, homophobic, transphobic, and other discriminatory statements, and "-isms" including misogyny, ableism, and ageism.**
- 10) We give ourselves permission to learn from our mistakes.**

In response to violation of the Code of Conduct which results in meeting disruption, Include provisions of SB 1100 which states in part, ". . . authorize the presiding member of the legislative body conducting a meeting or their designee to remove, or cause the removal of, an individual for disrupting the meeting . . . . Removal to be preceded by a warning to the individual by the presiding member of the legislative body or their designee that the individual's behavior is disrupting the meeting and that the individual's failure to cease their behavior may result in their removal." Complaints related to internal Commission matters such as alleged violation of the Code of Conduct or other disputes among members are addressed and resolved in adherence to Policy/Procedure #08.3302." (Commission Bylaws, Article VII, Section 4.)

# Overview of the Medical Care Coordination Program

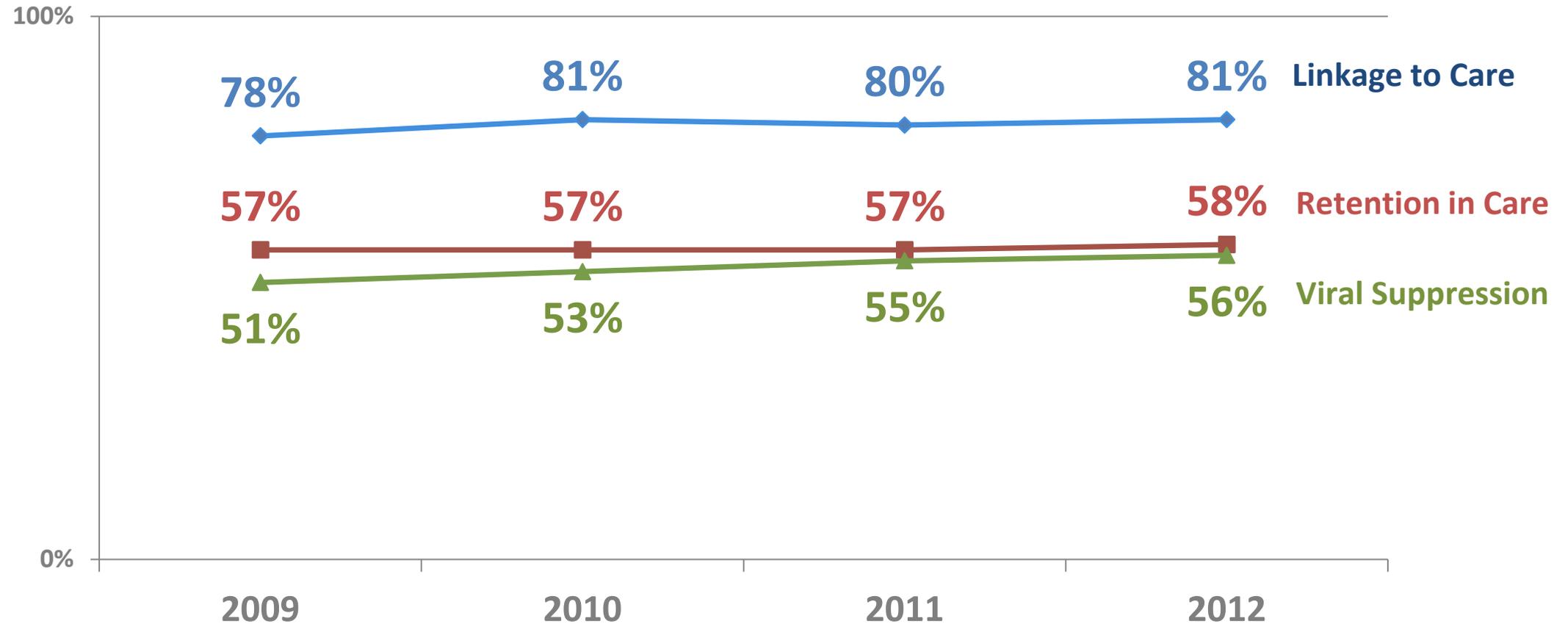
Los Angeles County Department of Public Health  
Division of HIV and STD Programs

September 14, 2023

Consumer Caucus, Los Angeles County Commission on HIV



## MCC was developed in 2012 to increase engagement in care and access and adherence to antiretroviral therapy to improve the HIV care continuum



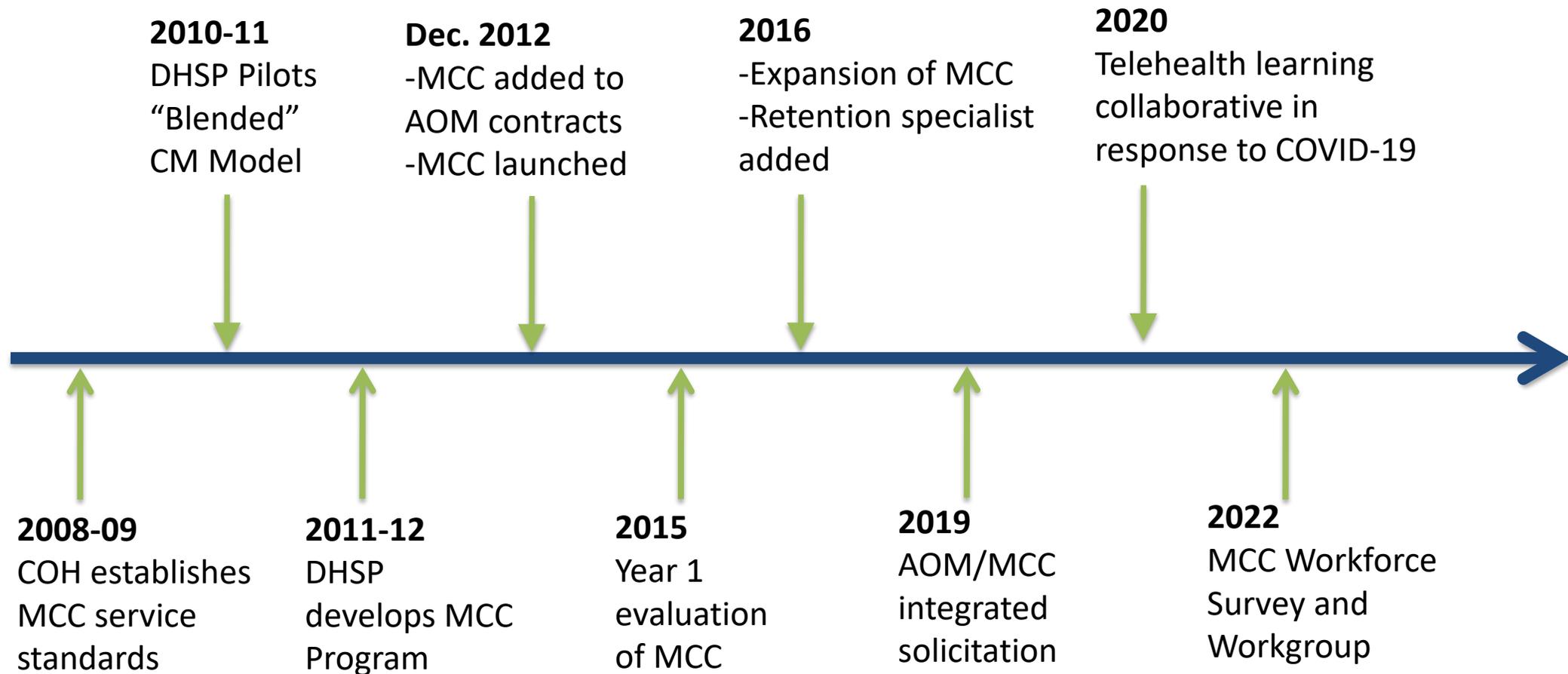
1. **Linkage to Care:** Percentage of persons 18+ linked to care within 3 months of their HIV diagnosis among persons 18+ diagnosed with HIV in each calendar year and residing in Los Angeles County

2. **Retained in Care:** Percentage of persons 18+ with  $\geq 2$  care visits at least 3 months apart among all 18+ persons living with HIV in each calendar year

3. **Viral Suppression:** Percentage of persons with HIV viral suppression (most recent viral load  $\leq 200$  copies/ml) in each calendar year

Reported through 12/23/2013.

# Medical Care Coordination Timeline



## MCC: Integrated Support Services to Improve Health Outcomes

- MCC integrates medical and non-medical case management services to increase engagement in HIV care and improve health outcomes
  - Delivered by multidisciplinary teams (RN, Master's –level social worker, and Retention Outreach Specialist, and a Case Worker)
- The goals of MCC are to:
  - Increase access to care
  - Reduce HIV-related health disparities
- Co-located at Ambulatory Outpatient Medical clinics by 25 agencies representing over 35 Ryan White HIV medical homes in LAC

# Approach to MCC

## Protocol

- Grounded in COH MCC Standards of Care
- Informed by evidence-based interventions and best practices
- Supports standardized service delivery

## Assessment

- Surveyed validated tools to develop
- Measure patients' needs in an objective manner

## Acuity

- Identified key questions in assessment related to level of need
- Assigned acuity level responses to those questions
- Guides service intensity and care planning

## Service Need

- Brief interventions to address health behaviors
- Linked referrals to support services

## Facilitated Discussion

**Objective:** Hear from people who are currently or have been in MCC regarding the following:

1. What are some positive or helpful aspects of being in the MCC program?
2. What are some challenges or negative aspects of being in the MCC program?
3. For people who have never been in MCC but have worked with case managers and social workers, what have been some successes and challenges in your experience receiving these services?

## Consumer Caucus Workplan 2023

**\*Adopted 1/12/23\***

**PURPOSE OF THIS DOCUMENT:** To identify activities and priorities the Consumer Caucus will lead and advance throughout 2023.

**CRITERIA:** Select activities that 1) represent the core functions of the COH and Caucus, 2) advance the goals of the 2023 Comprehensive HIV Plan (CHP), and 3) align with COH staff and member capacities and time commitment.

**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.

#	GOAL/ACTIVITY	ACTION STEPS/TASKS	TIMELINE/DUE DATE	STATUS/COMMENTS
1	<b>Create a safe environment for consumers</b> ( <i>people in need of HIV care and prevention services</i> )	Motivate members to challenge their environment Increase awareness of the caucus in the community	Ongoing	Develop a meeting schedule for 2023 inclusive of community engagement activities, evaluating HIV-related programs and services, educational presentations, and capacity building activities; refer to Co-Chairs for recommendations.
2	<b>Advocacy:</b> <i>Work with the Public Policy Committee to identify opportunities for consumer involvement to support HIV-related legislation</i>	Advocate for items the Caucus prioritizes	Ongoing	<u>Suggestion:</u> In response to DHSP's request to reassess COH activities to be more responsive and action oriented in meeting the needs of the community, coordinate a series of listening sessions as part of the CC meetings to evaluate and provide feedback on RWP services. Invite topical SMEs to present.  Draft letter to HRSA based on closed listening session outcome.
3	<b>Comprehensive HIV Plan (CHP):</b> <i>Participate in advancing the goals of the CHP to ensure the consumer voice is prioritized</i>	Participation in CHP implementation	Ongoing	
4	<b>Leadership and Capacity Building Training:</b> <i>Identify training opportunities that foster and nurture (PLWH &amp; HIV-neg) consumer leadership and empowerment in COH and community.</i>	Continue soliciting ideas from consumers for training topics	Ongoing	CC was invited to participate in the January 23 OPS Committee meeting discussion re: the development of the 2023 training plan. The plan will be finalized for presentation at the February 23 OPS meeting and will be made available to the CC and entire membership.  The 2023 Training Schedule has been finalized and is now available on the COH's website; click <a href="#">here</a> to access.

5	<p><b>Consumer Recruitment &amp; Participation in COH:</b> <i>Identify activities to increase consumer participation at Consumer Caucus/COH meetings, especially individuals from the Black/African American, Latinx, youth, and indigenous communities.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Identify mechanism for retaining Caucus members</li> <li>-Recruit members that are not part of Ryan White contracted agencies or consumers of Ryan White services</li> <li>-Recruit members that need HIV care and prevention services</li> <li>-Develop an award ceremony to recognize individuals that volunteer their time to serve/participate in the Caucus</li> </ul>	Ongoing	<p><b>Question:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Why would anyone come to Caucus meetings?</li> <li>-Why won't providers recruit?</li> <li>-How can we get providers to encourage their clients/patients to attend?</li> <li>-What is the incentive for unaffiliated consumers to attend meetings?</li> </ul>
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**DRAFT FOR PLANNING AND DISCUSSION PURPOSES ONLY**

**ANNUAL CONFERENCE AGENDA OUTLINE**

**NOVEMBER 9, 2023**

**Vermont Corridor Terrace Level (510 S. Vermont Ave, LA CA 90020)**

AGENDA ITEM	WHO/TOPIC
<p><b>Call to Order and Roll Call (9:00-9:15)</b></p>	<p>Co-Chairs and Executive Director</p>
<p><b>Welcome, Opening Remarks, Meeting Objectives, and Recognition of Service 9:15-9:30am</b></p>	<p>Co-Chairs</p>
<p><b>Los Angeles County State of HIV/STDs 9:30-10:30am</b></p>	<p><b>Mario Pérez and DHSP staff (Confirmed)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Successes</li> <li>• Challenges</li> <li>• At the end of the session, attendees will be asked to write down at least 3 community call to action ideas focusing on what the Commission can do to address or support DHSP’s efforts to address HIV/STDs in the County.</li> </ul>
<p><b>The County’s Response to the Intersection of HIV and Substance Use   Harm Reduction and Other Services, DPH, Substance Abuse Prevention and Control (SAPC) 10:30am-11:15am</b></p>	<p><b>Dr. Sid Puri, Associate Medical Director of Prevention, SAPC (Confirmed)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• At the end of the session, attendees will be asked to write down at least 3 community call to action ideas focusing on what the Commission can do to address or support substance use/harm reduction efforts in the County.</li> </ul>
<p><b>BREAK 11:15-11:30am</b></p>	
<p><b>PrEP, Long-acting PrEP, Doxy PEP   Strategies for Increasing Access and Utilization among Priority Populations 11:30 – 12:30pm</b></p>	<p><b>Dr. Ardis Moe – (Confirmed)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• At the end of the session, attendees will be asked to write down at least 3 community call to action ideas focusing on what the Commission can do to address or support increasing access and utilization of PrEP, LAI PrEP, and Doxy PEP in the County.</li> </ul>
<p><b>LUNCH w/ Speakers Housing and People Living with HIV 12:30 – 1:30pm</b></p>	<p>Supervisor Lindsey Horvath, Third District and LAHSA Commission Chair <i>(Invited, awaiting response)</i></p> <p>Dr. Va Lecia Adams Kellum, CEO Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority <i>(Invited, awaiting response)</i></p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>At the end of the session, attendees will be asked to write down at least 3 community call to action ideas focusing on what the Commission can do to help address or support affordable housing for PLWH and priority populations.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Then &amp; Now: Where We Were &amp; Where We Are Now</b>  <b>Community Discussion</b>  <b>Intergenerational Perspectives on Community Building and Resilience</b>  <b>1:30-2:30pm</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Facilitated session with audience participation</li> <li>Address topics such as stigma, fear, life expectancy, stigma, PrEP/PEP &amp; U=U, and community support</li> <li>Voices/Representation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Folx of varying generations, ranging from youth/young adults to LTS (20-30 years living with HIV)</li> <li>2-3 Youth/Young Adults &amp; 2-3 Older Adults</li> <li>Include HIV negative folx</li> </ul> </li> <li>Provide historical context</li> <li>Elicit stories of strength &amp; resilience</li> <li>Include a Call to Action, i.e., provide tools on building intergenerational relationships</li> <li>Encourage folx to interact with each other; create an interactive, fun and engaging presentation/conversation</li> <li>At the end of the session, attendees will be asked to write down at least 3 community call to action ideas focusing on what the Commission can do to help build a united community across generations to end HIV.</li> </ul>
<b>BREAK 2:30-2:45pm</b>	
<p><b>Enhancing Access to Mental Health Services for PLWH</b>  <b>2:45-3:30pm</b></p>	<p><b>Dr. Curley Bonds, Chief Medical Officer, Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health (Confirmed)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>At the end of the session, attendees will be asked to write down at least 3 community call to action ideas focusing on what the Commission can do to address or support mental health services for PLWH and priority populations.</li> </ul>
<b>Public Comments</b> <b>3:30 pm to 3:45pm</b>	
<b>Closing remarks and by co-chairs/Adjourn</b> <b>3:45-4pm</b>	
<b>RECEPTION, AWARDS/RECOGNITIONS, NETWORKING, RAFFLE PRIZES</b> <b>4pm to 5pm</b>	



# Ending the HIV Epidemic

Sent on behalf of the Division of HIV and STD Programs (DHSP)

September 2023

## UPCOMING EHE TOWN HALL

**Ending the HIV Epidemic in Los Angeles County:  
Virtual Town Hall**

**Treatment & Respond**

Wednesday, September 20, 2023  
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM (PDT) via Microsoft Teams

**EHE in LA County Virtual Town Hall: Treatment & Respond**  
**Wednesday, September 20, 2023**  
**10:30 AM to 12:00 PM (PDT)**

Register [here](#) to participate via Microsoft Teams.  
Click [here](#) to view the flyer.

*Learn about new and existing strategies, interventions and resources related to the Treatment and Respond Pillars for Los Angeles County providers and residents.*



Michael Haymer,  
MD, MSW  
EHE Treatment Pillar Lead



Brian Valencia,  
MPH  
EHE Response Pillar Lead

## \*NEW\* Spanish Language Mental Health Program



**\*NEW\* Spanish Language Mental Health Program**

In collaboration with Access to Prevention Advocacy Intervention & Treatment (APAiT), free mental health services are available in Spanish for people who are living with or affected by HIV. To learn more or get connected, see [flyer](#).

**\*NUEVO\* Programa de Salud Mental en Español**

En colaboración con Access to Prevention Advocacy Intervention & Treatment (APAiT), hay servicios gratuitos de salud mental disponibles en español para personas que viven con el VIH o están afectadas por él.. Para mas información, consulte el [folleto](#).

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For questions or to edit subscription status, email [EHEInitiative@ph.lacounty.gov](mailto:EHEInitiative@ph.lacounty.gov)



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## NECESITAS ALGUIEN CON QUIEN HABLAR?

Hay servicios Gratuitos de salud mental disponibles para quienes hablan español

## DO YOU NEED SOMEONE TO TALK TO?

FREE mental health services are available!



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## ¡ESTÁ BIEN PEDIR AYUDA!

APAIT apoya a los adultos (mayores de 18 años) que viven con el VIH o se ven afectados por él VIH en Los Ángeles en estas poblaciones: hombres que tienen sexo con hombres, mujeres cisgénero, mujeres transgénero y personas que consumen sustancias. Ayudamos a las personas a afrontar los factores estresantes de la vida y las condiciones de salud mental brindándoles asesoramiento individualizado y culturalmente apropiado en español, en persona o en línea (telesalud), de forma gratuita.

## WE ARE HERE TO HELP!

APAIT supports adults (18+) living with or impacted by HIV in Los Angeles in these populations: men who have sex with men, cisgender women, transgender women, and people who use substances. We help individuals cope with life stressors and mental health conditions by providing free Spanish in-person or online (telehealth) culturally appropriate one-on-one counseling.

## NUESTROS SERVICIOS

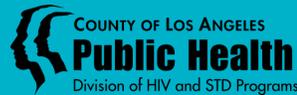
- Terapia Individual
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- Administración de Casos
- Servicios de uso de Sustancias
- Referencias de Vivienda
- Pruebas de VIH e ITS y clases de educación
- Grupos de apoyo social

## OUR SERVICES

- Individual Therapy
- Psychiatric Services
- Case Management
- Substance Use Services
- Housing Referrals
- HIV & STI Testing
- HIV Education Classes
- HIV+ Social Support Groups



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Funding by the Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA) Ending the HIV Epidemic Grant and the County of Los Angeles, Department of Public Health, Division of HIV and STD Programs.

Particionado por la Administración de Recursos y Servicios de Salud (HRSA), Poner Fin a la Epidemia del VIH y el Condado de Los Angeles, Departamento de Salud Pública, División de Programas Contra el VIH y ETS.

# Let's Talk About Sex

AN EDUCATIONAL EVENT FOR SERVICE PROVIDERS TO PROMOTE  
SEXUAL HEALTH IN OLDER ADULTS



Raffles | Prizes | Fun Activities | Networking

SEPTEMBER 22, 2023 | 9:30AM-2:00PM

510 S. VERMONT AVENUE TERRACE LEVEL (9TH FLOOR) , LOS ANGELES, CA 90020

FREE VALIDATED PARKING AT 523 SHATTO PLACE, LA 90020

REGISTRATION @ [HTTPS://WWW.SURVEYMONKEY.COM/R/QYBBPB8](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/qybbpb8) OR SCAN OR  
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# Save The Date

**November 2, 2023**

8 AM - 4 PM

## TGI HEALTH SUMMIT

Increasing awareness of the health disparities and strategies surrounding Transgender, Gender-Nonconforming, and Intersex (TGI) communities. This Summit will support to mobilize information about community resources available, improving knowledge and awareness of HIV care and prevention services in LA, and offer community building initiatives centering healing for TGI Populations.

### Village At Ed Gould Plaza

1125 N McCadden Pl, Los Angeles, CA 90038

REGISTRATION COMING SOON

REACH LA

LOS ANGELES LGBT CENTER



trans\*  
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