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MEMBERSHIP & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT “SPECIAL” COMMITTEE MEETING

Friday, June 26, 2026 | 1:00pm – 3:00pm (PST) ***Note: change in date and time**

510 S. Vermont Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90020

9th Floor Terrace Level Conference Room

Validated Parking: 523 Shatto Place, Los Angeles CA 90020

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AGENDA FOR THE **SPECIAL** MEETING OF THE MEMBERSHIP & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE

FRIDAY, JUNE 26, 2026 | 1:00 PM—3:00 PM *Note: change in date and time

510 S. Vermont Ave
Terrace Level Conference Room, Los Angeles, CA 90020
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COMMITTEE CO-CHAIRS: Ish Herrera and Vilma Mendoza

AGENDA POSTED: June 18, 2026

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SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION: Supporting documents are available on the Commission's website <https://hiv.lacounty.gov/meetings>.

1. **ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

A. Call to Order and Roll Call	1:00 PM—1:05 PM
B. Code of Conduct and Meetings Guidelines/Reminders	1:05 PM—1:10 PM
C. Approval of the Agenda MOTION #1	1:10 PM—1:12 PM
D. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes MOTION #2	1:12 PM—1:15 PM

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT** 1:15 PM—1:20 PM

Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on agenda items or other matters within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. For those who wish to provide public comment may do so in person or by emailing hivcomm@lachiv.org.

3. **COMMITTEE NEW BUSINESS ITEMS** 1:20 PM—1: 25 PM

Opportunity for Committee members to recommend new business items for the full body or a committee level discussion on non-agendized matters not posted on the agenda, to be discussed and (if requested) placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation, or where the need to take action arose subsequent to the posting of the agenda.

4. **REPORTS**

A. Commission on HIV (COH) Staff Report	1:25 PM—1:30 PM
1) Operational and Commission Updates	
B. Co-Chairs Report	1:30 PM – 1:45 PM
1) 2026 Work Plan	
2) Review 2026 Training Schedule	
3) Caucuses Updates and Next Steps	
4) Executive At-Large Open Nominations	
5) Attendance Review August	

5. **MINI-TRAINING** 1:45 PM—2:00 PM

Membership Lifecycle: A brief overview of the membership process, from application submission through appointment, onboarding, and committee placement.

6. **MEMBERSHIP MANAGEMENT** 2:00 PM – 2:25 PM

A. Membership Applications Review	
B. Membership Updates	

7. **POLICY AND PROCEDURES** 2:25 PM—2:40 PM

A. COH Policy and Procedures Review	
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- 8. **RECRUITMENT, RETENTION, and ENGAGEMENT** 2:40 PM – 2:50 PM
 - A. Recruitment & Community Engagement Workgroup | Update

- 9. **NEXT STEPS** 2:55 PM—2:57 PM
 - A. Task/Assignment Recap
 - B. Agenda Development for the Next Meeting

- 10. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** 2:57 PM—3:00 PM

Opportunity for members of the public and Commission members to announce community events, workshops, trainings, and other related activities. Announcements will follow the same protocols as Public Comment.

- 11. **ADJOURNMENT** 3:00PM

PROPOSED MOTION(S)/ACTION(S)	
MOTION #1:	Approve the agenda order, as presented or revised.
MOTION #2:	Approve the prior Committee meeting minutes, as presented or revised.

MEMBERSHIP & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP		
Jayda	Arrington	Committee Member
Stevie	Bieneman	Alternate
Cesar	Corona	Social & Housing Service Providers
Erika	Davies	City of Pasadena Representative – Committee Member
Dahlia	Alé-Ferlito	City of Los Angeles Representative – Committee Member
Joaquin	Gutierrez	Committee Member
Ish	Herrera	Unaffiliated Representative - At Large #1
Angela	Hunt	Unaffiliated Representative - SPA 6
TJ	Griffin, LMSW	Mental Health Providers
Preston	Locklear	Committee Member
Kiante	McKinley, DSW, ACSW	Committee Member
Vilma	Mendoza	Unaffiliated Representative - SPA 7
Paul	Miller	Committee Member
Dontá	Morrison, PhD	Alternate
Sadie	Mullen	Committee Member
Kevin	Nguyen	Committee Member
Ujuonu	Nwizu	Committee Member
David	Cerda Orozco	Committee Member
Elizabeth	Pacheco	Committee Member
Daniel	Rojas	Committee Member
Ishmael	Salamanca	City Of Long Beach Representative – Committee Member
Stephen	Tate	Committee Member
Christopher	Webb	Alternate
Jonathan	Weedman	Board of Supervisors Office #5 Representative
David	Valenzuela	Committee Member
Quorum = 13		



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(Updated 4.27.26)

- This meeting is a **Brown-Act meeting** and is being recorded.
 - Turn off your ringers/notifications on your smart devices so as not to disrupt the meeting.
 - Your voice is important and we want to ensure that it is captured accurately on the record. Please be respectful of one another and minimize crosstalk.

- The **meeting packet** can be found on the Commission's website at <https://hiv.lacounty.gov/meetings/>. Hard copies of materials will not be provided in compliance with the County's green initiative to recycle and reduce waste.

- Please comply with the **Commission's Code of Conduct** located in the meeting packet.

- Public Comment** can be submitted in person or via email at hivcomm@lachiv.org. *Please indicate your name, the corresponding agenda item, and whether you would like to state your public comment during the meeting; if so, staff will call upon you appropriately. Public comments are limited to two minutes per agenda item. All public comments will be made part of the official record.*

- For individuals joining in person, we respectfully ask that you **not simultaneously log into the virtual option of this meeting** to mitigate any potential streaming interference for those joining virtually.

- Attendees joining online should **remain muted** unless called upon.

- Commissioners and Committee-only members invoking **SB 707 for "Just Cause"** must communicate their intentions to staff no later than one hour before the meeting. Members requesting to join pursuant to SB 707 must have their audio and video on for the entire duration of the meeting and disclose whether there is a person over the age of 18 in the room in order to be counted toward quorum and have voting privileges.

- Members will be required to explicitly state their agency's **Ryan White Program Part A and CDC HIV Prevention conflicts of interest** on the record. A list of conflicts can be found in the meeting packet, courtesy of staff.

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CODE OF CONDUCT

APPROVED BY OPERATIONS COMMITTEE ON 05/25/23; COH 06/08/23

Approved (11/12/1998); Revised (2/10/2005; 9/6/2005); Revised (4/11/19; 3/3/22, 3/23/23; 5/30/23)

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.**

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COMMISSION MEMBER "CONFLICTS-OF-INTEREST"

Updated 4/21/26

In accordance with the Ryan White Program (RWP), conflict of interest is defined as any financial interest in, board membership, current or past employment, or contractual agreement with an organization, partnership, or any other entity, whether public or private, that receives funds from the Ryan White Part A program. These provisions also extend to direct ascendants and descendants, siblings, spouses, and domestic partners of Commission members and non-Commission Committee-only members. Based on the RWP legislation, HRSA guidance, and Commission policy, it is mandatory for Commission members to state all conflicts of interest regarding their RWP Part A/B and/or CDC HIV prevention-funded service contracts prior to discussions involving priority-setting, allocation, and other fiscal matters related to the local HIV continuum. Furthermore, Commission members must recuse themselves from voting on any specific RWP Part A service category(ies) for which their organization hold contracts. ***An asterisk next to member's name denotes affiliation with a County subcontracted agency listed on the addendum.**

COMMISSION MEMBERS		ORGANIZATION	SERVICE CATEGORIES
ALMANZAN	Gerardo	No affiliation	No Ryan White or prevention contracts
VAZQUEZ ALVAREZ	Leo	LACADA	No Ryan White or prevention contracts
ARRELANO	Oscar	Homeless Outreach Program Integrated Care System (HOPICS)	No Ryan White or prevention contracts
ARRINGTON	Jayda	Unaffiliated representative	No Ryan White or prevention contracts
BALLESTEROS	AI	JWCH, INC.	Benefits Specialty
			Core HIV Medical Services - AOM; MCC & PSS
			Mental Health
			Oral Health
			STD Testing and STD Screening, Diagnosis & Treatment Services (STD-SDTS)
			HTS - Storefront
			HTS - Syphilis, DX Link TX - CSV
			Biomedical HIV Prevention
			Data to Care Services
			Medical Transportation Services
BARRAJAS	Jerónimo	Unaffiliated Member	No Ryan White or prevention contracts
BIENEMAN	Stevie	AIDS Healthcare Foundation	Benefits Specialty
			Core HIV Medical Services - AOM; MCC & PSS
			Mental Health
			Oral Health
			Medical Transportation Services
			HIV & STD LB
			STD Testing and STD Screening, Diagnosis & Treatment Services (STD-SDTS)
			HTS - Storefront
Sexual Health Express Clinics (SHEX-C)			
BLEA	Leroy	California Department of Public Health, Office of AIDS	Part B Grantee
			Core HIV Medical Services - AOM; MCC & PSS

COMMISSION MEMBERS		ORGANIZATION	SERVICE CATEGORIES
BOLAN	Robert	LA LGBT Center	Vulnerable Populations (YMSM)
			Vulnerable Populations (Trans)
			STD Testing and STD Screening, Diagnosis & Treatment Services (STD-SDTS)
			HTS - Storefront
			HTS - Social and Sexual Networks
			Biomedical HIV Prevention Services
			Medical Transportation Services
BROWN	Jasmine	Oasis Clinic (Charles R. Drew University/Drew CARES)	Core HIV Medical Services - PSS
			HTS - Storefront
			HTS - Social and Sexual Networks
CIELO	Mikhaela	Los Angeles General Hospital	No Ryan White or prevention contracts
CONTRERAS	Robert	Bienestar	Nutrition Support (Food Bank/Pantry Service)
			Vulnerable Populations (Trans)
			High Impact Prevention
			HTS - Storefront
			HTS - Social and Sexual Networks
			STD-SDTS
			Medical Transportation Services
COPELAND	Raniyah	Equity Impact Solutions	No Ryan White or prevention contracts
			Core HIV Medical Services - MCC & PSS
CORONA	Anthony	Watt's Healthcare	Biomedical HIV Prevention Services
			Oral Health
			STD Testing and STD Screening, Diagnosis & Treatment Services (STD-SDTS)
			Medical Transportation Services
			Benefit Specialty
CORONA	Ceasar	Tarzana Treatment Center	Core HIV Medical Services - AOM; MCC & PSS
			Intensive Care Management
			Substance Use Transitional Hsg
			STD Testing and STD Screening, Diagnosis & Treatment Services (STD-SDTS)
			HTS - Storefront
			HERR
			Biomedical HIV Prevention Services
			Medical Transportation Services
			HIV Testing and Viral Hepatitis Services

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CROSS	Johnny	Men's Health Foundation	Core HIV Medical Services - AOM; MCC & PSS
			Biomedical HIV Prevention Services
			Vulnerable Population (YMSM)
			Sexual Health Express Clinics (SHEX-C)
			Data to Care Services
			Medical Transportation Services
DAVIES	Erika	City of Pasadena	No Ryan White or prevention contracts
DOLAN	Caitlyn	Men's Health Foundation	Core HIV Medical Services - AOM; MCC & PSS
			Biomedical HIV Prevention Services
			Vulnerable Populations (YMSM)
			Sexual Health Express Clinics (SHEX-C)
			Data to Care Services
			Medical Transportation Services
ALE-FERLITO	Dahlia	City of Los Angeles AIDS Coordinator	No Ryan White or prevention contracts
FRAMES	Arlene	Unaffiliated representative	No Ryan White or prevention contracts
GAMBOA	Robert	LA LGBT Center	Core HIV Medical Services - AOM; MCC & PSS
			Vulnerable Populations (YMSM)
			Vulnerable Populations (Trans)
			STD Testing and STD Screening, Diagnosis & Treatment Services (STD-SDTS)
			HTS - Storefront
			HTS - Social and Sexual Networks
			Biomedical HIV Prevention Services
			Medical Transportation Services
GERSH	Lauren	APLA Health & Wellness	Benefit Specialty
			Core HIV Medical Services - AOM; MCC & PSS
			Intensive Case Management Services
			Nutrition Support (Food Bank/Pantry Service)
			Oral Health
			STD-Ex.C
			High Impact Prevention
			Biomedical HIV Prevention Services
			Medical Transportation Services
			Data to Care Services
			Residential Facility For the Chronically Ill (RCFCI)
GONZALEZ	Felipe	Unaffiliated representative	No Ryan White or Prevention Contracts

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GREEN	Joseph	Unaffiliated representative	No Ryan White or prevention contracts
GRIFFEN	TJ	Men's Health Foundation	Core HIV Medical Services - AOM; MCC & PSS
			Biomedical HIV Prevention Services
			Vulnerable Populations (YMSM)
			Sexual Health Express Clinics (SHEX-C)
			Data to Care Services
			Medical Transportation Services
GUTIERREZ	Joaquin	Unaffiliated representative	No Ryan White or prevention contracts
HARRIS	Darryn	St. John's Well Child and Family Center (SJW)	Core HIV Medical Services - AOM; MCC & PSS
			Oral Health
			HTS - Social and Sexual Networks
			Mental Health
			Biomedical HIV Prevention Services
			Medical Transportation Services
HUNT	Angela	Unaffiliated Member	No Ryan White or prevention contracts
HERRERA	Ismael "Ish"	Unaffiliated representative	No Ryan White or prevention contracts
JOHNSON	LeiLani	Unaffiliated Member	No Ryan White or prevention contracts
JOHNSON	Stephanie	Men's Health Foundation	Core HIV Medical Services - AOM; MCC & PSS
			Biomedical HIV Prevention Services
			Vulnerable Populations (YMSM)
			Sexual Health Express Clinics (SHEX-C)
			Data to Care Services
			Medical Transportation Services
LARA	Roberto	AMAAD	No Ryan White or prevention contracts
LESTER	Rob	Men's Health Foundation	Core HIV Medical Services - AOM; MCC & PSS
			Biomedical HIV Prevention Services
			Vulnerable Populations (YMSM)
			Sexual Health Express Clinics (SHEX-C)
			Data to Care Services
			Medical Transportation Services
LOCKLEAR	Preston	LA LGBT Center	Core HIV Medical Services - AOM; MCC & PSS
			Vulnerable Populations (YMSM)
			Vulnerable Populations (Trans)
			STD Testing and STD Screening, Diagnosis & Treatment Services (STD-SDTS)
			HTS - Storefront

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			HTS - Social and Sexual Networks
			Biomedical HIV Prevention Services
			Medical Transportation Services
MARTINEZ	Miguel	No affiliation	No Ryan White or prevention contracts
MATTERN	Eric	Tarzana Treatment Center	Benefit Specialty
			Core HIV Medical Services - AOM; MCC & PSS
			Intensive Care Management
			Substance Use Transitional Hsg
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			HERR
			Biomedical HIV Prevention Services
			Medical Transportation Services
			HIV Testing and Viral Hepatitis Services
MCKINLEY	Kiante	LA LGBT Center	Core HIV Medical Services - AOM; MCC & PSS
			Vulnerable Populations (YMSM)
			Vulnerable Populations (Trans)
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			HTS - Social and Sexual Networks
			Biomedical HIV Prevention Services
Medical Transportation Services			
MENDOZA	Vilma	Unaffiliated representative	No Ryan White or prevention contracts
MILLER	Jack	Unaffiliated Member	No Ryan White or prevention contracts
MILLER	Paul	St. John's Well Child and Family Center (SJW)	Core HIV Medical Services - AOM; MCC & PSS
			Oral Health
			HTS - Social and Sexual Networks
			Mental Health
			Biomedical HIV Prevention Services

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			Medical Transportation Services
MORRISON	Donta	UCLA CARE	No Ryan White or prevention contracts
MULLEN	Sadie	No affiliation	No Ryan White or prevention contracts
MURILLO	Ismael	Unaffiliated Member	No Ryan White or prevention contracts
NASH	Paul	University of Southern California	No Ryan White or prevention contracts
NGUYEN	Kevin	Saban Community Clinic	No Ryan White or prevention contracts
NELSON	Katja	APLA Health & Wellness	Benefits Specialty
			Core HIV Medical Services - AOM; MCC & PSS
			Intensive Case Management Services
			Nutrition Support (Food Bank/Pantry Service)
			Oral Health
			STD-Ex.C
			HERR
			Biomedical HIV Prevention Services
			Medical Transportation Services
			Data to Care Services
			Residential Facility For the Chronically III (RCFCI)
NWIZU	Ujuonu	Public Health Alliance	No Ryan White or prevention contracts
CERDA OROZCO	David	No affiliation	No Ryan White or prevention contracts
PACHECO	Elizabeth	Tarzana Treatment Center	Benefit Specialty
			Core HIV Medical Services - AOM; MCC & PSS
			Intensive Case Management Services
			Substance Use Transitional Hsg
			STD Testing and STD Screening, Diagnosis & Treatment Services (STD-SDTS)
			HTS - Storefront
			HERR
			Biomedical HIV Prevention Services
			Medical Transportation Services
			HIV Testing and Viral Hepatitis Services
			Core HIV Medical Services - AOM; MCC & PSS

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PATEL	Byron	Los Angeles LGBT Center	Vulnerable Populations (YMSM)
			Vulnerable Populations (Trans)
			STD Testing and STD Screening, Diagnosis & Treatment Services (STD-SDTS)
			HTS - Storefront
			HTS - Social and Sexual Networks
			Biomedical HIV Prevention Services
			Medical Transportation Services
PERÉZ	Mario	Los Angeles County, Department of Public Health, Division of HIV and STD Programs	Ryan White/CDC Grantee
PLEASANTS	Shawn	Unaffiliated Member	No Ryan White or prevention contracts
ROJAS	Daniel	LAC Consumer & Business Affairs	No Ryan White or prevention contracts
SALAMANCA	Ismael	City of Long Beach	Benefits Specialty
			Core HIV Medical Services - AOM; MCC & PSS
			Biomedical HIV Prevention Services
			HTS - Social and Sexual Networks
			Medical Transportation Services
SANCHEZ-RAMOS	Emmanuel	APLA Health	Benefit Specialty
			Core HIV Medical Services - AOM; MCC & PSS
			Intensive Case Management Services
			Nutrition Support (Food Bank/Pantry Service)
			Oral Health
			STD - ExC
			High Impact Prevention
			Biomedical HIV Prevention Services
			Medical Transportation Services
			Data to Care Services
			Residential Facility For the Chronically Ill (RCFCI)
SAN AGUSTIN	Glen	JWCH, INC.	Benefits Specialty
			Core HIV Medical Services - AOM; MCC & PSS
			Mental Health
			Oral Health
			STD Testing and STD Screening, Diagnosis & Treatment Services (STD-SDTS)
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			Biomedical HIV Prevention Services
			Data to Care Services

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			Medical Transportation Services
SANTIAGO	Draya	Unaffiliated Member	No Ryan White or prevention contracts
SARMIENTO	Harold	The Wound Saviors	No Ryan White or prevention contracts
SKELTON	Maria	No affiliation	No Ryan White or prevention contracts
SPENCER	LaShonda	Oasis Clinic (Charles R. Drew University/Drew CARES)	Core HIV Medical Services - PSS
			HTS - Storefront
			HTS - Social and Sexual Networks
TATE	Stephen	Unaffiliated Member	No Ryan White or prevention contracts
WEBB	Christopher	REACH LA	HTS - Social and Sexual Networks
WEEDMAN	Jonathan	ViaCare Community Health	Biomedical HIV Prevention
			Core HIV Medical Services - AOM & MCC
VALENZUELA	David	LAC Department of Public Health	No Ryan White or prevention contracts
VOLBY	Montana	Unaffiliated Member	No Ryan White or prevention contracts



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**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING
 OF THE MEMBERSHIP AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

DATE: Thursday, April 23, 2026 from 10:00 AM—12:00 PM.

LOCATION: 510 S. Vermont Ave. Terrace Level Conference Room (9th Floor), Los Angeles, CA 90020

CALL TO ORDER: COH staff called the meeting to order at 10:07 AM.

CO-CHAIRS: TBD.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION: Supporting documents are available on the Commission’s website <https://hiv.lacounty.gov/membership-community-engagement-committee/>

MEMBERSHIP AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP			
P = Present A = Absent EA = Excused Absence SB707 = Remote Participation PU = Public			
Jayda Arrington	P	Dontá Morrison	P
Stevie Bieneman	P	Sadie Mullen	A
Cesar Corona	P	Kevin Nguyen	P
Erika Davies	EA	Ujuonu Nwizu	P
Dahlia Ale-Ferlito	SB707	David Cerda	P
Joaquin Gutierrez	EA	Elizabeth Pacheco	P
Ish Herrera	P	David Rojas	P
Angela Hunt	EA	Ishmael Salamanca	EA
TJ Griffin	P	Stephen Tate	A
Preston Locklear	P	Christopher Webb	P
Kiante McKinley	P	Jonathan Weedman	P
Vilma Mendoza	P	David Valenzuela	A
Paul Miller	A		

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS	<p>MOTION #1: Approval of the Agenda. <i>Approved by consensus.</i></p> <p>MOTION #2: Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes. <i>Approved by consensus.</i></p>
PUBLIC COMMENT	There were no public comments.
COMMITTEE NEW BUSINESS ITEMS	There were no new committee business items.

<p>REPORTS</p>	<p><u>COMMISSION ON HIV (COH) STAFF REPORT</u></p> <p>Commission staff, Dr. Sonja Wright, welcomed the new membership to the committee. S. Wright provided a review of the agenda to help members familiarize themselves with the meeting structure and organization. Key updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First full commission meeting held April 9; included orientation • Next full commission meeting: May 14 (location: Jesse Owens Park) • Executive Committee meeting scheduled for May 28 • Members encouraged to attend upcoming Project Angel Food tour • Registration open for 2026 National Ryan White Conference (Aug 3–7, Washington, DC; virtual option available) <p><u>CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, OFFICE OF AIDS (OA)</u></p> <p>Pamela Ogata, Division of HIV and STDs (DHSP) staff and reporting on behalf of the OA, shared that the OA will be releasing a copy of the draft 2027-2031 Integrated HIV Plan for review and feedback ahead of the May 14 COH meeting. During the review period, Commissioners will have the opportunity to provide additional feedback for incorporation into the final draft of the plan and concurrence at the May 14 COH meeting.</p> <p>Strategic Focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Address HIV through a syndemic approach, meaning: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Integrated response across multiple factors, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Homelessness ▪ Economic disparities ▪ Substance use ▪ Mental health ○ Not limited to biomedical treatment alone <p>Clarification was provided on the concept of a “syndemic” as a multi-layered, interconnected public health approach.</p> <p>Commission staff will send an email to members with instructions for review and feedback.</p>
<p>COMMITTEE ORIENTATION</p>	<p>S. Wright provided a high-level orientation on the roles and responsibilities of the COH and the MCE Committee. Members were introduced to key topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program • Purpose, bylaws, and structure of the Commission on HIV • Roles and responsibilities of the MCE Committee • Core activities, attendance requirements for commissioners, and meeting frequency of the MCE Committee • Introduction to commission support staff <p>See meeting packet for presentation slides.</p>

<p>DISCUSSION ITEMS</p>	<p><u>2026 MCE WORKPLAN AND MEETING CALENDAR</u></p> <p>S. Wright presented the committee workplan and meeting calendar. The workplan outlines major tasks taken on by the committee, including (1) developing and conducting commissioner orientation and mandatory training, (2) developing, reviewing, and revising, as needed, COH policies, and (3) ensuring COH membership and recruitment align with all federal requirements. See meeting packet for more details. The workplan is a living document and is subject to change, as needed.</p> <p>S. Wright also presented the committee meeting calendar for the year and reminded members that the calendar is available on the Commission website. Meeting calendar is subject to change.</p> <p>MOTION #3 - Approve the Membership & Community Engagement Committee 2026 workplan, as presented or revised. <i>Approved by consensus.</i></p> <p><u>MEMBERSHIP REVIEW FOR PARITY, REFLECTIVENESS & INCLUSIVITY</u></p> <p>Staff, S. Wright, introduced the need to establish a Recruitment Workgroup to address current membership vacancies.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purpose: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Develop a recruitment strategy ○ Focus on communities most impacted by HIV ○ Conduct outreach beyond meetings <p>Vacancies Identified:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seat 7: Health/Hospital Planning Agency • Seat 10: Medicaid/Medi-Cal • Seat 15: Formerly incarcerated individuals • Seat 20: Unaffiliated Representative SPA 5 • Seat 23: Unaffiliated Representative SPA 8 • Seat 25: Unaffiliated Representative At-Large 2 • Seat 30: Board of Supervisors Office #4 Representative <p>Workgroup will develop both targeted and general recruitment strategies.</p> <p>Volunteers: I. Herrera, S. Bieneman, D. Cerda Orozco, and K. Nguyen.</p> <p>MOTION #4 – Approve Establishment of a Recruitment Planning Workgroup. <i>Approved by consensus</i></p>
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	<p><u>COMMITTEE CO-CHAIR ELECTIONS</u></p> <p>Staff opened nominations for committee co-chairs and explained:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Co-chairs facilitate meetings and collaborate with staff • Responsibilities include attending and reporting to the Executive Committee and the full Commission meetings; participation required in multiple meetings • Estimated commitment: approximately 10 hours per month • Two-year staggered term <p>Nominations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TJ Griffin, Ish Herrea, Vilma Mendoza, and Preston Locklear self-nominated themselves. TJ Griffin rescinded his nomination prior to the vote. <p>MOTION #5 - Approve the committee co-chair(s) as elected. <i>Ish Herrera and Vilma Mendoza were elected by roll call vote.</i></p> <p>Round 1: S. Bieneman – Vilma, C. Corona – Vilma, D. Ale-Ferlito – Vilma, I. Herrera – Ish, TJ Griffin – Ish, P. Locklear – Ish, K. McKinley – Vilma, V. Mendoza – Ish, D. Morrison – Ish, K. Nguyen – Vilma, U. Nwizu – Ish, D. Cerda Orozco – Ish, E. Pacheco – Ish, D. Rojas – Vilma, C. Webb – Ish, and J. Weedman – Ish. <i>Ish = 10, Vilma = 6.</i></p> <p>Round 2: S. Bieneman – Vilma, C. Corona – Vilma, D. Ale-Ferlito – Vilma, I. Herrera – Vilma, TJ Griffin – Preston, P. Locklear – Vilma, K. McKinley – Vilma, V. Mendoza – Vilma, D. Morrison – Preston, K. Nguyen – Vilma, U. Nwizu – Vilma, D. Cerda Orozco – Vilma, E. Pacheco – Vilma, D. Rojas – Vilma, C. Webb – Vilma, J. Weedman – Vilma. <i>Vilma = 14, Preston = 2.</i></p>
<p>ANNOUNCEMENTS</p>	<p>Members shared upcoming community events:</p> <p>Trans Joy Day – May 31 (Lincoln Heights; day-to-night celebration and health promotion event)</p> <p>ZenFest – May 9, 10:00 AM–8:00 PM (East Los Angeles; wellness-focused event with workshops and performances)</p> <p>Homeless Connect Day – May 21, 9:00 AM–1:00 PM (North Hollywood; services include housing, legal, medical, and more)</p>
<p>ACTION ITEMS</p>	
<p>RESPONSIBLE PARTY</p>	<p>ITEM</p>
<p>COH STAFF</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff to coordinate Recruitment Workgroup logistics. • Staff will schedule a meeting with MCE Co-chairs to review their roles and responsibilities.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff will compile and distribute announcement details via follow-up email.
MCE COMMITTEE	Members encouraged to bring upcoming event information to future meetings for outreach coordination.
NEXT MEETING	The next Membership and Community Engagement Committee meeting is Thursday, June 25, 2026, from 10:00 AM—12:00 PM at the Vermont Corridor.
ADJOURNMENT	The meeting adjourned at 12:11 PM.

PREPARED BY: Dr. Sonja Wright	APPROVAL DATE:
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Membership & Community Engagement (MCE) Committee 2026 Workplan

PURPOSE

To identify and organize the activities and priorities the Membership & Community Engagement (MCE) Committee (fka Operations Committee) will lead and advance during the Ryan White Program Year March 1, 2026 – February 28, 2027, in alignment with the Commission’s restructured governance model, adopted Bylaws, and integrated HIV planning responsibilities. *The 2026 Workplan and Meeting Calendar are subject to change.*

CRITERIA

Activities included in this workplan are selected based on their ability to:

1. Reflect the core governance, membership, and community engagement functions of the Commission and the MCE Committee;
 2. Support and inform the jurisdiction’s Integrated HIV Prevention and Care Plan and related needs assessment activities; and
 3. Align with COH staff and member capacity, recognizing realistic commitments and a bi-monthly meeting schedule.
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CORE COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

The Membership & Community Engagement (MCE) Committee is responsible for:

1. Developing, conducting, and overseeing ongoing orientation, training, leadership development, and mentorship activities for Commissioners, Committee-only members, and the public related to the Commission, integrated HIV planning, and HIV service systems;
2. Reviewing, recommending, and supporting the implementation of Commission membership-related policies and procedures, including those required by the restructured Bylaws;
3. Coordinating ongoing community outreach, public awareness, and engagement activities to support transparency, participation, and meaningful community involvement in Commission work;



4. Leading recruitment, screening, scoring, and evaluation of applications for Commission membership and recommending nominations in accordance with the Open Nominations Process; and
5. Supporting and guiding community-informed needs assessment and engagement activities in coordination with the Planning, Priorities & Allocations (PP&A) Committee as part of the Integrated HIV Prevention and Care Plan.

ACRONYMS

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COH: Commission on HIV • DHSP: Division on HIV and STD Programs • BOS: Board of Supervisors • HRSA: Health Resources and Services Administration • MCE: Membership and Community Engagement Committee • PP&A: Planning, Priorities, and Allocations Committee • SBP: Standards and Best Practices Committee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EO: Executive Office • CDPH OA: California Department of Public Health, Office of AIDS • PSRA: Priority Setting and Resource Allocation • RWHAP: Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program • MAI: Minority AIDS Initiative • PY: Program Year (e.g. PY37)
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#	Objective	Lead Committee	Partners Needed	Timeline	Notes/Comments
1	Develop and conduct Commissioner Orientation & Mandatory Training	MCE	All Committees and Caucuses	Ongoing	
2	Develop, review, and implement COH Policies and Procedures, revise as needed.	MCE	Executive	Ongoing	Approval process from MCE to EC to COH
3	Develop and implement Mentorship Program	MCE	All committees and caucuses	Ongoing	
4	Review membership participation and attendance	MCE	Executive	Quarterly	
5	Coordinate outreach/public awareness efforts to educate and engage the community about the Commission and promote access to HIV prevention, care, and support services.	MCE	All committees and caucuses	Ongoing	
6	Ensure COH membership and recruitment align with all federal requirements	MCE	All committees and caucuses	Ongoing	



7	Identify and pursue additional funding to support the Commission's special initiatives and operational needs.	MCE	Executive	Ongoing	
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2026 MEMBERSHIP & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT (MCE) COMMITTEE MEETING CALENDAR

MONTH	KEY ACTIVITIES
April 23, 2026 10am-12pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open nominations for co-chairs • Elect co-chairs • Conduct committee orientation training • Review 2026 committee workplan • Adopt 2026 committee meeting calendar • Discuss/develop/implement recruitment strategy to fill vacant seats • Review Caucuses roles and responsibilities and provide oversight and guidance to ensure alignment with Commission priorities, community engagement goals, and integrated planning activities
June 25, 2026 10am-12pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify priority COH policy and procedures for review and revision • Review/Finalize training and/or mentorship framework & curriculum • Discuss/develop/implement recruitment strategy to fill vacant seats • Coordinate outreach/public awareness efforts to educate and engage the community about the Commission and promote access to HIV prevention, care, and support services, e.g., leverage USCHA Conference held in Anaheim • Coordinate with the PP&A Committee to support community engagement activities related to the Integrated Plan needs assessment • Receive updates from Caucuses and provide oversight and guidance to ensure alignment with Commission priorities, community engagement goals, and integrated planning activities.
August 27, 2026 10am-12pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review and approve priority COH policy and procedure updates • Review member attendance report and member PIR composition • Support needs assessment engagement; coordinate with PP&A • Begin outlining mentorship program goals, structure, and scope • Discuss/develop/implement recruitment strategy to fill vacant seats • Coordinate outreach/public awareness efforts to educate and engage the community about the Commission and promote access to HIV prevention, care, and support services, e.g., leverage USCHA Conference held in Anaheim



	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Receive updates from Caucuses and provide oversight and guidance to ensure alignment with Commission priorities, community engagement goals, and integrated planning activities.
October 22, 2026 10am-12pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review member attendance report and member PIR composition• Review and approve priority COH policy and procedure updates• Continue developing/refining mentorship program goals, structure, and scope• Coordinate with other Committees to support planning and preparation for the Annual Meeting to be held in February 2027• Discuss/develop/implement recruitment strategy to fill vacant seats• Coordinate outreach/public awareness efforts to educate and engage the community about the Commission and promote access to HIV prevention, care, and support services• Receive updates from Caucuses and provide oversight and guidance to ensure alignment with Commission priorities, community engagement goals, and integrated planning activities.
November 2026 **CANCELED**	Limited committee activity in recognition of the holiday period to support internal planning, policy development, and preparation for year-end review activities.
December 2026 **CANCELED**	No committee meeting scheduled to support year-end administrative close-out, planning, and preparation activities led by staff and Commission leadership.



<p>January 28, 2027 10am-12pm</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review member attendance report and member PIR composition• Review the COH Bylaws and associated policies to identify any recommended updates or clarifications• Review and assess the committee’s yearlong activities and deliverables to identify key lessons learned and draft initial observations and highlights for the next year’s workplan and the COH’s Annual Report• Coordinate with other Committees to support planning and preparation for the Annual Meeting to be held in February• Discuss/develop/implement recruitment strategy to fill vacant seats• Coordinate outreach/public awareness efforts to educate and engage the community about the Commission and promote access to HIV prevention, care, and support services• Receive updates from Caucuses and provide oversight and guidance to ensure alignment with Commission priorities, community engagement goals, and integrated planning activities
<p>February 25, 2027 10am-12pm</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Draft 2027-28 committee workplan and meeting calendar• Translate lessons learned into priorities and recommendations for the upcoming Program Year workplan• Confirm recommended Bylaws or policy updates to advance for Commission consideration, as appropriate• Align membership, training, mentorship, and community engagement activities with upcoming Program Year priorities• Finalize and submit committee contributions, recommendations, and highlights for inclusion in the COH’s Executive Office (EO) BOS Annual Report



2026 - 2027 Training Schedule

(Subject to change)

To meet the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP) Part A requirements, the Commission on HIV must provide appropriate orientation and annual training that enables members to be fully active participants and to fulfill their legislative responsibilities. Training sessions will educate members to understand their roles, responsibilities, and expectations for participation, how work is undertaken, and how formal decisions are made.

- Training sessions listed below are **mandatory** for all Commissioners, Alternates, and Committee-only members. Additional sessions on topics not listed may be included as appropriate.
- Training sessions are open to the public.
- Training sessions will be held virtually, unless otherwise noted.
- Training session recordings will be made available on our [website](#).
- Certificates of Completion will be provided and attendance will be recorded.
- For questions or assistance, contact Commission staff at hivcomm@lachiv.org.

CLICK ON THE TRAINING TOPIC TO REGISTER

TRAINING TITLE	DATE AND TIME
Commission on HIV Orientation	April 9, 2026 9am – 3pm (in person)
<u>Co-Chair Orientation & Leadership Development</u>	May 20, 2026 12pm - 1pm
<u>Needs Assessment Overview and Priority Setting and Resource Allocation (PSRA)</u>	June 3, 2026 12pm – 1pm
<u>Service Standards Overview and Development</u>	July 22, 2026 12pm – 1pm
Data Related Trainings	Summer/Fall 2026 TBD
Member Knowledge & Self-Assessment Survey	Released late September 2026
<u>Refresher Training</u>	November 4, 2026 12pm – 1pm



DUTY STATEMENT

AT-LARGE MEMBER, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

(APPROVED 3-28-17)

In order to provide effective direction and guidance for the Commission on HIV, there are three At-Large members of the Executive Committee, elected annually by the body, to provide the following representation, leadership and contributions:

COMMITTEE PARTICIPATION:

- ① Serve as a member of the Commission's Executive and Operations Committees, and participates, as necessary, in Committee meetings, work groups and other activities.
- ② As a standing member of the Executive Committee, fill a critical leadership role for the Commission; participation on the Executive Committee requires involvement in key Commission decision-making:
 - Setting the agenda for Commission regular and special meetings;
 - Advocating Commission's interests at public events and activities;
 - Voting and determining urgent action between Commission meetings;
 - Forwarding and referring matters of substance to and from other Committees and to and from the Commission;
 - Arbitrating final decisions on Commission-level grievances and complaints;
 - Discussing and dialoguing on a wide range of issues of concern to the HIV/AIDS community, related to Commission and County procedure, and involving federal, state and municipal laws, regulations and practices.

REPRESENTATION:

- ① Understand and voice issues of concern and interest to a wide array of HIV/AIDS and STI-impacted populations and communities
- ② Dialogue with diverse range perspectives from all Commission members, regardless of their role, including consumers, providers, government representatives and the public
- ③ Contribute to complex analysis of the issues from multiple perspectives, many of which the incumbent with which may not personally agree or concur
- ④ Continue to be responsible and accountable to the constituency, parties and stakeholders represented by the seat the member is holding
- ⑤ As a more experienced member, with a wider array of exposure to issues, voluntarily mentor newer and less experienced Commission members
- ⑥ Actively assist the Commission and Committee co-chairs in facilitating and leading Commission discussions and dialogue
- ⑦ Support and promote decisions resolved and made by the Commission when representing the Commission, regardless of personal views

Duty Statement: Executive Committee At-Large Member

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KNOWLEDGE/BACKGROUND:

- ① CDC HIV Prevention Program, Ryan White Program (RWP), and other general HIV/AIDS and STI policy and information
- ② LA County Comprehensive HIV Plan and Comprehensive HIV Continuum
- ③ LA County's HIV/AIDS and other service delivery systems
- ④ County policies, practices and stakeholders
- ⑤ RWP legislation, State Brown Act, applicable conflict of interest laws
- ⑥ County Ordinance and practices, and Commission Bylaws
- ⑦ **Minimum of one year's active Commission membership prior to At-Large role**

SKILLS/ATTITUDES:

- ① Sensitivity to the diversity of audiences and able to address varying needs at their levels
- ② Life and professional background reflecting a commitment to HIV/AIDS and STI-related issues
- ③ Ability to demonstrate parity, inclusion and representation
- ④ Multi-tasker, take-charge, "doer", action-oriented
- ⑤ Unintimidated by conflict/confrontation, but striving for consensus whenever possible
- ⑥ Capacity to attend to the Commission's business and operational side, as well as the policy and advocacy side
- ⑦ Strong focus on mentoring, leadership development and guidance
- ⑧ Firm, decisive and fair decision-making practices
- ⑨ Attuned to and understanding personal and others' potential conflicts of interest

COMMITMENT/ACCOUNTABILITY TO THE OFFICE:

- ① Put personal agenda aside and advocate for what's in the best interest of the Commission
- ② Devote adequate time and availability to the Commission and its business
- ③ Assure that members' and stakeholders' rights are not abridged
- ④ Advocate strongly and consistently on behalf of Commission's and people living with and at risk for HIV, interests
- ⑤ Always consider the views of others with an open mind
- ⑥ Actively and regularly participate in and lead ongoing, transparent decision-making processes
- ⑦ Respect the views of other regardless of their race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, HIV status or other factors



HRSA REQUIRED SEAT CATEGORY REFERENCE SHEET

For Full Members Appointed to HRSA-Required Categories

All Full Members are expected to follow the general [Commissioner Duty Statement](#), including active participation, two-way communication, committee service, and voting in the best interest of Los Angeles County. In addition, members appointed to HRSA-required categories are expected to help bring forward the perspective connected to their seat category.

How to use this sheet: Members in these seats should know which category they represent, stay informed about issues and trends connected to that category, bring that perspective into Commission discussions, and share relevant Commission information back to the sector, community, or system connected to their seat, as appropriate.

HRSA Seat Category	What this category represents	What this member is expected to help bring forward
Health Care Provider	Providers delivering HIV-related or general health care services, including FQHCs	Clinical realities, care access issues, treatment barriers, service delivery challenges, and opportunities to improve health outcomes
Community-Based Organization / AIDS Service Organization	Organizations rooted in community and serving populations affected by HIV	Community perspective, service access issues, outreach realities, and barriers experienced by clients and communities
Social Service Provider	Providers of support services, including housing and homeless services	Social and structural needs affecting care engagement, stability, and quality of life
Mental Health Provider	Providers delivering mental health services	Mental health needs, behavioral health access issues, and how mental health affects engagement in care and wellness
Substance Use Provider	Providers delivering substance use services	Substance use trends, treatment access issues, harm reduction needs, and the impact of substance use on HIV outcomes
Local Public Health Agency	Local government public health representation	Public health system perspective, population-level trends, coordination across systems, and local public health priorities
Hospital Planning Agency / Health Care Planning Agency	Health care planning entities or hospital-related planning bodies	Health system planning perspective, coordination issues, capacity concerns, and broader service system needs



HRSA Seat Category	What this category represents	What this member is expected to help bring forward
Affected Communities	People and communities most impacted by HIV, including people with HIV and historically underserved populations	Lived and community experience, disparities, barriers, unmet need, and what affected communities are experiencing on the ground
Non-Elected Community Leader	Community leaders without elected office who are engaged in civic or community life	Grassroots community perspective, leadership insight, and connections to local priorities and concerns
State Medicaid Agency	The state agency overseeing Medicaid/Medi-Cal	Medi-Cal policy and system perspective, coverage and access issues, and implications for low-income people with HIV
Ryan White Part B Representative	The agency administering Ryan White Part B	State-funded Ryan White system perspective, coordination across Parts, and service access issues relevant to Part B
Ryan White Part C Representative	Part C grantees providing outpatient early intervention services	Early intervention and outpatient care perspective, service delivery issues, and care access for people with HIV
Ryan White Part D Representative / Equivalent	Part D grantees, or equivalent entities serving women, infants, children, youth, and families	The needs of women, children, youth, and families affected by HIV, including family-centered service considerations
Other Federal HIV Program Representative, including HIV Prevention	Grantees of other federal HIV programs, including prevention providers	Prevention system perspective, linkage between prevention and care, and opportunities for coordination across the continuum
Formerly Incarcerated Person with HIV	Individuals with HIV who were formerly incarcerated and released within the prior 3 years	Reentry realities, continuity of care needs, structural barriers, stigma, and justice-involved community perspective

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Respondent

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Contact Information

1. First and Last Name *

Iana Kolpakova

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3. Home Address *

Example: 510 S. Vermont Ave

[REDACTED]

4. City/Town *

Glendale

Enter your answer

5. State *

CA

Enter your answer

6. ZIP/Postal Code *

91204

Please enter at least 5 characters

7. Please confirm whether you have reliable, ongoing access to email, as this will be the Commission's primary means of communication. *

- Yes
 No

8. Primary Email address *

Please enter an email

9. Primary Phone Number *

Please enter at least 10 characters

10. Are you currently employed? *

- Yes
 No

11. Please state the name and location of your employer

Optional

LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION ON HIV OVERVIEW

The Los Angeles County Commission on HIV serves as the local planning council responsible for the planning, allocation, coordination, and delivery of HIV/AIDS care and prevention services. The Commission is composed of 32 members appointed by the Board of Supervisors, representing a diverse cross-section of providers, consumers, and community stakeholders. Notably, 33% of members are persons living with HIV who are consumers of services funded through the federal Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program. To learn more about the Commission on HIV, please visit our website at <https://hiv.lacounty.gov>

12. Are you applying for a full Commission seat or a Committee-only seat? *

- Full Commissioner Seat:** Voting member appointed by the Board of Supervisors
- Committee-only Seat:** Voting member of assigned committee only; Appointment by Board of Supervisors not required.

13. Please indicate which Committee. *

- Membership and Community Engagement Committee:** Leads outreach, recruitment, onboarding, and community engagement efforts.
- Planning, Priorities, and Allocations Committee:** Guides service priorities, funding recommendations, and planning decisions.
- Standards and Best Practices Committee:** Reviews and updates service standards and best practices to ensure effectiveness, quality, and compliance.

14. Please indicate what expertise, whether lived or professional experience, you bring to the committee(s) selected. *

Hi! My name is Yana, and I am from Russia. The HIV situation there is actually much worse. I'm probably one of the largest Russian-speaking bloggers [REDACTED]. I started my blog because I wanted to help change society's attitudes toward HIV. I have worked with HIV-related organizations and gained extensive experience in HIV services. I started with field volunteering, delivering food and care supplies to adults and children living with HIV. Later, I became involved in projects aimed at decriminalizing HIV in my country. I also have experience providing peer counseling. I have worked with adolescents living with HIV, organized fundraising events for HIV organizations, and conducted research in gay clubs to identify barriers to accessing HIV services. I have written articles and scripts, created photo and video content, and participated in educational and awareness projects. Because of political circumstances, I now live in the United States. One thing I miss deeply is being part of the HIV community. Today, I run a small business as a hairstylist, but I have also started an English-language HIV blog and have already participated in a few HIV-related projects in the U.S. My social media: TikTok (Russian): @livehiv TikTok (English): @live_hiv Instagram: @livehiv

15. Have you ever served on an advisory board? *

Examples: Planning Body/Council, or a Community Advisory Board

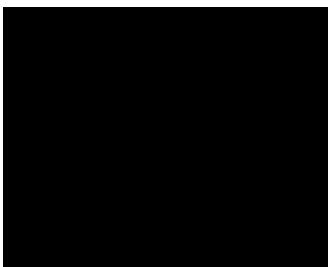
- Yes
- No

16. Were you recommended by an individual or organization? *

- Yes
- No

17. What is your HIV status? *

*Applicants for the Commission on HIV or its committees are **not required** to provide personal health information, including HIV status. Responses to this question will be kept confidential.*



18. Are you a parent, guardian, or direct caregiver of a child with HIV under 19? *

- Yes
- No
- Prefer not to answer

19. Do you use or receive Ryan White Program Part A HIV services in Los Angeles County? *

The Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program is a federal program under the Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA) that supports a variety of free or low-cost services for people living with HIV in the United States. Eligible people living with HIV receive medical care, HIV medications, and other support services to help them remain in care and achieve viral suppression.

- Yes, I use or receive Ryan White Program Part A services in Los Angeles County
- No, I do not use or receive Ryan white Program Part A services in Los Angeles County
- I am not sure/I need assistance to determine

20. Do you use or receive HIV prevention services in Los Angeles County? *

HIV prevention services can include:

- HIV testing
- HIV/STI health education/risk reduction counseling
- Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP)
- Post-Exposure Prophylaxis (PEP)
- Condoms
- Sterile syringes and other harm reduction services

- Yes, I use and/or receive HIV prevention services in Los Angeles County
- No, I do not use or receive HIV prevention services in Los Angeles County
- I am not sure/ I need assistance to determine

21. Are you affiliated with a Ryan White Program-funded agency? *

*Affiliated is defined as a person who is either a board member, employee, or a consultant of an agency who receives Ryan White Program funding through the Los Angeles County Division on STD and HIV programs (DHSP). Volunteers are considered unaffiliated. **If employed by a Ryan White Program-funded agency, you must provide a letter of support from your employer.***

- Yes
- No
- I am not sure/ I need assistance to determine

22. Are you affiliated with a CDC-funded agency? *

Affiliated is defined as one who is either a board member, employee, or a consultant of an agency who receives funding through the Los Angeles County Division on STD and HIV programs (DHSP). Volunteers are considered unaffiliated.

- Yes
- No
- I am not sure/ I need assistance to determine

Demographic Information and Representation

The Commission is composed of 32 members appointed by the Board of Supervisors and represent a broad and diverse group of providers, consumers, and stakeholders. The following questions will be used to determine membership eligibility, seat assignment, and to ensure federally mandated reflectiveness and representation requirements are met.

23. Please select your age range from the options below *

- Under 12 years old
- 13 to 19
- 20 to 29
- 30 to 39
- 40 to 49
- 50 to 59
- 60 and over

24. What is your gender identity? *

If your gender identity is not listed below, please use the "other" space to share how you identify.

- Woman
- Man
- Trans Woman
- Trans Man
- Non-Binary/ Gender Non-Conforming
- Prefer not to say
- Other

25. Race/Ethnicity **Please select all that apply** *

If your Race/Ethnicity is not listed below, please use the "other" space to share how you identify.

- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Asian
- Black or African American
- Hispanic or Latinx
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- White or Caucasian
- Multi-Race
- Bashkir (indigenous population of modern Russia)

26. Are you a member of a federally recognized American Indian Nation or Native Alaskan village? *

- Yes
- No

27. Please indicate which Supervisorial District(s) you work, live, and/or receive HIV prevention, care and/or treatment services. *

- Supervisorial District 1** (Hilda Solis)
- Supervisorial District 2** (Holly Mitchell)
- Supervisorial District 3** (Lindsay Horvath)
- Supervisorial District 4** (Janice Hanh)
- Supervisorial District 5** (Kathryn Barger)
- I am not sure/ I need help finding this information

28. Please indicate which Service Planning Areas (SPAs) you work, live, and/or receive HIV prevention, care and/or treatment services. *

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- SPA 6:** South Los Angeles- *Athens, Compton, Crenshaw, Florence, Hyde Park, Lynwood, Paramount, Watts*
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Please select all that apply.

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- Social Service Provider, including housing and homeless service provider
- Mental health provider
- Substance use provider
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- Non-elected community leader
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- Agency administering the Ryan White Program Part B
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30. Were you recommended by Supervisorial office to serve on the Commission? *

- Yes
- No

31. Are you an HIV Research Representative from a local academic research institution with subject matter expertise in HIV research and data translation? *

- Yes
- No

Unaffiliated Consumers

The Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part A requires at least one-third (33%) of the Commission on HIV's voting membership to be consumers of Part A services who are not affiliated with any agency receiving Ryan White Part A funds. These seats help ensure that people directly impacted by HIV services have a meaningful voice in planning, priority setting, and resource allocation.

- Be HIV-positive and receive Ryan White Part A services
- Not be employed by, be a board member of, or a paid consultant of a Ryan White Part A-funded agency
- Be a resident of Los Angeles County.

32. I meet all three of the criteria above and would like to be considered for an Unaffiliated Consumer seat. *

Yes

No

33. If an Unaffiliated Consumer seat is not available, would you consider being appointed as an Alternate? *

An Alternate attends Commission and assigned Committee meetings and serves in the absence of an unaffiliated consumer member with voting privileges in that capacity only. Occupying an Alternate seat is a great way to learn about the Commission and build capacity without the pressures of being a full member.

Yes

No

34. **Applicants for the Commission on HIV or its committees are not required to provide personal health information, including HIV status.** However, in order to be considered for membership as an "unaffiliated consumer," a person's HIV status must be publicly disclosed. *

I voluntarily acknowledge that I am living with HIV and authorize the public disclosure of my HIV status to the Los Angeles County Commission on HIV and understand that it may become part of public record.

I choose not to disclose my HIV status. I understand that I will still be considered for membership on the Los Angeles County Commission on HIV in other (non-consumer) membership categories, provided there is an open seat.

Additional Information

Please provide detailed information so that we may assess your interest in, knowledge of, and commitment to the Commission on HIV.

35. Are you able to commit approximately 5-12 hours a month to the Commission, including preparing for meetings, attending **in-person** meetings, completing mandatory trainings, and other related activities? *

Yes

No

36. Please tell us more about why you wish to serve on the Los Angeles County Commission on HIV or one of its committees. *

I'd really like to better understand how the service system works in the United States. I'm willing to learn. And also, first of all, I have a strong desire to help people and make their lives better.

37. Describe your community involvement. Please identify the organizations or agencies you have served and your participation or membership. Include your activities, responsibilities, accomplishments, and any boards/commissions on which you have served. *

Hi! My name is Yana, and I am from Russia.

The HIV situation there is actually much worse. I'm probably one of the largest Russian-speaking bloggers openly living with HIV. I started my blog because I wanted to help change society's attitudes toward HIV.

I have worked with HIV-related organizations and gained extensive experience in HIV services. I started with field volunteering, delivering food and care supplies to adults and children living with HIV. Later, I became involved in projects aimed at decriminalizing HIV in my country.

I also have experience providing peer counseling. I have worked with adolescents living with HIV, organized fundraising events for HIV organizations, and conducted research in gay clubs to identify barriers to accessing HIV services. I have written articles and scripts, created photo and video content, and participated in educational and awareness projects.

Because of political circumstances, I now live in the United States. One thing I miss deeply is being part of the HIV community. Today, I run a small business as a hairstylist, but I have also started an English-language HIV blog and have already participated in a few HIV-related projects in the U.S.

My social media:

TikTok (Russian): @livehiv

TikTok (English): @live_hiv

Instagram: @livehiv

Unfortunately, I realize that most of these names may not mean much to you.

But

I have worked with the private clinic H-Clinic, the AIDS Center Foundation, Focus Media, humanitarian projects, an independent activist movement that reports medication shortages, the EVA Association for Socially Significant Diseases, Svetlana Izambayeva's foundation, and many other organizations.

38. How prepared are you to serve on the Commission? *

Very prepared: Well-informed on the Commission's work

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39. Do you require reasonable accommodations to participate on the Commission? *

Yes

No

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Please select 2 options.

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Application Submission

42. **I commit to:**

- Participate in Commission and assigned committee meetings from beginning to adjournment.
- Prepare for each meeting by carefully reading all pre-distributed materials.
- Provide information regarding needs and priorities.
- Make recommendations considering the community needs and data not my special interests or personal perspectives.
- Disclose any conflicts of interest I may have relative to issues that come before the Commission or committees.
- Follow the Bylaws and Code of Conduct.
- Serve on at least one of the Commission's committees.
- **Participate according to the current meeting schedule.** I have considered my personal and professional commitments/obligations and do not foresee them as a barrier to my full participation on the Los Angeles County Commission on HIV.

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- I certify that all statements and representations made in this application are true and correct. Misrepresentation shall be a basis for revocation of my application/membership. I acknowledge that the information provided, except personal contact information and personal health information, cannot be kept confidential and may be discussed publicly or otherwise become part of a public record.

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Respondent

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Contact Information

1. First and Last Name *

Howard Liu

2. Preferred Pronouns *

He/Him/His

3. Home Address *

Example: 510 S. Vermont Ave

[REDACTED]

4. City/Town *

Los Angeles

Enter your answer

5. State *

California

Enter your answer

6. ZIP/Postal Code *

90012

Please enter at least 5 characters

7. Please confirm whether you have reliable, ongoing access to email, as this will be the Commission's primary means of communication. *

- Yes
- No

8. Primary Email address *

Please enter an email

9. Primary Phone Number *

Please enter at least 10 characters

10. Are you currently employed? *

- Yes
- No

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11. Please select your age range from the options below *

- Under 12 years old
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- 30 to 39
- 40 to 49
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- 60 and over

12. What is your gender identity? *

If your gender identity is not listed below, please use the "other" space to share how you identify.

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- Man
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- Non-Binary/ Gender Non-Conforming
- Prefer not to say
- Other

13. Race/Ethnicity **Please select all that apply** *

If your Race/Ethnicity is not listed below, please use the "other" space to share how you identify.

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- Asian
- Black or African American
- Hispanic or Latinx
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
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- Other

14. Are you a member of a federally recognized American Indian Nation or Native Alaskan village? *

- Yes
- No

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17. The Commission on HIV is required under the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part A to include members who bring specific perspectives, expertise, lived experience, community connection, or official roles related to HIV prevention, care, treatment, and supportive services. For this section, "represent" may mean that you have lived experience, receive services, provide services, work with or advocate for the community listed, or serve in an official role connected to that category. Commission on HIV staff may follow up for clarification, if needed. Questions may be directed to hivcomm@lachiv.org *

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- Agency administering the Ryan White Program Part B
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18. Were you recommended by Supervisorial office to serve on the Commission? *

- Yes
- No

19. Are you an HIV Research Representative from a local academic research institution with subject matter expertise in HIV research and data translation? *

- Yes
- No

20. Please elaborate on your professional experience and subject matter expertise in HIV research and data translation. *

I majored in USC Gerontology school as a graduate student. During my academic year, I start doing volunteer job at APLA Health for HIV group outreach and data research, APLA Health became my official internship company thereafter.

Unaffiliated Consumers

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- Be HIV-positive and receive Ryan White Part A services
- Not be employed by, be a board member of, or a paid consultant of a Ryan White Part A-funded agency
- Be a resident of Los Angeles County.

21. I meet all three of the criteria above and would like to be considered for an Unaffiliated Consumer seat. *

- Yes
- No

Additional Information

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22. Are you able to commit approximately 5-12 hours a month to the Commission, including preparing for meetings, attending **in-person** meetings, completing mandatory trainings, and other related activities? *

- Yes
- No

23. Please tell us more about why you wish to serve on the Los Angeles County Commission on HIV or one of its committees. *

As a member of the LGBTQ+ community, I've experienced discrimination and HIV stigma even though I'm not HIV positive at a young age. As I grew up and started serving the community, I developed an understanding of the HIV-positive group. I deeply realized there's still a huge neglected and/or socially stigmatized subgroup that needs help and services. I would love to contribute my part to help this community thrive.

24. Describe your community involvement. Please identify the organizations or agencies you have served and your participation or membership. Include your activities, responsibilities, accomplishments, and any boards/commissions on which you have served. *

During my academic year, as a graduate student majoring in Gerontology, I started my internship in APLA Health HIVE (HIV & Older Adults) program, to serve HIV positive older adults. My position is to host public health events and food bank outreach. I've created a workshop that educates older adults about end-of-life care mindset, helping them to build a healthy and positive attitude towards the final stage in advance. Moreover, I've attended several HIV commission events (Love begins with me, etc.) as a volunteer.

25. How prepared are you to serve on the Commission? *

- Very prepared:** Well-informed on the Commission's work
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26. Do you require reasonable accommodations to participate on the Commission? *

- Yes
- No

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Application Submission

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Respondent

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Contact Information

1. First and Last Name *

Ismael Salamanca

2. Preferred Pronouns *

He/Him/His

3. Home Address *

Example: 510 S. Vermont Ave

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4. City/Town *

Long Beach

Enter your answer

5. State *

California

Enter your answer

6. ZIP/Postal Code *

90805

Please enter at least 5 characters

7. Please confirm whether you have reliable, ongoing access to email, as this will be the Commission's primary means of communication. *

- Yes
 No

8. Primary Email address *

Please enter an email

9. Primary Phone Number *

Please enter at least 10 characters

10. Are you currently employed? *

- Yes
 No

11. Please state the name and location of your employer

Optional

LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION ON HIV OVERVIEW

The Los Angeles County Commission on HIV serves as the local planning council responsible for the planning, allocation, coordination, and delivery of HIV/AIDS care and prevention services. The Commission is composed of 32 members appointed by the Board of Supervisors, representing a diverse cross-section of providers, consumers, and community stakeholders. Notably, 33% of members are persons living with HIV who are consumers of services funded through the federal Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program. To learn more about the Commission on HIV, please visit our website at <https://hiv.lacounty.gov>

12. Are you applying for a full Commission seat or a Committee-only seat? *

- Full Commissioner Seat:** Voting member appointed by the Board of Supervisors
- Committee-only Seat:** Voting member of assigned committee only; Appointment by Board of Supervisors not required.

13. If a full Commissioner seat is not available, would you like to be considered as an Alternate member? *

Alternate members are a great way to learn more about the Commission without the full commitment of regular membership. Alternates provide support by stepping in when a regular member is unavailable, are expected to attend meetings in their absence, and may vote on behalf of the regular member when called upon.

Yes

No

14. If a full Commissioner seat is not available, would you like to be considered for a committee-only seat? *

Yes

No

15. Please indicate which Committee. *

Membership and Community Engagement Committee: Leads outreach, recruitment, onboarding, and community engagement efforts.

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Standards and Best Practices Committee: Reviews and updates service standards and best practices to ensure effectiveness, quality, and compliance.

16. Please indicate what expertise, whether lived or professional experience, you bring to the committee(s) selected. *

My connection to this committee's work is both professional and personal. Over 24 years in public health, I have built and led outreach programs, recruited and onboarded community health teams, and developed engagement strategies to reach populations that are often hardest to connect with — people experiencing homelessness, those managing active substance use, uninsured residents, and communities of color disproportionately affected by HIV and STIs. In my current role with the City of Long Beach, I supervise a communications and outreach team and have designed programs specifically intended to reach people who don't or can't access traditional health services — including a mail-order harm reduction supply program and public health vending machine installations in under-resourced neighborhoods. Earlier in my career at the LGBTQ Center of Long Beach, I built drop-in testing services, ran community vaccine clinics, and developed cultural competency training adopted by outside organizations and city departments. As a bilingual Latino man who has worked alongside the communities most impacted by HIV for more than two decades, I understand that effective outreach and meaningful engagement are not the same thing. Recruiting someone to a table matters far less than making sure they feel seen and heard once they're there — and that has guided how I approach this work throughout my career.

17. Have you ever served on an advisory board? *

Examples: Planning Body/Council, or a Community Advisory Board

Yes

No

18. Please state the name, location (city/state), and length of time you served on the advisory board, planning body/council, or community advisory board. *

Los Angeles Commission on HIV - City of Long Beach Representative (2 years); Leadership Long Beach Board of Directors - Executive Committee, VP of DEIB

19. Were you recommended by an individual or organization? *

Yes

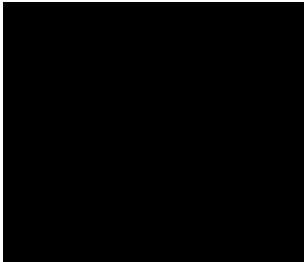
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20. Please state the name of the person/organization that recommended you. *

Jeanette Christian, Supervisor Deputy - L.A. County Supervisor Janice Hahn

21. What is your HIV status? *

*Applicants for the Commission on HIV or its committees are **not required** to provide personal health information, including HIV status. Responses to this question will be kept confidential.*



22. Are you a parent, guardian, or direct caregiver of a child with HIV under 19? *

Yes

No

Prefer not to answer

23. Do you use or receive Ryan White Program Part A HIV services in Los Angeles County? *

The Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program is a federal program under the Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA) that supports a variety of free or low-cost services for people living with HIV in the United States. Eligible people living with HIV receive medical care, HIV medications, and other support services to help them remain in care and achieve viral suppression.

Yes, I use or receive Ryan White Program Part A services in Los Angeles County

No, I do not use or receive Ryan white Program Part A services in Los Angeles County

I am not sure/I need assistance to determine

24. Do you use or receive HIV prevention services in Los Angeles County? *

HIV prevention services can include:

- HIV testing
- HIV/STI health education/risk reduction counseling
- Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP)
- Post-Exposure Prophylaxis (PEP)
- Condoms
- Sterile syringes and other harm reduction services

- Yes, I use and/or receive HIV prevention services in Los Angeles County
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25. Are you affiliated with a Ryan White Program-funded agency? *

*Affiliated is defined as a person who is either a board member, employee, or a consultant of an agency who receives Ryan White Program funding through the Los Angeles County Division on STD and HIV programs (DHSP). Volunteers are considered unaffiliated. **If employed by a Ryan White Program-funded agency, you must provide a letter of support from your employer.***

- Yes
- No
- I am not sure/ I need assistance to determine

26. Are you affiliated with a CDC-funded agency? *

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- Yes
- No
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Yes

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- Yes
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39. Please tell us more about why you wish to serve on the Los Angeles County Commission on HIV or one of its committees. *

Long Beach sits at the southern edge of Los Angeles County, and the communities I serve — people living with HIV, those at highest risk, and residents who have historically had the least access to care — deserve a consistent, informed voice at the county level. I want to serve on this Commission to strengthen the connection between what is happening on the ground in Long Beach and the decisions being made at the county level, bringing updates from our community-based organizations and health department while carrying critical information about funding, disease trends, and resources back to the people and partners who need it most. Ultimately, I see this seat as an opportunity to represent Long Beach residents at a table with the reach and influence to help end the HIV epidemic in our city — not just to be present, but to ensure that the southern end of the county is never an afterthought in that effort.

40. Describe your community involvement. Please identify the organizations or agencies you have served and your participation or membership. Include your activities, responsibilities, accomplishments, and any boards/commissions on which you have served. *

My community involvement is rooted in HIV and STI prevention work spanning more than two decades. For nearly 15 years I served as Director of Health Services at the LGBTQ Center of Long Beach, where I oversaw drop-in HIV testing, STI screening, counseling, and linkage to care for low-income and uninsured residents, while also developing cultural competency and transgender-affirming training programs adopted by outside organizations and city health departments. I produced and coordinated AIDS Walk Long Beach from 2017 to 2020, raising funds that directly supported local HIV care and community health services. In my current role with the City of Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services, I co-chair the quarterly Long Beach HIV Planning Group, which brings together the agencies and organizations working across HIV and STI prevention, harm reduction, care, treatment, and education in our city. I also serve on the Board of Directors and Executive Committee of Leadership Long Beach, where I have been elected to consecutive terms as Vice President of DEIB and chair the organization's DEIB Committee.

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Mary Robinson

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6. ZIP/Postal Code *

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- Yes
- No

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9. Primary Phone Number *

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Yes

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Additional Information

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N/a

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Daniel Walters

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10. Are you currently employed? *

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11. Please state the name and location of your employer

Optional

LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION ON HIV OVERVIEW

The Los Angeles County Commission on HIV serves as the local planning council responsible for the planning, allocation, coordination, and delivery of HIV/AIDS care and prevention services. The Commission is composed of 32 members appointed by the Board of Supervisors, representing a diverse cross-section of providers, consumers, and community stakeholders. Notably, 33% of members are persons living with HIV who are consumers of services funded through the federal Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program. To learn more about the Commission on HIV, please visit our website at <https://hiv.lacounty.gov>

12. Are you applying for a full Commission seat or a Committee-only seat? *

- Full Commissioner Seat:** Voting member appointed by the Board of Supervisors
- Committee-only Seat:** Voting member of assigned committee only; Appointment by Board of Supervisors not required.

13. Please indicate which Committee. *

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14. Please indicate what expertise, whether lived or professional experience, you bring to the committee(s) selected. *

I bring both lived and professional experience that I believe would be valuable to the Membership and Community Engagement Committee, the Planning, Priorities, and Allocations Committee, and the Standards and Best Practices Committee. As a person living with HIV for more than 30 years, I have firsthand experience navigating healthcare systems, accessing services, advocating for my own care, and understanding the challenges and opportunities faced by people living with HIV. My experience is also shaped by the loss of two partners to AIDS, which has given me a profound understanding of the human impact of the epidemic and the importance of compassionate, effective, and accessible services for those affected by HIV. Professionally, I have worked as an Executive Assistant for more than 20 years, where I have developed strong organizational, planning, communication, and project coordination skills. My work has included supporting leadership teams, coordinating meetings and events, managing complex projects, and helping organizations operate efficiently and effectively. Additionally, one of my greatest passions has been community service, volunteerism, and grantmaking. Throughout my career, I have been involved in supporting charitable initiatives and community-based programs throughout Los Angeles and across the United States. These experiences have strengthened my understanding of community needs, stakeholder engagement, strategic planning, and the importance of allocating resources in ways that create meaningful impact. I am committed to using both my lived experience and professional expertise to help strengthen services, engage the community, support thoughtful planning and funding decisions, and promote high standards and best practices that improve outcomes for people living with HIV.

15. Have you ever served on an advisory board? *

Examples: Planning Body/Council, or a Community Advisory Board

- Yes
- No

16. Please state the name, location (city/state), and length of time you served on the advisory board, planning body/council, or community advisory board. *

Los Angeles, CA. Community Advisory boards, Walgreens for 4 years and Bank of America for 5 years.

17. Were you recommended by an individual or organization? *

- Yes
- No

18. Please state the name of the person/organization that recommended you. *

Kevin Nguyen

19. What is your HIV status? *

Applicants for the Commission on HIV or its committees are **not required** to provide personal health information, including HIV status. Responses to this question will be kept confidential.



20. Are you a parent, guardian, or direct caregiver of a child with HIV under 19? *

- Yes
- No
- Prefer not to answer

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The Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program is a federal program under the Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA) that supports a variety of free or low-cost services for people living with HIV in the United States. Eligible people living with HIV receive medical care, HIV medications, and other support services to help them remain in care and achieve viral suppression.

- Yes, I use or receive Ryan White Program Part A services in Los Angeles County
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22. Do you use or receive HIV prevention services in Los Angeles County? *

HIV prevention services can include:

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Additional Information

Please provide detailed information so that we may assess your interest in, knowledge of, and commitment to the Commission on HIV.

35. Are you able to commit approximately 5-12 hours a month to the Commission, including preparing for meetings, attending **in-person** meetings, completing mandatory trainings, and other related activities? *

Yes

No

36. Please tell us more about why you wish to serve on the Los Angeles County Commission on HIV or one of its committees. *

I wish to serve on the Los Angeles County Commission on HIV because HIV has been a significant part of my life for more than 30 years. Throughout that time, I have witnessed firsthand the tremendous progress that has been made in treatment, care, and prevention, as well as the ongoing challenges that many people living with HIV continue to face. I believe it is important that the voices of people with lived experience are included in the decisions that shape services, policies, and priorities.

My desire to serve is rooted in both personal and professional experience. As someone living with HIV, and as a person who has lost two partners to AIDS, I understand the profound impact HIV can have on individuals, families, and communities. These experiences have given me a deep appreciation for the importance of accessible healthcare, supportive services, and meaningful community engagement.

Professionally, I have spent more than 20 years supporting organizational leadership, coordinating projects, and helping bring people together to achieve common goals. I am highly organized, collaborative, and committed to ensuring that diverse perspectives are heard and considered. In addition, my longstanding involvement in community service, volunteerism, and grantmaking has strengthened my understanding of community needs and the importance of thoughtful planning and resource allocation.

As I approach retirement, I am looking for meaningful opportunities to continue giving back to the community. Serving on the Commission or one of its committees would allow me to combine my lived experience, professional skills, and passion for service to help improve the lives of people affected by HIV throughout Los Angeles County. I would be honored to contribute my time, experience, and perspective in support of the Commission's mission.

37. Describe your community involvement. Please identify the organizations or agencies you have served and your participation or membership. Include your activities, responsibilities, accomplishments, and any boards/commissions on which you have served. *

My community involvement has focused primarily on HIV/AIDS advocacy, community service, volunteerism, and healthcare engagement. As a person living with HIV for more than 30 years, I have remained committed to supporting efforts that improve the lives of people affected by HIV and AIDS.

For more than 20 years, I have participated in AIDS Walk Los Angeles, raising awareness and funds to support HIV/AIDS services and programs throughout the community. Over the past four years, I successfully engaged my employer, Saban Community Clinic, in the AIDS Walk Community Coalition Initiative, helping raise more than \$15,000 in support of HIV/AIDS programs and services.

Professionally, I serve as an Executive Assistant at Saban Community Clinic, where I support organizational operations, emergency preparedness initiatives, patient experience programs, and community engagement efforts. In addition to my primary responsibilities, I have served on and supported several committees and advisory groups focused on improving services and outcomes for patients and the community.

I currently support and help facilitate Saban Community Clinic's Patient and Family Advisory Council (PFAC), which brings patients, caregivers, and staff together to provide feedback on clinic programs, services, and initiatives. Through this work, I help coordinate meetings, support member engagement, and ensure patient voices are incorporated into organizational decision-making. I also participate in the Customer Service Committee, which focuses on patient experience, service excellence, and identifying opportunities for organizational improvement.

Throughout my career, I have been actively involved in community service, charitable giving, volunteerism, and grantmaking efforts both in Los Angeles and across the United States. These experiences have strengthened my commitment to community engagement, collaboration, and ensuring that resources are directed toward programs that make a meaningful difference in people's lives.

While I have not previously served on a public commission, my committee leadership, community involvement, advocacy work, fundraising efforts, and professional experience have prepared me to effectively contribute to the Los Angeles County Commission on HIV and its committees.

38. How prepared are you to serve on the Commission? *

- Very prepared:** Well-informed on the Commission's work
- Somewhat prepared:** Informed on the Commission's work
- Somewhat unprepared:** Familiar with the Commission's work
- Not prepared:** Unfamiliar with the Commission's work

39. Do you require reasonable accommodations to participate on the Commission? *

- Yes
- No

40. Each appointed member will be assigned to one of the Commission's 3 standing Committees. **Select up to two committees you would like to be considered for.** *

Please select 2 options.

- Membership and Community Engagement (MCE) Committee:** Leads outreach, recruitment, onboarding, and community engagement efforts.
- Planning, Priorities, and Allocations (PP&A) Committee:** Guides service priorities, funding recommendations, and planning decisions.
- Standards and best Practices (SBP) Committee:** Reviews and updates service standards and best practices to ensure effectiveness, quality and compliance.

41. Would you be interested in assuming a leadership role on the Commission? *

Yes

No

Statement of Qualifications

Applicants applying for full membership are required to complete a Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) as part of the appointment process. The SOQ is required by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors and must be submitted before an applicant can be appointed to the Commission on HIV. Once your application has been processed, you will receive an automated email requesting you to complete all sections, indicated "N/A" where applicable, and submit the form as instructed.

Applicants applying for a committee-only seat are not required to complete the SOQ.

Application Submission

42. **I commit to:**

- Participate in Commission and assigned committee meetings from beginning to adjournment.
- Prepare for each meeting by carefully reading all pre-distributed materials.
- Provide information regarding needs and priorities.
- Make recommendations considering the community needs and data not my special interests or personal perspectives.
- Disclose any conflicts of interest I may have relative to issues that come before the Commission or committees.
- Follow the Bylaws and Code of Conduct.
- Serve on at least one of the Commission's committees.
- **Participate according to the current meeting schedule.** I have considered my personal and professional commitments/obligations and do not foresee them as a barrier to my full participation on the Los Angeles County Commission on HIV.

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I certify that all statements and representations made in this application are true and correct. Misrepresentation shall be a basis for revocation of my application/membership. I acknowledge that the information provided, except personal contact information and personal health information, cannot be kept confidential and may be discussed publicly or otherwise become part of a public record.