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BLACK CAUCUS

Virtual Meeting

Thursday, February 15, 2024

4:00PM-5:00PM (PST)

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| 1. | WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS & MEETING GUIDELINES | 4:00PM-4:05PM |
| 2. | COH STAFF REPORT/UPDATES | 4:05PM-4:10PM |
| | • Operational/County Updates | |
| 3. | CO-CHAIR REPORT | 4:10PM-4:15PM |
| | • February 8, 2024 NBHAAD Presentation DEBRIEF | |
| | • Community Listening Sessions UPDATES | |
| 4. | DISCUSSION | 4:15PM-4:50PM |
| | • Organizational Needs Assessment UPDATES | |
| 5. | RECAP AND NEXT STEPS | 4:50PM-4:55PM |
| 6. | PUBLIC COMMENT & ANNOUNCEMENTS | 4:55PM-5:00PM |
| 7. | ADJOURNMENT | 5:00PM |



CODE OF CONDUCT

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

All participants and stakeholders should adhere to the following:

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

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January 18, 2024 Meeting Summary

Meeting Packet [HERE](#)

2024 Co-Chair Elections:

The Caucus elected Danielle Campbell and Leon Maultsby as its 2024 Co-Chairs, and shared its appreciation to outgoing Chair, Gerald Garth, and to Lambert Talley for his ongoing commitment to the Caucus.

Co-Chair Report

Danielle Campbell expressed her gratitude and appreciation for the dedication and effort that transformed the Taste of Soul and WAD community event into a resounding success. She described it as a "labor of love," recognizing the passion and commitment that drove every aspect of its organization and execution.

Participants and attendees echoed this sentiment, expressing their profound gratitude for the opportunity to be part of such a meaningful community endeavor. They emphasized the significance of coming together to celebrate and honor our Black communities while also amplifying the voices of those living with HIV. The event fostered unity, understanding, and solidarity within the community.

Organizational Needs Assessment Update:

Julie Tolentino of DHSP provided an update on the ongoing needs assessment project. Survey submissions have been received from AMAAD Institute, Essential Access Health, Healing for Hope, and Unique Women's Coalition. Interviews are currently underway with AMAAD, Black Women for Wellness, In the Meantime, and Healing for Hope. Additional input has been requested from Brotherhood Crusade, YWCA, and Minority AIDS Project (MAP). The organizational needs assessment is scheduled to conclude by the end of February or early March, with a comprehensive report of the findings to follow.

Community Listening Sessions (CLS):

D. Campbell provided an update on the CLS workgroup's progress, which is detailed in the CLS workgroup summary. Everyone is encouraged to submit recommendations for faith leader participants by Wednesday, January 24, 2024.

NBHAAD Planning:

D. Campbell reminded the group that consensus was reached to provide a presentation on the activities of the Caucus, previewing the community listening sessions, with emphasis on the faith based CLS, as the Caucus' NBHAAD activity. The presentation will be held as part of the Commission meeting on Thursday, February 8, 2024, at St. Anne's Conference Center. D. Campbell and G. Garth agreed to co-facilitate accompanied by recommended faith leaders as panelists. A flyer will be created by staff for distribution.

Next Meeting

The next Caucus meeting will be held on Thursday, February 15, 2024 @ 4-5PM; meeting information to follow.