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Join us in developing a progressive and inclusive agenda to address the disproportionate impact of HIV/STDs in our Black communities

BLACK CAUCUS

Virtual Meeting

Thursday, October 17, 2024
4:00PM-5:00PM (PST)

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together.

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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-4:20PM
 - 2024 Workplan Review
 - Black Led+Servicing Organizational Needs Assessment | UPDATES
 - 9/26/24 Same Gender Loving Men Listening Session | FEEDBACK & NEXT STEPS
 - 2025 Caucus Co-Chair Nominations & Election Schedule
 - 2024 Meeting Schedule
4. PLANNING DISCUSSIONS 4:20PM-4:50PM
 - Community Listening Session Schedule & Planning for 2024
 - October 22: [Voices of Strength: A Listening Session for Black Women](#)
 - November (TBD): Non-Traditional HIV Providers
 - Community Engagement Events/ Activities
 - October 19: Taste of Soul (Booth Location #P29A)
 - December 6th World AIDS Day Community Event: [SAVE THE DATE](#)
5. RECAP AND NEXT STEPS 4:50PM-4:55PM
6. PUBLIC COMMENT & ANNOUNCEMENTS 4:55PM-5:00PM
7. ADJOURNMENT 5:00PM

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CODE OF CONDUCT

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

All participants and stakeholders should adhere to the following:

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

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



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September 19, 2024 Meeting Recap

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Commission's Annual Conference – November 14, 2024:

The Commission will be hosting its all-day Annual Conference on Thursday, November 14, 2024, from 9 AM to 4 PM at the MLK Behavioral Health Center. A Call for Abstracts is now open (deadline: September 27) for the following breakout session topics:

- ✓ Innovations in Prevention
- ✓ Building Community and Fostering Relationships
- ✓ Best Practices and Creative Approaches to Integrated HIV Care
- ✓ Meaningful and Impactful Planning Council and Community Engagement

If you are interested in submitting an abstract, please submit [HERE](#) or email hivcomm@lachiv.org. Flyer available [HERE](#).

Community Listening Session Executive Summaries Available:

The executive summaries for the [Faith-Based](#) and [Black Immigrant](#) community listening sessions are now available; click links to access.

Same Gender Loving Men Listening Session – September 26, 7-9 PM:

Our listening session for Black & Latinx Same Gender Loving Men is scheduled for Thursday, September 26, from 7 to 9 PM. Space is limited; flyer available [HERE](#).

Women's Listening Session Confirmed:

We're excited to announce that the Women's listening session is confirmed for Tuesday, October 22 @ 6-8PM; location to be disclosed upon confirmed registration. The flyer is available [HERE](#) —please share it widely within your networks and communities. Space is limited; register [HERE](#).

Taste of Soul – October 19:

The Black Caucus will be participating in the Taste of Soul event on Saturday, October 19. If you'd like to volunteer or donate swag for our booth, please sign up [HERE](#).

World AIDS Day Community Event – December 6:

We're starting to plan for our World AIDS Day community event on December 6. If you have any recommendations for programming, speakers, or activities, please email me or the Caucus Co-Chairs (copied in this email).

Next Black Caucus Virtual Meeting – October 17, 4-5 PM:

Our next Black Caucus meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 17, from 4 to 5 PM. If you're not already on our listserv and would like to stay informed, please email me to be added.



Black Caucus Workplan 2024

PURPOSE OF THIS DOCUMENT: To identify activities and priorities the Black Caucus will lead and advance throughout 2024.

CRITERIA: Select activities that 1) represent the core functions of the COH and Caucus, 2) advance the goals of the 2022-2026 Comprehensive HIV Plan (CHP), 3) identify strategies to address the Black/AA Community Task Force Recommendations, and 4) align with COH staff and member capacities and time commitment.

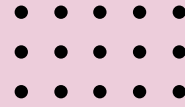
CAUCUS RESPONSIBILITIES: 1) Facilitate dialogue among caucus members, 2) develop caucus voice at the Commission and in the community, 3) provide the caucus perspective on various Commission issues, and 4) cultivate leadership within the caucus membership and consumer community.

#	GOAL/ACTIVITY	PURPOSE	TIMELINE/ DUE DATE	ACTION ITEMS+NEXTSTEPS+FOLLOWUP
1	Organizational Capacity Needs Assessment for Black-led Organizations	Administer a qualitative and quantitative needs assessment to the nine selected, Black-led organizations to help inform and implement a TA program so that Black-led organizations can better compete for County contracts.	2024	Final Report presented by EIS @ March 21, 2024 Caucus meeting. DHSP reported on July 18 Caucus meeting they will reach out to organizations who did not participate in the survey & KII to assess interest in participating in a focus group; timeline pending.
2	Community listening sessions to address the state of HIV in the Black community	Hold candid community conversations by Black folx, for Black folx, addressing stigma and its relation to the faith-based community	2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Faith based session completed (4/26) ● Non-US Born Immigrant/Caribbean session completed (8/11) ● Same Gender Loving Men=September ● Women = October ● Non-Traditional HIV Providers = November

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3	National Black/AA HIV/AIDS Awareness Day (NBHAAD)	Plan activity(ies) promoting health/wellness, lifting the Black community, and addressing stigma and the disproportionate impact of HIV within the Black community	February 2024	Highlight Community Listening Sessions, with focus on faith-based session as a kick-off.
4	Next steps & future of the Black/AA Community Task Force Recommendations	Review recommendations for revisions/updates and determine next steps.	2024	Add a demographic section for those who are incarcerated, ultimately addressing the industrial prison complex.
5	Community Engagement and Communications	<p>Efforts around active recruitment, social media engagement, amplifying other Black HIV-centered communications (ex. A Black women’s focus during NGWHAAD, Black men’s focus during National Gay Men’s Awareness Day (NGMHAAD, etc.), and World AIDS Day (WAD).</p> <p>Communications to serve recruitment and retention. Ex. What does recruitment look like? Do we want at least one representative from Black-led, Black-serving orgs? What are the members’ responsibilities?</p>		<p>Better amplify the Caucus’s work through strategic communications. This would also look at effective delegation and engagement, getting more folks active in the room.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Listening Sessions (in process) • Taste of Soul Participation (in process) • World AIDS Day community event (in process)

Non-traditional Healthcare Providers – Listening Session
Sandra Rogers & Felipe Findley

- General Notes:
 - Having breakout sessions
 - Location:
 - Projected date –
 - Time : an hour – hour and a half.
 - Will send out an email
 - Flyer + RSVP and QR code added.
 - Maybe have the discussion over lunch.
 - How do we incentives providers to come out?
- 3-5 Speakers
 - Family medicine
 - Peds
 - MAT Providers
 - Watt's Health – Different departments.
- Prompting / Guiding Questions / Topics
 - Do you feel comfortable discussing sexual practices with a patient?
 - What do you need to feel more comfortable discussing sex with your patients?
 - What challenges do you face when discussing sex with a patient?
 - Are you familiar with PrEP/PEP or Doxy PEP?
 - Are you comfortable prescribing the above medications?



VOICES OF STRENGTH: A LISTENING SESSION FOR BLACK WOMEN

Join us for a **powerful and safe space** dedicated to **Black women**, where your voice matters. This listening session is an opportunity to speak candidly about your **sexual health, HIV, and the unique health challenges faced by Black women**. Together, we will explore our experiences, share insights, and contribute to building a healthcare system that truly understands and meets our needs.



TUESDAY
22ND OCTOBER 2024



START AT
6:00PM - 8:00PM

***IN-PERSON; LOCATION WILL BE DISCLOSED
UPON CONFIRMED REGISTRATION**

REGISTER NOW



EventBrite
<https://tinyurl.com/3hvv3w97>

WHAT TO EXPECT:

- **Open, respectful, and confidential dialogue**
- **\$50 Visa gift cards, food, and resources provided**
- **Child watch services available**
- **Space is limited; RSVP required**

These sessions are supported by the Los Angeles County Commission on HIV Black Caucus with generous funding support by UCLA-CDU Center for AIDS Research [Grant AI15250; PI Campbell]

— SAVE THE DATE —

**Los Angeles County Commission on HIV
Black Caucus**

OUR STORIES, OUR STRENGTH:
ELEVATING BLACK LIVES ON
WORLD AIDS DAY

WORLD AIDS
DAY
DEC 6 2024

Join the **Los Angeles County Commission on HIV Black Caucus** for a community-wide event commemorating **World AIDS Day** at Charles Drew University. The program begins at 10:00AM.

Let's come together to honor our stories, build strength, and uplift Black lives in the fight against HIV.





2024 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Bold Transformation to Confront and End HIV

November 14, 2024
9am to 4pm

MLK Behavioral Health Center
12021 S. Wilmington Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90059

Register [HERE](#) or
scan the QR code



Hear from local and national experts and leaders

Afternoon breakout sessions on prevention, care, and community engagement

Breakfast and lunch

LEARN AND ENGAGE FOR ACTION

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