



WHO WE ARE, WHAT WE DO & WHY IT IS IMPORTANT

SPA 4 Service Provider Network (SPN) Meeting
October 18, 2022



WHO ARE WE?

The Commission on HIV is the local integrated HIV/STD prevention and care community planning body for Los Angeles County. Planning bodies are federally required in order to receive Ryan White funding for HIV/AIDS services.

The Commission advises the Division of HIV and STD Programs (DHSP) on how to prevent and reduce HIV infections via the integrated HIV plan (aka Comprehensive HIV Plan or CHP).

The Commission is one of the largest and most diverse planning bodies in the country, with 51 member seats. 33% of members must be living with HIV and use local Ryan White Program HIV care services funded by the County. Members represent and reflect the Los Angeles County communities.



WHAT DO WE DO?

- Prioritize services that need funding and determine funding amounts
- Educate the community on services available in their communities
- Monitor and champion policies and legislation that support people impacted by HIV
- Advocate and plan for better ways to meet the needs of our communities living with or impacted by HIV
- Conduct needs assessments (aka surveys/studies) to determine the needs of those living with HIV
- Share and communicate with the Board of Supervisors “the Boss” concerning HIV-related matters in Los Angeles County
- Actively and aggressively work with community partners to end the HIV epidemic once and for all

WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

As of 2021, an estimated 59,400 persons aged 13 years and older were living with HIV and an estimated 6,800 persons were unaware of their status.

HIV continues to be one of the greatest public health threats to our most underserved and underrepresented communities in Los Angeles County

MEMBERSHIP

Seat Vacancies

Duties & Expectations

Application

SEAT VACANCIES

(As of 10/17/22)

- Medi-Cal Representative
- Part C Representative
- Unaffiliated Consumer, SPA 1
- Unaffiliated Consumer, SPA 2
- **Unaffiliated Consumer, SPA 4**
- Unaffiliated Consumer, SPA 7
- Unaffiliated Consumer, Supervisorial District 1
- Unaffiliated Consumer, Supervisorial District 4
- (4) Unaffiliated Consumer, At Large
- Local Health/Hospital Planning Agency Representative

DUTIES & EXPECTATIONS

Representation/
Accountability

Commitment/
Participation

Knowledge/
Skills

INCENTIVES

\$\$\$. If you live in Los Angeles County and are living with HIV/AIDS, use Ryan White Program services, and are not employed by an agency that receives Ryan White Program funding, you are eligible to receive \$150.00 per month in either cash (County-issued check) or Target, Ralph or Von's gift cards. You are also eligible to receive reimbursement for Commission-related expenses.

Professional + Personal Development. Being a part of a community planning body comes with personal and professional development opportunities to include:

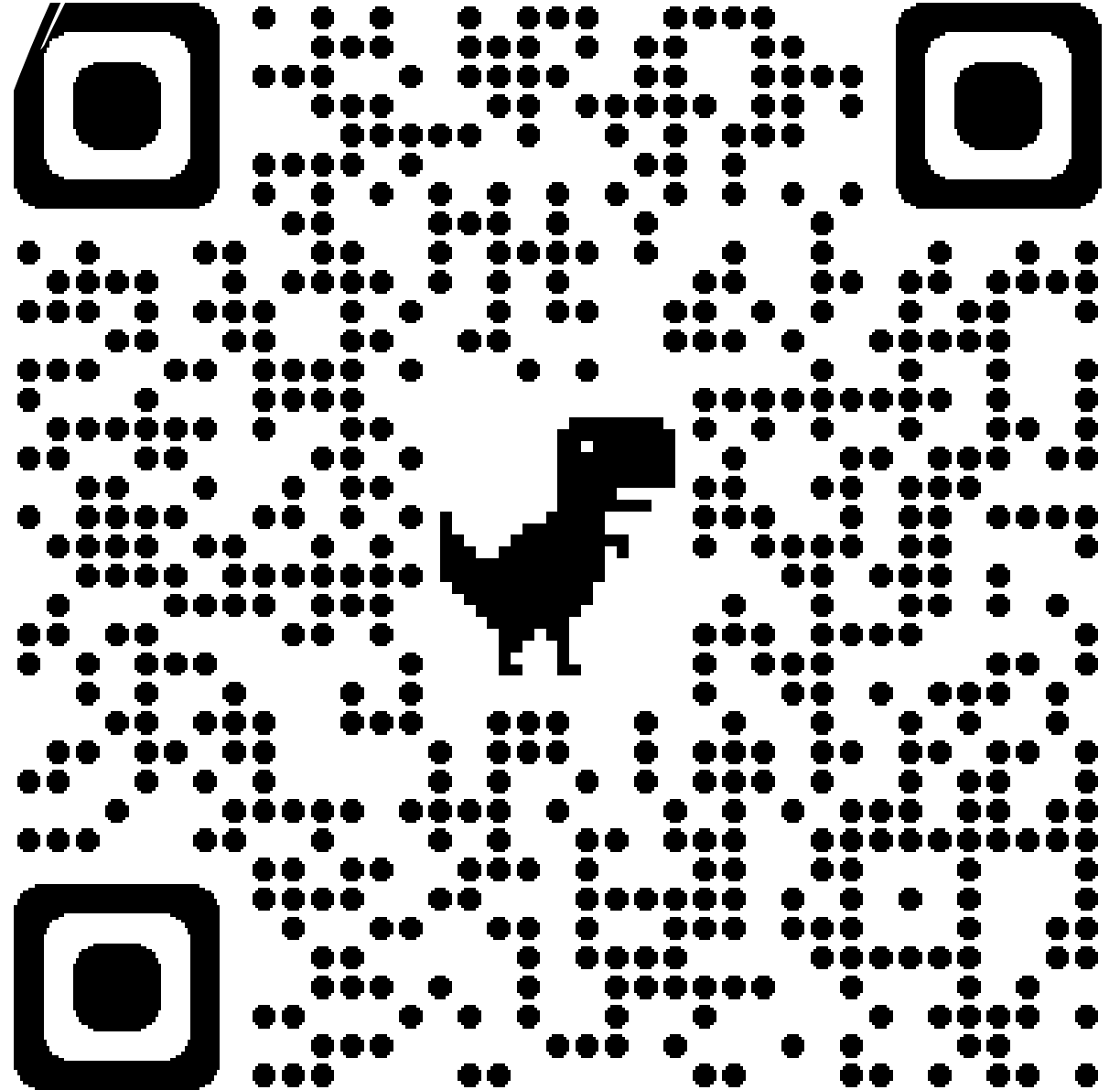
- Building leadership skills and empowering those around you
- Working with a diverse community with different views and perspectives
- Building your resume
- Expanding knowledge and experience in community planning

Networking. Creating longstanding partnerships and peer collaborations.

Making a Difference. Making a difference in your communities by supporting PLWH, getting involved and standing up to stigma brings us that much closer to ending the HIV epidemic once and for all.

APPLICATION

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2022CommissiononHIVMemberApplication>



QUESTIONS?





If you are interested in joining the Commission or would like to know more about **WHO WE ARE, WHAT WE DO, and WHY IT IS IMPORTANT**, please visit our website at:

<https://hiv.lacounty.gov>