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# TRANSGENDER CAUCUS Virtual Meeting

Tuesday, July 27, 2021

10:00AM -12:00PM (PST)

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# TRANSGENDER CAUCUS

## Virtual Meeting Agenda

July 27, 2021 | 10am-12pm

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1. Introductions
2. Co-Chairs Report
3. Executive Director/Staff Report
  - a. Operational updates
4. Public Policy Item – Discussion
  - a. AB 453 – Sexual battery: nonconsensual condom removal
5. Suggestions for Strengthening the Transgender Caucus – Isabella Rodriguez
6. Training |Commission Overview + COH vs. DHSP Roles
7. Meeting Confirmation and Agenda Development for Next Meeting
8. Announcements
9. Adjournment



**VIRTUAL MEETING—TRANSGENDER CAUCUS**  
**Tuesday, May 25, 2021 | 10:00am to 12:00noon**  
**MEETING SUMMARY**

**In attendance:**

<b>Luckie Alexander (Co-Chair)</b>	<b>Frankie Darling-Palacios (Co-Chair)</b>	Laurie Aronoff
Jayshawnda Arrington	Genevieve Clavreul	Xelestial Moreno-Luz
Katja Nelson	Red Garcia Ortiz	Jose Ortiz
Mallery Robinson	Isabella Rodriguez	Amen Ter-Barsegyan
Dawn McClendon (COH Staff)	Sonja Wright (COH Staff)	

**1. Introductions**

Co-Chairs and COH Staff welcomed participants and all attendees introduced themselves and their agency/organization affiliations.

**2. Co-Chair Report**

- The HealthHIV survey closed April 9<sup>th</sup> with an 80% response rate
- Co-Chair F. Palacios highlighted the Unaffiliated Consumers seat vacancies and expressed the importance of having those seats filled; it was also mentioned that committee-only applications are also accepted.
- Attendees were reminded that the Transgender Caucus meets bi-monthly

**3. Legal Services Needs Assessment: Laurie Aronoff, LACBA AIDS Legal Services Project**

- Laurie Aronoff, LACBA Aids Legal Services Project (ALSP), provided a project overview of which their mission is to fight against stigma for the rights of the HIV community and has provided direct legal advocacy to low-income people living with HIV (PLWH). With the help of highly motivated pro bono attorneys, the ALSP focuses on core HIV-related legal services:
  1. Estate planning - wills, powers of attorney and healthcare directives;
  2. Debt relief, including creditor harassment, medical debt, and student loan defaults;
  3. Insurance - health, life, and disability terminations and overpayments;
  4. Employment - HIV discrimination, FMLA leave, ADA accommodations;
  5. HIV Discrimination in healthcare and public access;
  6. Breaches of HIV confidentiality; and
  7. Immigration - U visas, naturalizations, DACA, adjustment of status.
- Currently recruiting members for a Community Advisory Committee (they are not calling it a CAB). Their goal is to have a diverse group in order to build an effective program which embodies cultural humility while addressing the barriers to accessing services.
- Laurie’s contact information is as follows: (213) 833-6776, laronoff@lacba.org

#### **4. BACC (Black African American Community Task Force)**

- No updates provided

#### **5. Updates/Discussions**

- SB 225 – the Bodily Autonomy, Dignity, and Choice Act
  - The April 5<sup>th</sup> hearing for SB 225 was postponed at the request of the author; the bill was still introduced but has not had a roll call vote.
  - No questions were asked regarding SB 225
- AB 2218 – Transgender Health Equity Fund
  - A fund was approved however there was no fixed and/or allocated dollar amount and as of this meeting date the budget proposal was not included in the May revision of the state budget.
  - The head personnel of the policy department at the LGBT Center is planning on reaching out to the policy person at the Trans Latina Coalition to collaborate on drafting a letter to send to the governor. The letter will be made available and those interested can sign their name and mail it to Governor Newsome to help facilitate the funding of this bill next year.
  - It was mentioned that there is still the possibility of funding even though it was not included in the May revision and an update should be available by July's TG Caucus meeting.

#### **6. Executive Director's Report**

The following updates were provided:

- Operations and Executive Committees will meet on Thursday May 27<sup>th</sup> from 10am-12pm and 1pm-3pm. There are two new membership applications that Operations is excited to consider, if approved at Operations they will move to the Executive Committee and the full body next. The Operations committee will also be working on the renewal slate for commissioners whose term ends June 2021.
- Planning, Priorities and Allocations (PP&A) Committee revised its program; 31 allocations are on the agenda for approval.
- Standards and Best Practices (SBP) Committee Childcare Service standards have been finalized and ready for approval by the committee and then the full Commission. It has been a longstanding effort to have this particular service standard fully embedded. SBP held a training in July providing clarity on what service standards are and the minimum guidelines for what agencies should be providing.
- Public Policy Committee finalized their 2021 legislative docket which is on the agenda for approval.
- Human Relations Commission for LA County conducted a 90-minute Implicit Bias training at the June 10<sup>th</sup> Commission meeting.
- At the last Commission meeting, commissioners were selected as liaisons for the EHE Steering Committee that was formed by the Division of HIV and STD Programs (DHSP): Bridgette Gordon, Katja Nelson, Kevin Stalter and Felipe Findley. They will represent a diverse set of perspectives and community experience while working as a team and

serving as a conduit of information and collaborative opportunities between the Commission and the steering committee. All committees, caucuses, task forces and meeting attendees will be able to work closely with them to strategize on how to better meet the needs of all communities served.

#### 7. **Meeting Confirmation and Agenda Development for Next Meeting**

Next meeting: Tuesday, July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021 from 10am -12pm.

- Training: Commission Overview + COH vs. DHSP Roles
- Updates:
  - SB 225
  - AB 2218
  - Status – draft Governor Newsome letter

#### 8. **Announcements**

- May 25<sup>th</sup> – the Wellness Journey in honor of APAI heritage month. The Wellness Journey will host a community conversation around Asian hate, mental health, HIV, the COVID pandemic and being LGBTQ as an APAI person.
- June 3<sup>rd</sup> – HIV and Aging conference. The focus will be on collectively changing the landscape and coordinating services to meet the needs of people living with HIV aged 50 and over.
- May 26<sup>th</sup> from 5:30pm-7:30pm- Planning Priorities Work Group meeting. The group discusses how funds are prioritized and where it should be spent.
- Resource: **free** HIV home testing kits from Take Me Home HIV Test Kits; they can be requested at [takemehome.org](http://takemehome.org)

#### 9. **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 10:56 am.



## Transgender Caucus Workplan 2021 Updated 3-31-21

**PURPOSE OF THIS DOCUMENT:** To identify activities and priorities the Consumer Caucus will lead and advance throughout 2021.

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

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

#	Activities & Lead/Champion(s)	Priority Level (High, Medium, Low)	Approach/Comments/Target Deadline
1	Track implementation and funding for AB2218 (Transgender Wellness Fund)	Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Collaborate with TransLatin@ Coalition and Public Policy Committee</li> <li>Track Governor's Budget for full funding @ \$15M</li> <li>Monitor bill in collaboration with Public Policy</li> </ul>
2	Track SB 225 - the Bodily Autonomy, Dignity, and Choice Act	Ongoing	Monitoring bill in collaboration with Public Policy Committee
3	Integrate mini training at all meetings on how decisions are made on the Commission. Keep training as a standing meeting agenda item.	Ongoing	Training topics: Commission overview/committee functions and relationship with caucuses; priority setting and resource allocation process; service standards development; Ryan White Care system vs other HIV funding streams; understanding housing services, systems, and funding streams; other topics as determined by Caucus members.
4	Monitor implementation of the DHSP Ending the HIV Epidemic Plan; provide feedback. Keep EHE discussion as a standing meeting agenda item.	Ongoing	
5	Collaborate with the Public Policy Committee on policies specific to Transgender issues	Ongoing	

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# Calif. appellate court rules Trans pronoun law violates freedom of speech

Law protects LGBTQ seniors in long-term care facilities from discrimination & mistreatment base

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The State of California Third District Court of Appeals Sacramento Courthouse (Photo Credit: California Courts)



SACRAMENTO – The State of California Third District Court of Appeals ruled on Friday that a state statute requiring nursing home staff to use the correct pronouns for trans and nonbinary patients is a freedom of speech violation.



The Court, in a unanimous 3-0 decision, struck down this key provision of the LGBTQ Long-Term Care Facility Residents' Bill of Rights, created by SB 219 in 2017, authored by Senator Scott Wiener (D-San Francisco) and sponsored by Equality California. The Court upheld the provision in the law that requires nursing homes to place transgender patients in rooms that match their gender identity.



“The Court’s decision is disconnected from the reality facing transgender people. Deliberately misgendering a transgender person isn’t just a matter of opinion, and it’s not simply ‘disrespectful, discourteous, or insulting.’ Rather, it’s straight up harassment. And, it erases an individual’s fundamental humanity, particularly one as vulnerable as a trans senior in a nursing home. This misguided decision cannot be allowed to stand,” Senator Wiener said in a statement.



SB 219, also known as the  
 care facilities from disc  
 gender identity. Wiener  
 signed the bill into law.

or Bill of Rights, protects LGBTQ seniors in long-term  
 mistreatment based on their sexual orientation and  
 passed SB 219 in 2017, and then-Governor Jerry Brown

“The Court’s decision is a beyond disappointing, especially for our state’s transgender and nonbinary seniors. Let’s be clear: refusing to use someone’s correct name and pronouns isn’t an issue of free speech — it’s a hateful act that denies someone their dignity and truth,” said Equality California’s Executive Director Rick Chavez Zbur.

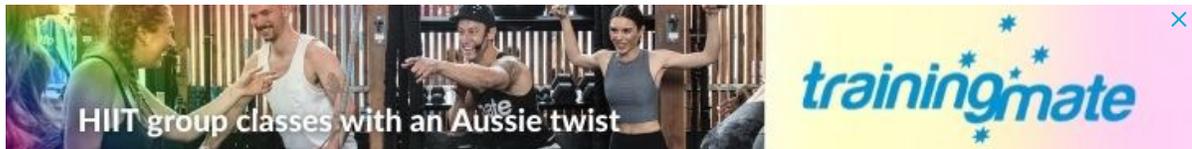
“Study after study has shown that trans people who are misgendered face alarming and life-threatening rates of depression and suicidal behavior. And older LGBTQ+ people face feelings of isolation, poor mental health and extreme vulnerability to communicable diseases like COVID-19. California’s nursing home patients deserve better than this — and we’ll be fighting until this decision is overturned,” he added.

**RELATED TOPICS:** #ANTI-LGBTQ DISCRIMINATION #EQUALITY CALIFORNIA #FEATURED #LGBTQ ACCEPTANCE #LGBTQ ACTIVISM #LGBTQ ADVOCACY #LGBTQ INCLUSION #LGBTQ REPRESENTATION #LGBTQ SENIORS #LGBTQ VISIBILITY #RICK ZBUR #SCOTT WIENER

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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2021–22 REGULAR SESSION

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 453**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Cristina Garcia  
(Coauthor: Assembly Member Blanca Rubio)**

February 8, 2021

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An act to amend Section 1708.5 of the Civil Code, relating to civil law.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 453, as amended, Cristina Garcia. Sexual battery: nonconsensual condom removal.

Existing law provides that a person commits a sexual battery who, among other things, acts with the intent to cause a harmful or offensive contact, as defined, with an intimate part, as defined, of another that directly or indirectly results in a sexually offensive contact with that person. The law makes a person who commits a sexual battery pursuant to those provisions liable for damages and equitable relief.

This bill would additionally provide that a person commits a sexual battery who causes contact between a ~~penis~~, *sexual organ*, from which a condom has been removed, and the intimate part of another who did not verbally consent to the condom being removed. *The bill would also specify that a person commits a sexual battery who causes contact between an intimate part of the person and a sexual organ of another from which the person removed a condom without verbal consent.*

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 1708.5 of the Civil Code is amended to  
2 read:

3 1708.5. (a) A person commits a sexual battery who does any  
4 of the following:

5 (1) Acts with the intent to cause a harmful or offensive contact  
6 with an intimate part of another, and a sexually offensive contact  
7 with that person directly or indirectly results.

8 (2) Acts with the intent to cause a harmful or offensive contact  
9 with another by use of the person’s intimate part, and a sexually  
10 offensive contact with that person directly or indirectly results.

11 (3) Acts to cause an imminent apprehension of the conduct  
12 described in paragraph (1) or (2), and a sexually offensive contact  
13 with that person directly or indirectly results.

14 (4) Causes contact between a ~~penis~~, *sexual organ*, from which  
15 a condom has been removed, and the intimate part of another who  
16 did not verbally consent to the condom being removed.

17 (5) *Causes contact between an intimate part of the person and*  
18 *a sexual organ of another from which the person removed a*  
19 *condom without verbal consent.*

20 (b) A person who commits a sexual battery upon another is  
21 liable to that person for damages, including, but not limited to,  
22 general damages, special damages, and punitive damages.

23 (c) The court in an action pursuant to this section may award  
24 equitable relief, including, but not limited to, an injunction, costs,  
25 and any other relief the court deems proper.

26 (d) For the purposes of this section:

27 (1) “Intimate part” means the sexual organ, anus, groin, or  
28 buttocks of any person, or the breast of a female.

29 (2) “Offensive contact” means contact that offends a reasonable  
30 sense of personal dignity.

31 (e) The rights and remedies provided in this section are in  
32 addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law.

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# Assembly Bill 453

## Stealthing (Nonconsensual Condom Removal)

Assemblymember Cristina Garcia (D – 58)

### BACKGROUND

The latest bedroom trend doesn't have to do with a certain position or technique — and it's not sexy at all. Victims say they do not know what to call the assault and courts have not had occasion to address and name the practice.

“Stealthing”, a new name for an ancient, sneaky practice, is the nonconsensual intentional removal or tampering with the condom during sexual intercourse and its occurrence is on the rise. If a condom is used there is an expectation that the condom will stay on unless there is explicit consent to take it off. Some realize their partner had removed the condom at the moment of re-penetration; others may not realize until the partner ejaculated, others find out when they test positive for a sexually transmitted disease (STD) or pregnancy, and some may never find out. Regardless of when, or if, the victim learns of this breach of trust, this practice exposes them to physical risks of pregnancy and disease, and is a grave violation of one's dignity and autonomy.

Recently, California Department of Public Health (CDPH) released 2018 data showing that STDs in the state continue to climb and are at the highest levels in 30 years. In the United States alone, there are nearly 20 million cases of new sexually transmitted infections yearly, half among young people aged 15–24, and account for almost \$16 billion in health care costs. Each of these infections is a potential threat to an individual's immediate and long-term health and well-being. This is especially true for women who are not only more susceptible to STDs but they also disproportionately bear the long-term consequences of these infections.

First mentioned in an article by Alexandra Brodsky who actually calls this act rape-adjacent, there have been reports of both straight and gay individuals falling victim

to this practice. Deeply rooted in centuries of rape culture based on dominance and control, stealthing is gaining attention in the media. In addition, there are online communities who defend stealthing as a “right” and “train” other men about stealthing best practices, and offer support and advice in their pursuit of nonconsensual condom removal during sex. More should be done to protect men and women from this practice.

### This Bill

AB 453 amends the Civil Code law under sexual battery to include nonconsensual condom removal. Those who fall victim to this egregious act will be able to seek damages and equitable relief from the other party.

### Conclusion

It is 2021 and yet we still live in a world in which rape is prevalent and in which sexual violence is normalized and excused in the media and popular culture. This “rape culture” is perpetuated through the use of misogynistic language, the objectification of bodies on social media, and the glamorization of sexual violence, thereby creating a society that disregards the safety and rights of all individuals. AB 453 takes another step towards ending the rape culture by allowing victims to seek damages from their sexual partner. There has been a lot of discussion on “consent” in a sexual relationship. If a sexual partner agrees to a sexual act with the understanding that a condom will be used and that condom is removed, consent is also removed. This bill will ensure that the victim can seek damages for any medical bills or mental health support required after the encounter.

## **STATUS**

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Senate Appropriations Committee

## **CONTACT**

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# SUGGESTIONS FOR STRENGTHENING THE TRANSGENDER CAUCUS



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# LOS ANGELES HOMELESS SERVICES AUTHORITY



- LOS ANGELES, CA—The Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority released the results of the 2020 Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count, which showed 66,436 people in Los Angeles County experiencing homelessness, Friday. This represents a 12.7% rise from last year's point-in-time count. The city of Los Angeles saw a 16.1% rise to 41,290.

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# HATE CRIME REPORT

- **Anti-transgender crimes rose 64% from 25 to 41, the largest number ever reported.**





# LOS ANGELES COUNTY HIV/AIDS STRATEGY FOR 2020 AND BEYOND





# 8,500

Number of LAC residents at the end of 2016 who had HIV and didn't know it.



## **Ending the HIV Epidemic in Los Angeles County**

*By Utilizing The Right Data, Right Tools & Right Leadership*

- **THE UNMISTAKABLE ROLE OF SOCIAL ADVERSITY IN HIV PREVENTION**

***Racism, Stigma, Homophobia, and Transphobia***

Evidence continues to show that racism, HIV-related stigma and discrimination, homophobia and transphobia have a profound impact on HIV prevention efforts and exacerbate the fear and unease that our most vulnerable residents face accessing information, services, and prevention tools that can keep them HIV-negative



## **Ending the HIV Epidemic in Los Angeles County**

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- **Goal I: Reduce annual HIV infections to 500 by 2022**
- **Goal II: Increase the proportion of Persons Living with HIV who are diagnosed to at least 90% by 2022**
- **Goal III: Increase the proportion of diagnosed PLWH who are virally suppressed to 90% by 2022**

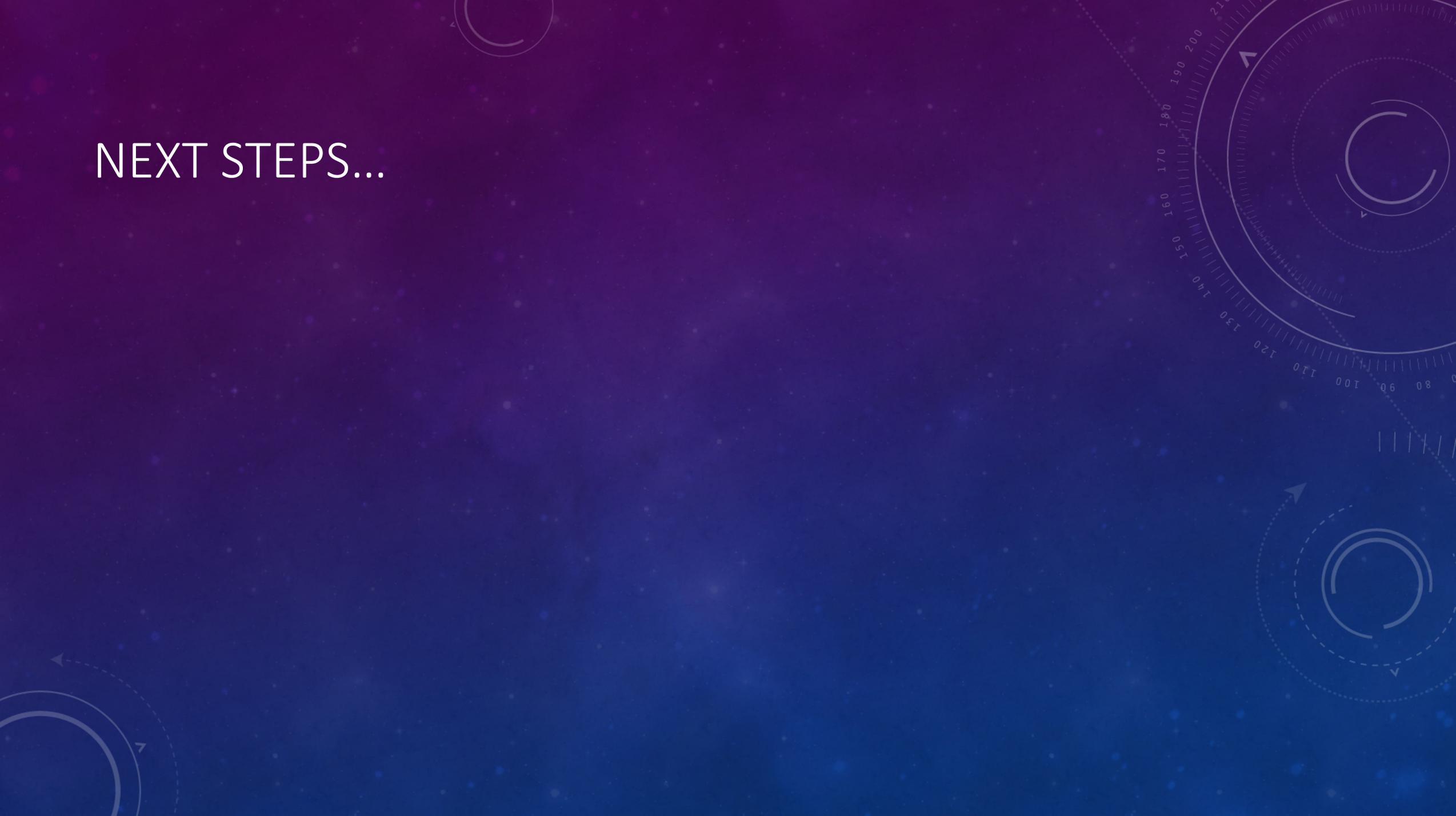
# STRENGTHENING OUR COLLECTIVE VOICES

- November's annual Conference at the HIV Commission.
- Engage with the Commission by having speakers present on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of every month.
- Partner up with other Caucuses or other Bodies, to present on Important topics on issues affecting our communities.
- Attend other Committee meetings, make public comment, exercise your voice, make yourself heard.

# THINKING TANK

- **Being HIV+ & Trans; Queer, non-binary, and all the beautiful people under the trans umbrella.**

NEXT STEPS...



# COMMISSION ON HIV (COH) ORDINANCE: INTEGRATED HIV/STD PREVENTION & CARE PLANNING COUNCIL (PC)

- **Formally became an integrated PC in 2013**
- **PC is federally required in order to receive Ryan White funds for HIV/AIDS services**
- **Housed as an independent commission within the Executive Office of the BOS in the organizational structure of the County of Los Angeles.**
- **Advise 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)**
- **51 voting members; 1/3 must be unaffiliated consumers (UC)**
- **UC: PLWH and currently using a Ryan White (RW) Part A – funded service(s) and not employed by an agency receiving RW Part A funds.**



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# ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

The Commission on HIV is housed as an independent commission within the Executive Office of the Board of Supervisors (BOS) in the organizational structure of the County of Los Angeles.

**The COH is NOT under DHSP/Dept. of Public Health. The COH is under the Board of Supervisors. Staff report to the Executive Office of the Board.**



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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
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The Commission on HIV (COH) serves as the local planning council for the planning, allocation, coordination and delivery of HIV/AIDS and Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STD)



## MEMBERS

**51**

Nominated by the  
Commission on HIV.



## APPOINTMENT

By Board  
of Supervisors.



## TERM OF OFFICE\*

**2 years**

Serve at the pleasure  
of the Board.



## FORM 700

May be subject  
to file.



### QUALIFICATIONS\*

Recommended entities shall forward candidates to the Commission for membership consideration.

**Recommending entities and the nominating body are strongly encouraged to nominate candidates living with HIV disease or members of populations disproportionately affected by HIV/ STDs.**



### INCENTIVES\*

Gift cards or stipends, and reimbursements for mileage, transportation, childcare are available only to unaffiliated consumers.

**No more than \$150 per month as determined by the Commission policy.**



### DUTIES\*

The Commission on HIV is tasked with planning, allocation, coordination and delivery of HIV/AIDS and Sexually Transmitted Disease(s) (STDs) services in Los Angeles County.

**Consistent with Section 2602(b)(4) (42 U.S.C. § 300ff-12) of Ryan White legislation, HRSA guidance, and requirements of the CDC HIV Planning Guidance.**

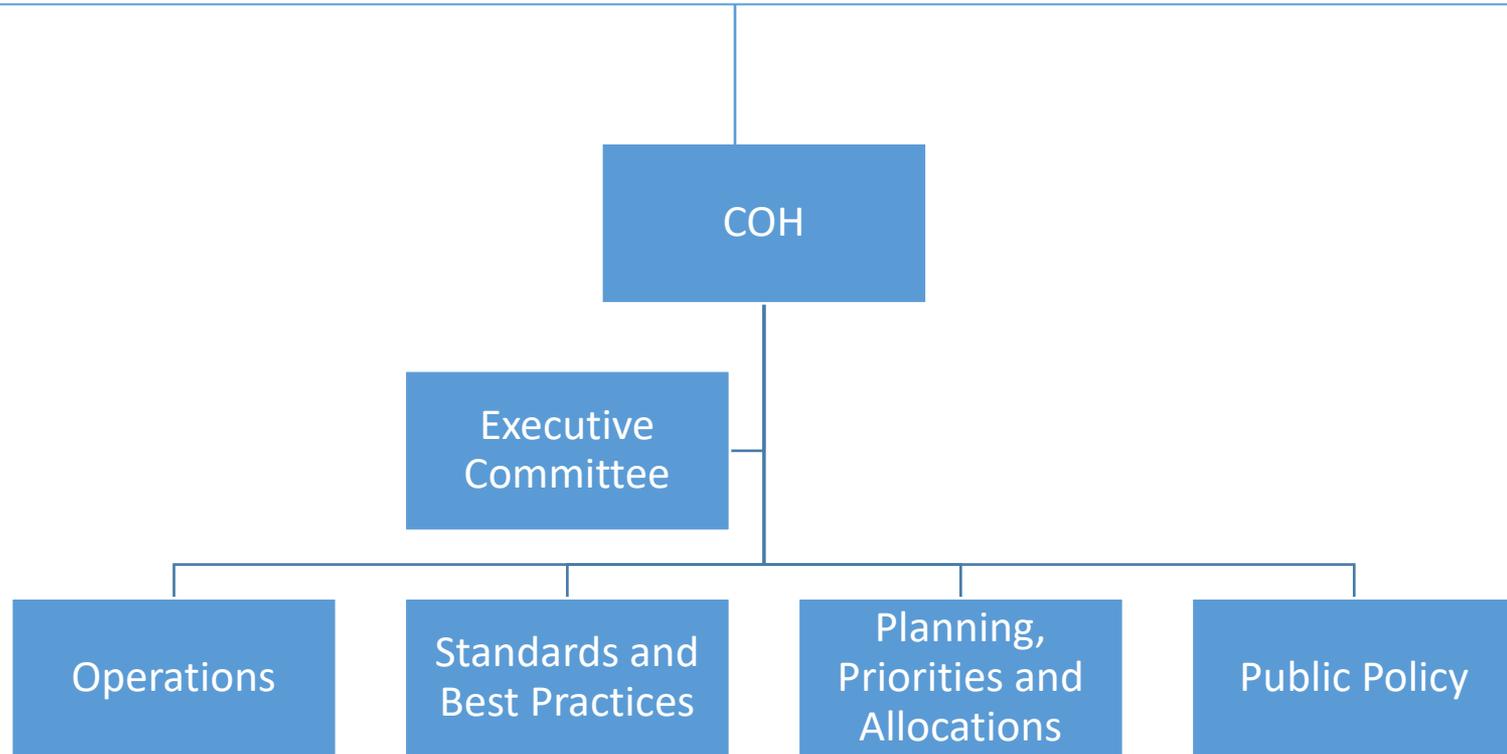


### MEETINGS\*

At least ten (10) times per year, plus monthly Committee meetings.

**Additional time commitment may be required.**

# Board of Supervisors



Workgroups, Caucuses, Task Forces  
Women's Caucus, Consumer Caucus, Transgender  
Caucus, Black/African American Community Task Force,  
Aging Task Force

# CAUCUSES

- Established by the COH as needed
- Provide a forum for Commission members of designated “special populations” to discuss their Commission-related experiences and to strengthen that population’s voice in Commission deliberations.
- With Commission consent, caucuses determine their membership, meeting conduct and timelines, work plans, and activities.

# CAUCUSES

- A vehicle to provide a safe and judgement-free setting where the Commission's caucus members can easily and freely discuss their reactions and experiences, share their insights, and exchange perceptions of issues addressed by the Commission among other Commission members who are more likely to share/ understand those perspectives.
- Intended to develop a more organized voice to ensure that the caucus population's perspective is effectively heard when relevant issues are raised and discussed at the Commission.



# CAUCUSES

## Primary responsibilities:

1. Facilitating a forum for a dialogue among the caucus members
2. Developing the caucus voice at the Commission and in the community
3. Providing the caucus perspective on various Commission issues
4. Cultivating leadership in the caucus membership and population



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# DHSP and COH Roles and Responsibilities

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- DHSP and COH = two independent entities, both with legislative authority and roles
- Some roles belong to one entity and some are shared
- Effectiveness requires clear understanding of the roles and responsibilities of each entity, *plus*:
  - Communications, information sharing, and collaboration between the recipient, COH, and COH support staff
  - Ongoing consumer and community involvement

## COH, DHSP, Roles & Responsibilities

Task	Committee	DHSP	COH
Carry Out Needs Assessment	PP&A	X	X
Do Comprehensive Planning	PP&A	X	X
Set Priorities*	PP&A		X
Allocate Resources*	PP&A		X
Manage Procurement		X	
Monitor Contracts		X	
Evaluate Effectiveness of Planning Activities	PP&A	X	X
Evaluate Effectiveness of Care Strategies	SBP	X	X
Do Quality Management		X	[Care Standards & Committee Involvement]
Assess the Efficiency of the Administrative Mechanism*	Operations		X
Member Recruitment, Retention and Training	Operations		X

\* Sole responsibility of RWHAP Part A Planning Councils

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Manage Procurement		X	
Monitor Contracts		X	
Evaluate Effectiveness of Planning Activities	PP&A	X	X
Evaluate Effectiveness of Care Strategies	SBP	X	X
Do Quality Management		X	[Care Standards & Committee Involvement]
Assess the Efficiency of the Administrative Mechanism*	Operations		X
Member Recruitment, Retention and Training	Operations		X

\* Sole responsibility of RWHAP Part A Planning Councils

# Role of COH Staff

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- **Assist the COH to carry out its legislative responsibilities and to operate effectively as an independent planning body**
- Staff committees and COH meetings
- Provide expert advice on Ryan White legislative requirements and HRSA/HAB/C DC regulations and expectations
- Oversee a training program for members
- Encourage member involvement and retention, with special focus on consumers
- Serve as liaison with DHSP
- Help the PC manage its budget
- Be involved *only* with supporting RWHAP Part A-related activities; COH public policy activities do not use RW funds

# Governing Documents

- **Los Angeles County, California, Code of Ordinances >> Title 3 - ADVISORY COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES >> Chapter 3.29 COMMISSION ON HIV >> [http://lacounty-ca.elaws.us/code/coor title3 ch3.29](http://lacounty-ca.elaws.us/code/coor%20title3%20ch3.29)**
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**Q & A**