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Next Meeting

April 9th

9-10:30 a.m. 800 NE Oregon

April 1 - 7, 2019

Portland Street Medicine

National Public Health Week

Creating the Healthiest Nation: For science. For action. For health.

For events happening in Oregon check out April 1st-April 5th

https://www.oregon.gov/oha/ph/spotlight/Pages/index.aspx











Be sure to join us on Thursday, April 25th to support the HIV Day Center and Partnership Project

View our generous restaurants participating this year visit at

https://www.diningoutforlife.com/city/portland/ https://www.facebook.com/DiningOutForLifePortland/

> 3 Doors Down (Dinner) Al Amir (Lunch)

Besaw's (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

Bison Coffee House (Breakfast and Lunch)

Bridges Cafe & Catering Breakfast and Lunch)

Extracto Coffee Roasters & Coffeehouse (Breakfast, Lunch)

Ford Food & Drink (Dinner)

GARDEN BAR Old Town (Lunch)

Gracie's (Dinner)

Hale Pele (Dinner)

La Luna (Breakfast, Lunch)

Las Primas (Dinner)

Backstage Bar (Dinner)

Bagdad Theater (Dinner)

McMenamins Barley Mill Pub (Dinner)

McMenamins Blue Moon Tavern & Grill (Dinner)

McMenamins Broadway Pub (Dinner)

McMenamins Cedar Hills (Dinner)

McMenamins Chapel Brewery (Dinner)

McMenamins Fulton Pub & Brewery (Dinner)

Greater Trumps (Dinner)

McMenamins Hillsdale (Dinner)

McMenamins Kennedy School (Dinner)

McMenamins Market Street Pub (Dinner)

McMenamins Rams Head Pub (Dinner)

McMenamins Ringlers Pub (Dinner)

McMenamins Tavern & Pool (Dinner)

The White Eagle (Dinner)

Zeus Café (Dinner)

Pie Spot (Breakfast Lunch and Dinner)

Peter's Bar & Grill (Lunch, Dinner)

P's & Q's Market (Lunch, Dinner)

Portofino (Dinner)

Red Sauce Pizza (Lunch, Dinner)

Rose and Thistle Public House (Dinner)

The Original (Dinner)

<u>April is</u>



Check out the toolkit for content and graphics to share on social media in English and Spanish

https://www.cdc.gov/std/sam/index.htm



https://twitter.com/CDCSTD

https://www.facebook.com/CDCSTD/



EOCIL Announces Joint Venture with Blue Mountain Heart to Heart To Provide Syringe Exchange Program (SEP)

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Pendleton, Oregon, March 25, 2019 – EOCIL, is a national award-winning global cross-disability resource and advocacy center that promotes independent living and equal access for all persons with disabilities. EOCIL has two primary functions:

- 1. To operate the Institute for Disability Studies and Policy (IDSP). Through the IDSP's core research and policy officers, the IDSP provides original and scholarly actionable research for disability systems change to enhance independent living, equitable access to services and resources, and universal human rights;
- 2. To provide peer-based services, including HIV case management services, to people with disabilities living in eastern Oregon. Based in Ontario, Oregon, with additional offices in Pendleton and The Dalles, EOCIL serves consumers in 13 central and eastern Oregon counties: Baker, Gilliam, Grant, Harney, Hood River, Malheur, Morrow, Sherman, Umatilla, Union, Wallowa, Wasco and Wheeler.

EOCIL will embark on a joint venture with **Blue Mountain Heart to Heart** in order to provide a Syringe Exchange Program (SEP) for the residents of Umatilla, Union, and Morrow Counties in Oregon. Blue Mountain Heart to Heart will provide prevention and education resources to injection drug users of Umatilla, Union, and Morrow Counties to reduce high-risk behaviors. The SEP will be held at EOCIL's Pendleton office located at 322 SW 3rd Street on every 1st and 3rd Saturday between 12 noon to 4 pm PST. Blue Mountain health promoters introduce best practices for clean injections to clients, and referrals to testing, drug counseling and health care services are made. EOCIL will provide volunteers to be trained and serve as health promoters.

HIV testing and information about Pre-exposure prophylaxis (or **PrEP**) will be available for individuals accessing SEP. Individuals testing positive for HIV will have immediate access to EOCIL's HIV case management services. PrEP is for individuals that are HIV negative and at very high risk for acquiring HIV. By taking PrEP medicine daily an individual can reduce the risk of HIV infection. Additionally, all individuals will have access to EOCIL's independent living services that are designed to promote independent living and equal access for all persons with disabilities.

Blue Mountain Heart to Heart (BMH2H) is a community-based organization whose mission is to promote public health with advocacy, education, harm reduction, and support for individuals across a spectrum of chronic conditions, with a special emphasis on HIV prevention and care. Through our efforts we hope to encourage an environment of dignity and improved quality of life for the entire community. Blue Mountain Heart to Heart has been serving clients and providing prevention education to communities in the Walla Walla, Dayton, and the Tri- Cities areas.

According to Oregon Health Authority, "injection drug use (IDU) is a risk factor for HIV and can be associated with high-risk sexual behaviors. People who inject drugs (PWID) accounted for 18.5% of all people living with HIV in the United States in 2015, and 17.2% (1,299/7,557) in Oregon in 2017. During 2008–2017, 16% (389/2,425) of cases diagnosed with HIV in Oregon acknowledged past injection drug use. This includes men who had sex with men and used injection drugs (9%; 217/2,425), men who did not have sex with men but used injection drugs (5%; 109/2,425), and women who used injection drugs (3%; 63/2,425). An additional 2% (52/2,425; 23 men and 29 women) reported their risk of infection was heterosexual contact with someone who used injection drugs."1

According to Jeff Williams, "offering a Syringe Exchange Program in eastern Oregon has been a HIV prevention goal of EOCIL for over 10 years. Partnering with Blue Mountain Heart to Heart allows EOCIL to attain training and technical assistance from a leading national recognized prevention authority. Eventually, this will enable EOCIL to expand the well-designed SEP program throughout EOCIL's 13 county service area and achieve the vision of End HIV Oregon."

1 Oregon Health Authority. December 2018. OHA 9988 – HIV/AIDS epidemiology: https://public.health.oregon.gov/DiseasesConditions/ CommunicableDisease/DiseaseSurveillanceData/HIVData/Pages/index.aspx

Celebrate National Social Security Month

It's National Social Security Month and this year we're highlighting some of the time-saving features of the my Social Security account. Once you create an account, you'll see that we already have your work history and secure information to estimate what you could receive once you start collecting benefits. With your personal my Social Security account, you can also:

- Request a replacement Social Security card;
- •Set up or change direct deposit;
- •Get a proof of income letter;
- Change your address;
- •Check the status of your Social Security application; and
- •Get a Social Security 1099 form (SSA-1099).

For over 80 years, Social Security has worked to meet the changing needs of the American public. Today, you can apply for retirement, disability, and Medicare benefits online, as well as take care of other business.

Knowledge is power. You care about your friends' and family's future, so encourage them to create a my Social Security account. Celebrate National Social Security Month by learning what you can do online anytime, anywhere at www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount



Oregon's END HIV sponsorship Project:

The state is looking to but our some mini grants this year (instead of contracts) to support activities that help OHA and community partners achieve collective End HIV Oregon goals.

This is the link to a FAQ on it. Keep in mind that that some of the language in this document may be updated to reflect the move from contracts to mini grants. However, community partners can still apply through the link below:

Here is the link to the Sponsorship Project application and website.



In an effort to remain aware of all of our programmatic and staff changes throughout the HIV community in Oregon we would like to collect and share that information

Programmatic & staff changes should be sent to lagermes@ohsu.edu by the last Wednesday of the month.

I will also be emailing agencies to obtain that information but if I miss you let me know.

Partnership Project

Welcomes Legacy staff who will be working with Partnership to provide medical case management to Legacy patients

Angie Utter - Legacy Emanuel AUTTER@LHS.ORG Matt Deschaine- Legacy Emanuel MDESCHAI@lhs.org Laurie Followell- Legacy NW LFollowe@lhs.org Lenora Hamburg-Legacy Good Sam LMHAMBUR@LHS.ORG

News from AETC

HIV Public Health Detailing in Oregon

With support of the Oregon Health Authority, the Oregon AETC is excited to officially launch our one-on-one provider education sessions across the state to compliment ongoing training efforts and engage primary, urgent, and emergency care clinicians in the Oregon End HIV initiative. The goal is individual practice change as an entry point to work with health systems along the HIV care continuum. We have grown our clinical team to support this effort and are privileged to be joined by the following for this provider level intervention:

Melissa D. Murphy, MD AETC Sugat Patel, MD Pat Luedtke, MD Sally Williams, MD Paul DenOuden, MD John Nusser, MD Adam Hoverman, DO

STI, PrEP, and nPEP Community of Practice

As part of Oregon AETC's work with End HIV Oregon, we launched a monthly Community of Practice call in March 2019 for providers living outside the Portland metropolitan area to facilitate case-based discussion around STIs, PrEP, and nPEP. Through building this Oregon provider network we aim to increase capacity in resource limited areas of the state enabling patients to access services where they live while connecting clinicians to each other and resources to support patient success! To join this call on the 1st Wednesday of every month, please contact Ashley Allison at ashley@oraetc.org for details.

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Multnomah County Health Department Care Services





Continuing Quality Services In A Beautiful New Setting

- Westside Pharmacy 503-988-5267
 Current location closing at Noon on Friday, April 5
 New location opening at 10 am on Monday, April 8
- STD & HIV Testing Services 503-988-3700
- Immunizations 503-988-3406
- Communicable Disease Services 503-988-3406
- Health Services Center 503-988-5020

Our current locations will be closing on April 5. The new Gladys McCoy Building will be open on April 9.

TRIMET SERVICE

Union Station (Stop ID 7601 & 7763) MAX Green Line MAX Yellow Line

NW Broadway (Stop ID 625 & 12805) 17 - Holgate/Broadway NW Glisan & Broadway (Stop ID 1997)

77 - Broadway/Halsey
NW 6th & Flanders

- (Stop ID 9300) 2 - Division
- 9 -Powell Blvd
- 44 Capitol Hwy/ Mocks Crest

NW Everett & 5th (Stop ID 8886)

- (Stop ID 8886) 4 - Fessenden
- 8 Jackson Park/ NE 15th
- 16 Front Ave/ St. Helens Rd
- 35 Macadam/Greeley
- 44 Capitol Hwy Mocks Crest
- 77 Broadway/Halsey

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This issue, and issues from January 2011 on, can be found electronically <u>here</u>