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OREGON HIV CASE MANAGEMENT



The Oregon AETC is hiring a Practice Transformation Coach!

As a member of the Oregon AETC administrative team, the **Practice Transformation Coach** is responsible for working with Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) across the state of Oregon to improve health outcomes along the HIV care continuum from prevention through viral suppression. This position will involve coaching for practice change, with an emphasis on quality improvement initiatives that address HIV related health disparities among the Latinx community in Oregon, as part of Oregon's End HIV initiative. Bilingual Spanish speakers are encouraged to apply.

[Click here](#) for more information.

Join the Oregon AETC's STI & PrEP Forum (SPF): A monthly Zoom call for case-based discussion

Facilitated by Dr. Sugat Patel and guests

SPF is an opportunity for providers **outside the Portland Metro area** to discuss STI, PrEP, and nPEP cases with experts and peers on a monthly, one-hour Zoom call. Each call will begin with a brief didactic presentation followed by a discussion of cases submitted by call participants. All participants receive free CME. Our next session is scheduled for **February 5th at 12 PM.**

Cases & questions wanted! To submit, please use the link below or email cases/questions directly to Ashley@oraetc.org

Next Meeting
February 11th
9-10:30 a.m.
800 NE Oregon
Kathleen (Kas) Guillozet, PhD, Watershed Program Director, Bonneville Environmental Foundation

The Trauma-Nature connection: How enviro groups are working with Trauma Informed Oregon, social service partners and houseless folks to craft new opportunities

The Urban League of Portland presents

NATIONAL BLACK HIV/AIDS AWARENESS DAY

We all have a role to play in stopping HIV stigma! Join us to learn how you can empower you and your community to prevent HIV and other STIs.



FEBRUARY 7, 2020

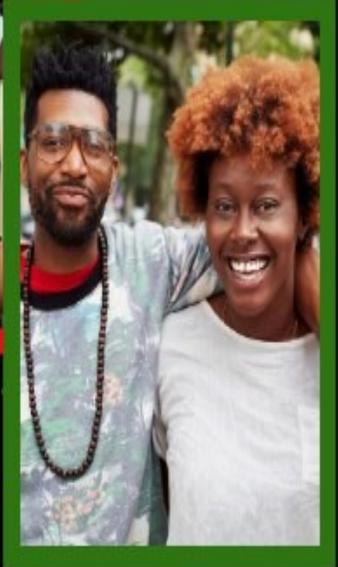
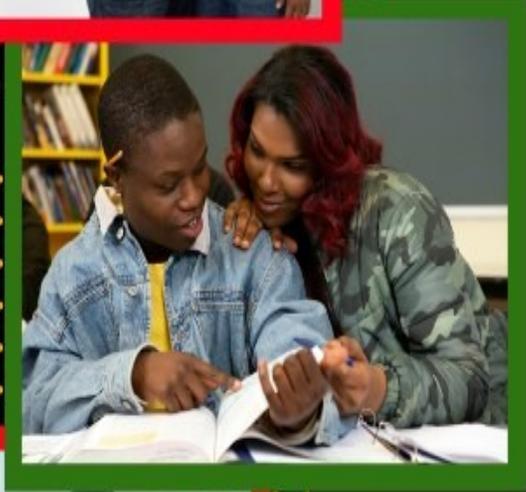
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(Transportation help is available)



On Feb 7 you can receive **FREE** walk-in HIV tests, safer sex and PrEP talks, safer sex kits, food and refreshments, music, raffle giveaways and more!



**#Together4Love
#EndHIVStigma**

Questions? Need language or disability accommodations? Email Robb Lawrence at rlawrence@ulpdx.org

NATIONAL TRANSGENDER HIV TESTING DAY

**Join us Friday, February 14th for the
National Transgender HIV Testing Week/
Day Planning Meeting for 2020!**

**1-3 p.m. at Planned Parenthood 3727 NE
MLK**

ASL interpretation will be available

Call in option:

Dial-in number: 877-256-3796

Guest Code: 598723

**Be part of planning a meaningful
community building event that
celebrates the diversity and strength of
the transgender and gender non-
conforming community!**

Social Security Regional Outreach



Beware of Social Security Scams

Scammers go to great lengths to trick you out of your personal information. We want to help you protect your information by helping you recognize a Social Security imposter.

There's a widespread telephone scam involving callers claiming they're from Social Security. The caller ID may even show a government number. These callers may tell you there's a problem with your Social Security number. They may also threaten to arrest you unless you pay a fine or fee using gift cards, pre-paid debit cards, a wire transfer, or cash. That call is not from us.

If you receive a suspicious call from someone alleging to be from Social Security, please:

- Hang up right away.
- Never give your personal information, money, or retail gift cards.
- Report the scam at oig.ssa.gov/ to Social Security's law enforcement team at the Office of the Inspector General.

Social Security will **not**:

- Threaten you.
- Tell you that your Social Security Number has been suspended.
- Call you to demand an immediate payment.
- Ask you for credit or debit card numbers over the phone.
- Require a specific means of debt repayment, like a prepaid debit card, a retail gift card, or cash.
- Demand that you pay a Social Security debt without the ability to appeal the amount you owe.
- Promise a Social Security benefit approval, or increase, in exchange for information or money.
- Request personal or financial information through email, text messages, or social media.

Social Security will:

- Sometimes call you to confirm you filed for a claim or to discuss other ongoing business you have with them.
- Mail you a letter if there is a problem.
- Mail you a letter if you need to submit payments that will have detailed information about options to make payments and the ability to appeal the decision.
- Use emails, text messages, and social media to provide general information (not personal or financial information) on its programs and services if you have signed up to receive these messages.

Social Security Launches New Campaign to Fight Scammers

The Social Security Administration launched a new Public Service Announcement (PSA) campaign to continue warning people about the ongoing nationwide telephone impersonation scheme. The PSAs feature a message from Social Security Commissioner Andrew Saul.

Social Security and its Office of the Inspector General (OIG) continue to receive reports about fraudulent phone calls from people falsely claiming to be Social Security employees. The scammers mislead victims into making cash or gift card payments for help with purported identity theft, or to avoid arrest for bogus Social Security number problems.

"I want every American to know that if a suspicious caller states there is a problem with their Social Security number or account, they should hang up and never give the caller money or personal information. People should then go online to oig.ssa.gov to report the scam call to Social Security," said Commissioner Saul.

People should also be on the lookout for a new version of this scam. Fraudsters are now emailing fake documents in attempts to get people to comply with their demands. Victims have received emails with attached letters and reports that appear to be from Social Security or the OIG. The letters may use official letterhead and government jargon to convince victims they are legitimate; they may also contain misspellings and grammar mistakes.

The new PSA addressing the telephone impersonation scheme is available online at www.youtube.com/socialsecurity





**March 11, 2020
Portland Airport
Sheraton**

[Register now!](#)

A day-long training event for healthcare and social service professionals, the Meaningful Care Conference aims to promote LGBTQ2S+* cultural competency in health care and social services, share current LGBTQ2S+ best practices, and to develop and diversify networks of LGBTQ2S+ culturally competent health care and social service providers.

The day-long conference seeks to:

- Promote lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, Two Spirit + culturally responsive health care and social services
- Understand intersectional identity and strategies for addressing multi-level health disparities
- Share updated best practice applications of LGBTQ2S+ culturally responsive health care
- Develop and diversify networks of LGBTQ2S+ culturally responsive health care and social service providers

The LGBTQ2S+ Meaningful Care Conference does not offer scholarships or financial assistance to participants unless they reside in rural Oregon as per our funding requirements. Conference volunteers are entitled to one free admission for their service of 2 hours either set up, during sessions, or breakdown. Caregivers are welcome free of charge to ensure the conference is accessible to all voices.

[If you are interested in volunteering, please email us for more information.](#)

[CLICK HERE TO PURCHASE TICKETS](#)

General Registration Fees

\$100 General Registration

\$125 General Registration + CEU

Interested to know how we are doing on the goal to end new infections in our lifetime?

Check out these resources for global, national and local data!

UNAIDS DATA 2019

Access the UNAIDS data tables with the latest HIV numbers.

[DOWNLOAD THE REPORT](#)

<https://www.unaids.org/en/topic/data>



Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
CDC 24/7: Saving Lives, Protecting People™

<https://www.cdc.gov/hiv/library/factsheets/index.html>

Oregon
Health
Authority

HIV Data

Oregon Public Health Division

<https://www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/DISEASESCONDITIONS/COMMUNICABLEDISEASE/DISEASESURVEILLANCEDATA/HIVDATA/Pages/factsheet.aspx>



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.

Cascade AIDS Project

Welcomes:

Zeke Martin-Brunkhart (he, him, his) Peer Support Specialist
Sofia Suarez Vargas (she,her,hers) Peer Support Specialist at HIV Day Center

Quest Center for Integrative Health

Says Farewell:

Lorne James Peer Support Specialist

They are hiring for 2 Peer Positions, one in the SUD Peer and a Mental Health Peer.

[Apply here](#)

Multnomah County HIV Clinic

Welcomes:

Two new CMA's that are starting in January: Rachel Jones CMA and Hilary Hart CMA
New MHNP starting in January : Erica Harris, RN, MSN, PMHNP (3 Days a week)
MAT BH hired: Aviel Forster, LCSW

Bridget Neilson(they/them) Biligual Medical Case Manager

Farewell to:

Willa Kilbourne and Aviel Forster, have transitioned to other roles and MCHD is currently in the hiring process for their replacements.

Partnership Project

Welcomes:

Bernard Wehage– Medical Navigator

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