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We hope you all had a wonderful Pride! We did !!



## Next Meeting

**Next Meeting  
July 10th**

**Presentation  
from Mark Nishi-  
Strattner, NCG  
Senior Deputy**

**Multnomah  
County Public  
Guardian/  
Conservator  
Program**

OREGON HIV CASE MANAGEMENT



## [10 powerful Ways to Use Social Security Online](#)

By Alan Edwards, Social Security Public Affairs



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Thank you to Erin Neff-Minyard, Ed.M., CHI<sup>tm</sup> [eneff@lhs.org](mailto:eneff@lhs.org) for your informative presentation at the Case Management Network meeting last month.

For those who couldn't attend here are some key messages from the presentation.

- ⇒ Hold a brief pre-session with the interpreter
- ⇒ Explain your role
- ⇒ Clarify expectations
- ⇒ Speak directly to the patient
- ⇒ Pause frequently to give the interpreter a chance to interpret
- ⇒ Use plain, living-room language
- ⇒ Expect everything you say to be repeated
- ⇒ Visible, good lighting
- ⇒ Solid background
- ⇒ Look at patient/client
- ⇒ Use a moderate pace
- ⇒ Environmental sounds
- ⇒ ASL is not English
- ⇒ Honor the patients preferred method of communication



## *Portland Area HIV Services Planning Council*

**Interested to know what happens at the Planning Council?  
Feel free to join the all day retreat and find out!  
All are Welcome!**

The [Ryan White Part A Planning Council Retreat](#) will be held on July 13th, 2018, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm, at the CareOregon building (315 SW 5th Ave, Portland, OR 97204).

The agenda includes: an opportunity to provide public testimony, summary of the past year's services, and allocation decisions for the FY19-20 Ryan White Part A grant application. All are welcome to participate, but only Planning Council members vote on decisions.

If you want to attend, please contact Jenny Hampton with HIV Care Services at 503-988-8803 or [jennifer.hampton@multco.us](mailto:jennifer.hampton@multco.us).



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](mailto: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.

### **Washington County Health Department is hiring:**

an HIV Public Health Nurse for the Early Intervention and Outreach grant. The position will be posted on their [website](#).

### **Day Center welcomes:**

Laura Rotharmel-Program Assistant and says farewell to Matt Ferguson– Program Assistant

### **Day Center Updates**

Day Center is discontinuing the Washington County Dinners, and will replace those events with Cultural Awareness themed dinners hosted at the HIV Day Center instead. These will also be held on the last Wednesday of the month.

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## **Partnership Project**

Welcomes Virginia Scott (back)- Virginia will be at Partnership Project up 20 hours week to provide medical case management services

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## **Cascade AIDS Project welcomes:**

- Claudia Adler is CAP's new Bilingual Prevention Navigator, primarily based in Washington County.
- Keith Marker is CAP's new Development Associate.
- Matthew Lucas has been promoted to CareLink Team Lead.
- Will Lay is Prism Health's new Patient Services Coordinator.

**Farewell to** Kaylor Sanders' (Peer Support Program Coordinator) last day at CAP was 6/22.

[CAP is currently hiring for the following.](#) All are filling vacant positions

- Peer Support Specialist
- Mental Health Housing Case Manager
- MAI African American Services Navigator
- HIV Prevention Specialist
- HIV Testing Counselor
- Health Insurance Navigator

## **Alliance for Community Wellness, behavioral health services at HIV Alliance**

**Welcomes:** Jordan Shin, MS, LPC, Behavioral Health Manager (not seeing clients except for evaluations)

Sara Rundlett, MS, LPC Intern, Behavioral Health Therapist

**Farewell to:** Walter Rosenthal, QMHP (replaced by Jordan Shin, MS, LPC)

Anthony Fischetti, QMHA (not replaced)

Currently accepting new clients with OHP Open Card or OHP Trillium CCO, and new client appointments can be scheduled for within a week or two. We have an emphasis on LGBT+ clients, especially trans clients, but we will accept all interested clients.

For the summer of 2018, we are offering free relationship counseling to anyone.

Best way to refer is to call 541-556-1409; just provide client's name and phone number. Emails to [jshin@hivalliance.org](mailto:jshin@hivalliance.org) are welcome as well.

## **Quest Center for Integrative Health**

Quest Welcomes -Johnathon Vasquez starting July 2<sup>nd</sup> as new HIV & Substance Use Peer Support Specialist

There are no vacancies on the HIV services team!

## MORE COMINGS AND GOINGS

### Quest Center for Integrative Health

#### WOW- Wednesdays, 4-7 PM

For over a decade, the Women of Wisdom (W.O.W.) program has been working to foster a community of sisterhood and a safe space to HIV+ women and their children. A Ryan-White funded program, WOW has created an environment in which women are able to learn, grow, and support each other, while ensuring that Wednesday night dinners are never eaten alone.

The WOW program provides healthy and nutritious meals, transportation assistance, as well as free childcare to make attendance an option for all. Dinner starts at 4pm and is followed by a rotating schedule of process groups, workshops, and education nights with featured speakers such as Dennis Torres of Gilead. The WOW program also hosts activity nights featuring crafting and poetry, and an annual wellness retreat.

WOW is open to all female or femme-identified PLWH and their children in the 6-county TGA. To make a referral or more information, please contact Jenya Gluzberg, HIV Services Program Coordinator at (503) 238-5203 x 321.

**Capacity: Always open. Referrals highly encouraged!**

#### Peer Support Services

Quest's HIV Services department follows a model of Intentional Peer Support and offers the option of individual and group peer support services for eligible individuals. Individual Peer Support provides the opportunity to work side by side with our peer staff in navigating the recovery process, as well as finding and utilizing substance use disorder (SUD) and mental health (MH) services and resources. Peers are unique in that they rely on their own lived experiences to offer necessary support to clients and collaboratively work on creating goals around the engagement and retention in substance use or mental health services.

Clients also have the option of participating in a weekly community group for male-identified PLWH. The group meets every Friday 3-5 PM, and is facilitated by peers Lorne James and Preston Gardner. Once intake is complete, the group operates on a drop-in basis and serves as a safe space for HIV+ men who are looking to connect with their community in a welcoming and accepting environment.

Peer support services are Ryan White funded. For questions regarding eligibility, to make a referral, or schedule an intake, please contact HIV Services Program Coordinator Jenya Gluzberg at (503) 238-5203 x 321.

**Capacity: Open for both SUD and MH Peer services. Referrals welcome!**

All referrals, questions, and intake scheduling for the Women of Wisdom (WOW) and Peer Support programs will now go through Jenya Gluzberg either by phone **(503) 238-5203 x 321** or email:

[jenya@quest-center.org](mailto:jenya@quest-center.org)

Referrals to Quest's Ryan White funded Mental Health therapy go through the general intake process by contacting Taheerah Muhammad at **503-238-5203**.

Any questions, concerns, or case conferencing efforts can be directed to Nico Judd, Director of HIV Services at **971-533-9136** or [njudd@quest-center.org](mailto:njudd@quest-center.org)

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