

## A new statewide planning process

January marks the beginning of both a new year and a new planning process for Oregon. The Statewide Planning Group and the Oregon HIV Care Coalition will officially merge to form the HIV/Viral Hepatitis/STI Integrated Planning Group. Members will meet approximately four times annually to make recommendations and develop a statewide plan for HIV, viral hepatitis, and STI prevention and care.

The group will have an executive committee and four subcommittees: (1) Data and Evaluation,

(2) Interventions and Care Resources, (3) Integration, and (4) Membership.

The group will consist of approximately 40 members, diverse in their expertise, geographic location, HIV status, race/ethnicity, and other characteristics. The application form will be released in early October. Applications should be submitted to [warren.r.scott@state.or.us](mailto:warren.r.scott@state.or.us) by November 4th. Help plan and improve programs statewide by applying or encouraging others to apply!

## Highlights from the National HIV Prevention Conference



The OHA HIV Prevention Program manager, Ruth Helsley, attended the conference. She focused on sessions addressing program sustainability, HIV prevention during health reform, routinizing HIV testing, social marketing, condom distribution, and technology as a tool for reaching target populations and for service integration, particularly regarding STD and hepatitis screening. She had much discussion with other state health department staff struggling with drastic programmatic changes resulting from the new CDC funding announcement.

Highlights from sessions she attended include:

- A review of David Holtgrave's "optimization analysis" technique for identifying scale, resource availability, and unmet needs need for program planning
- A peer-delivered syringe exchange project in New York City
- New Jersey's project, "HIV Rapid Testing African American Younger MSM Using Localized Social Marketing"

- A Social Networks Strategy testing project in Los Angeles
- Dr. Sean Schafer's (of our Surveillance Program) presentation on findings from the Medical Monitoring Project titled "Risky Sex: Prevalence and Correlates among Men Receiving HIV Care in Oregon, 2007-2008"
- Plenary session participants voting for debaters addressing pros and cons for:
  - **Universal HIV testing** - the group favored this public health intervention for early diagnosis and fighting stigma
  - **Test and treat** - there was general support for this strategy, but concern about access to antiretroviral therapy given the waiting lists across the country
  - **Community viral load (CVL)** - the group voted that assessing CVL is useful for providing a snapshot of health outcomes among persons in care, but has limitations

## Resource inventory

Tell us about services available to clients in your community. If possible, please complete the survey at <http://svy.mk/ResInv> by Friday, October 7th.

## Upcoming events

### Domestic Violence Awareness Month

October

Learn more at <http://bit.ly/DVAMinfo>.

### AIDS Walk Portland

Oct. 2 at 9 a.m.

Learn more at [www.aidswalkportland.org](http://www.aidswalkportland.org).

### Dinners to benefit Partnership Project

Oct. 2 at Il Piatto in Portland (15% donated)

Oct. 16 at Lincoln in Portland (10% donated)

Learn more at <http://bit.ly/dinnerpartproj>.

### Webinar: New Spanish-Language HIV Testing PSA (Free)

Oct. 5 at 11 a.m.

Learn more and register at <http://bit.ly/PSA-S>.

### Oregon Public Health Association Conference

Oct. 10-11 in Corvallis

<http://bit.ly/OPHAconf2011>.

### National Latino AIDS Awareness Day

Oct. 15

Learn more at <http://1.usa.gov/NLAADinfo>.

### Transgender Day of Remembrance

Nov. 20

Learn more at <http://www.transgenderdor.org/>.

### World AIDS Day

Dec. 1

Visit <http://www.WorldAIDSDayNW.org>.

How is HIV prevention in Oregon changing?

Read our special edition newsletter.

Coming soon!

## Fiscal reports

The HIV Prevention Program requires a Program Fiscal Report from funded LHDs each quarter. This is in addition to the Financial Services Report filed with Dave Coleman in the Financial Services Office. The Program Fiscal Report provides expenditures for each program model in your county's annual HIV prevention program plan, while the Financial Services Report provides an expenditure summary.

For program fiscal reports, keep in mind: (1) Report quarterly figures, not year-to-date cumulative figures, (2) administrative costs may not exceed 10% of expenditures, and (3) reports are due 25 days after the end of each quarter.

Quarter	Reporting period	Due date
1	Jul. 1 - Sept. 30	Oct. 25
2	Oct. 1 - Dec. 31	Jan. 25
3	Jan. 1 - Mar. 31	Apr. 25
4	Apr. 1 - Jun. 30	Jul. 25

For questions on program fiscal reporting, please contact the HIV Prevention Program Fiscal Coordinator Barbara Keepes at 971-673-0573 or [barbara.j.keepes@state.or.us](mailto:barbara.j.keepes@state.or.us). Report templates can be found at <http://1.usa.gov/tmplit> and are available in either Microsoft Word or Excel format.

## Program contacts

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