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Colorado HIV/AIDS Care and Prevention Coalition Monday, February 27, 2012, 10:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.

Members Present: Jeff Basinger, Martha Ann Burnside, Barb Cardell, Jessica Forsyth, Terrence Hughes, Carol Lease, Mary Beth Luedtke, Ruth Pederson, Peter Ralin, Lucio Torres-Florez, Robin Valdez, Irene Vernon, Carroll Watkins Ali, Ralph Wilmoth

Members Absent: Analee Beck, Richard Blair, Chris Grano, Roseann Prieto

Department Staff Present: Bob Bongiovanni, Angela Garcia, Rebecca Jordan-Yehle, Mel Mattson, Anne Marlow-Geter, Rose-Marie Nelson, Richard Weinert

Guests: Nevaeh Anderson, Kim Boyd, Michael Dorosh, Allyson Drayton, Charles Fletcher, Urva Hannigan, Brent Heinze, Ana Hopperstad, Merilou Johnson, Andrea Kuwik, Imani Latif, Michelle McHenry-Edrington, MaShawn Moore, John Reid

Welcome/Call to Order

Peter Ralin welcomed members and guests and asked everyone to introduce themselves. The chair noted that there was a technical difficulty accessing the Sonexis conference call line. [Future conference calls arrangements will be made with another provider and access information will be posted on the meeting announcements and calendars.]

Coalition Member Conflict of Interest Form Completion

Coalition members were asked to review and sign the Coalition Conflict of Interest form, which is an annual requirement per Coalition bylaws.

Approval of November 14, 2011, Meeting Minutes

The November 14, 2011, meeting minutes were approved as written.

I. New Business

a. Coalition Bylaw revision vote

Peter Ralin introduced a proposed Coalition bylaw revision related to expanding the leadership of the Coalition and its committees to include a co-chair, or dual chair model of leadership. The bylaw revision passed unanimously.

The updated version of the bylaws is available on the Coalition website at, http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/dc/HIVandSTD/cohivaidscoalition/Coalition%20Bylaws_2_27_12.pdf

b. CDPHE STI/HIV Section Update

Ralph Wilmoth welcomed Coalition members and guests and provided a summary of the STI/HIV Section's HIV prevention and care plans and activities anticipated in 2012, a review of the changes in federal HIV prevention funding from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and the impact those changes have on the STI/HIV Section and its community partners. The anticipated impact of the federal Affordable Care Act was also briefly discussed. Mr. Wilmoth stressed how the federal funding changes are new to all, and that department staff, community partners, and key stakeholders should all be prepared to address these changes collaboratively.

HIV/STI Surveillance:

Melanie Mattson, the STI/HIV Section's Surveillance Program Manager, provided an overview of pertinent STI and HIV epidemiologic data for the State of Colorado and discussed anticipated 2012 surveillance activities.

Client Based Prevention Program (CBP):

Rebecca Jordan-Yehle, the STI/HIV Section's Client Based Prevention (CBP) Program Manager, provided an overview of 2011 CBP activities, and the program's plans for 2012.

HIV Prevention Program:

Rose-Marie Nelson, the STI/HIV Section's Prevention Program Manager, provided background on the activities of the HIV Prevention Program and anticipated 2012 activities related to the National HIV/AIDS Strategy (NHAS), the Colorado HIV/AIDS Prevention Grant Program (CHAPP), provided information on how funds from these sources are utilized to provide a comprehensive system of HIV prevention throughout the state. Ms. Nelson reported that the HIV testing funds that CDPHE received in 2012 will be directed primarily to Denver Public Health (DPH) and other health departments and organizations operating in the Denver metro area. Doctor Mark Thrun, of Denver Public Health, will be asked to provide further details of the metro area HIV prevention plans at coming meetings of the Coalition.

Ryan White Care and Treatment Program:

Bob Bongiovanni, the STI/HIV Section's Care and Treatment Program Manger, provided background on 2011 activities conducted by the HIV Care and Treatment Program, and reported information about anticipate 2012 programmatic activities, including those impacted by the federal Affordable Care Act.

Copies of all the STI/HIV Section presentation handouts are available here, http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/dc/HIVandSTD/cohivaidscoalition/resources.html

c. Part A, Part B, and HIV Prevention Needs Assessment presentations

Due to an unexpected family emergency a facilitated discussion of the Part B and HIV prevention Needs Assessment will be postponed until the May 21Coalition meeting.

Robin Valdez provided a summary of activities and current work of the Part A grantee and planning council. The main task of the Part A Denver HIV Resources Planning Council (DHRPC) at this time is the development of the Part A Comprehensive Plan for the Denver transitional grant area (TGA).

d. Report on February 23 Community Forum on data collection and client confidentiality Bob Bongiovanni provided an update on the most recent Community Forum. The December 5 meeting outcomes and comments noted a concern on the part of providers and community members related to client confidentiality. Conversely, there is also a desire to simplify data collection procedures, and to ensure a strong continuum of care, and that providers have a more comprehensive system to share data, with client consent, that could improve outcomes of care and treatment.

CDPHE is committed to hosting additional community forums to navigate this process and the focus of improve service provision and to ease the burden that current clients, and providers, often experience trying to receive consistent and high quality care.

II 2012 Coalition Activities

a. 2012 Coalition focus areas and topics

At the start of each planning year, the Coalition is charged with identifying HIV prevention and care items it wishes to discuss further with the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment. Such discussion items will be developed into formal recommendations to CDPHE on behalf of the Coalition. The following is the list of possible topics identified by members of the Coalition.

- Assess the impact of the federal healthcare reform/Affordable Care Act in Colorado. It was noted that CDPHE would like to know what issues and specific concerns are most pertinent to the community. [This item was selected by the Coalition as the primary 2012 Coalition Recommendation Topic.]
- Client confidentiality and record sharing issues noted in the Community Forum discussion
- Methods to assure that people living with HIV in the Colorado *GettingUsCovered* program will continue to receive medication assistance (essential prescription benefits)
- Strategies to increase collaboration between the Coalition and agencies serving persons living with chronic diseases (e.g., diabetes, multiple sclerosis, etc.)
- Enhanced understanding of the Regional Care Collaborative Organization (RCCO) system in Colorado
- Conduct a review of the effectiveness of HIV prevention strategies being implemented and funded in Colorado [CDPHE responded that this is an activity is already included in the annual assessment of the federal HIV prevention funding announcement. Therefore, CDPHE will provide ongoing updates of this assessment at future Coalition meetings.]
- Identify how Medicaid expansion in Colorado will impact people living with HIV

Items selected above will become a regular agenda item at future Coalition meetings until a formal recommendation to CDPHE has been drafted by representatives of the Coalition.

b. 2012 Coalition presentation/presenter wish list

Due to time, this agenda item was not addressed. The Coalition has asked that the HIV Prevention Advisory Committee and the HIV Care Advisory Committee add this to their agendas for upcoming meetings and report back at the next available Coalition Steering Committee meeting.

III Committee and Workgroup Reports

- a. HIV Care Advisory Committee
- b. HIV Prevention Advisory Committee
- c. Planning Collaborative Committee

See attached committee reports.

IV Hepatitis C Rapid Test presentation

Amy Warner, the Hepatitis Program Manager, provided guidance and information on the newly approved Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendment (CLIA) waived, OraSure Hepatitis C rapid test¹. The new test is a finger-stick test, with 20 minute result time and refrigerated controls. This test is only for those who are at-risk, or have symptoms of Hepatitis C. This test is not for individuals under the age of 15, or for pregnant women. This test is more accurate than existing antibody tests. CDPHE expects to have its own protocol in place soon, and this should be available (and trainable) by July 1, 2012.

¹ http://www.orasure.com/products-infectious/products-infectious-oraquick-hcv.asp

Colorado HIV/AIDS Care Advisory Committee Chair Report, Dec 2011-Feb 2012 February 27, 2012 Care and Prevention Coalition Meeting

The Colorado HIV/AIDS Care Advisory Committee met Jan 9, 2012 and Feb 13, 2012

AIDS Drugs Assistance Program (ADAP) Work Group – The ADAP workgroup met on Dec 19, 2011, Jan17, 2012, and Feb 21, 2012. There has been clarification between the components that fall under what has been generally referred to as ADAP. This includes the HIV Medication Assistance Program (HMAP), the Health Insurance Assistance Program (HIAP), the Colorado high-risk health insurance program Getting Us Covered (GUC), and the state pharmaceutical assistance program Bridging the Gap (BTG). As these components have different benefits and formularies the ADAP Work Group and the Care Advisory Committee (CAC) are now using the specific terminology for each component rather than the umbrella term of ADAP.

Chris Holtzer continues to report increased enrollment and utilization of the HMAP. January 2012 saw 1263 clients utilizing the HMAP, 3,333 prescriptions provided, costing \$1,177,327.00. CDPHE reports approximately \$3.4 million of unspent funds due to the pharmaceutical rebates. As this rebate money must be used before federal funds are spent the HMAP formulary was restored to include previous medications that were cut when the program was in crisis one year ago. This includes the addition of insulin, testosterone and contraceptives. The HIAP formulary was also expanded to replicate the HMAP formulary while the BTG formulary remains as it was. The ADAP Work Group also eliminated the difference between Level I and Level II coverage in the GUC program so all enrolled have the same benefits.

Other recommended expenditures include funding for the Northern Colorado Collaborative Care Clinic, funding for HIAP staffing at AIDS Service Organizations (ASOs), reinstating the Screening and Brief Interventions and Referrals to Treatment (SBIRT) technical assistance and training from Peer Assistance and possible site expansion, and dental insurance and benefits to relieve wait-list at Ryan White funded clinics.

There has been conversation about the CAC giving the ADAP workgroup the authority to make decisions about the programs without having to seek the subsequent approval of the CAC. There has not been a decision about this. The next ADAP Workgroup meeting is March 19, 2012.

Medicaid Expansion – The Health Care Policy and Finance (HCPF) office has decided to utilize a lottery system for the expansion of Medicaid in Colorado. Rather than a first come, first served process this lottery greatly decreases the likelihood of persons with HIV/AIDS being approved for Medicaid. The first expansion is for persons living at 10%, or below, Federal Poverty Level (FPL). It also allows for Adults Without Dependent Children (AWDC). This expansion is now scheduled for April 9, 2012.

Medical Advisory Committee (MAC) – The MAC has not formally met while they continue to deliberate the addition of Hepatitis C Virus (HCV) treatment options to the HMAP formulary.

Pharmacy Committee (PC) – The PC met on Feb 1, 2012 and has made the recommendations on insulin and testosterone to be added to the HMAP. The recommendations on contraceptives are still undetermined.

CAC Dual Chair Model – The CAC will request the Coalition to amend the Coalition bylaws to allow for a dual chair model of the CAC. This is in the event the chair is unable to attend all meetings in the event of weather, illness or unanticipated events. If approved by the Feb 27, 2012 Coalition, the CAC will be accepting nominations and voting for a co-chair at the March 12, 2012 CAC meeting.

Task Force on Coordination of HIV Care, Data Sharing and Client Privacy – The first meeting was held on Dec 5, 2011 and was an opportunity for clients, community and providers to meet with CDPHE to discuss the concerns that are surfacing about data collection/sharing and client confidentiality. This includes the software programs used by CDPHE and agencies, as well as the Disease Intervention Specialists (DIS). The next meeting was held on February 23, 2012, and will continue to meet with the intent to ensure that CDPHE gets the data they need for accurate reporting to funders, clients do not feel they are being monitored by CDPHE DIS, and we continue to provide the best level of HIV/AIDS care and prevention services in the state of Colorado. To participate in this ongoing forum contact Bob Bongiovanni and/or Barb Cardell.

Comprehensive Plan and Statewide Coordinated Statement of Need – These two projects need to be completed by June, 2012, for submission to Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA). Part B/CDPHE is responsible for convening all Parts (A, B, C, D, AIDSETC, etc) to complete the Statewide Coordinated Statement of Need. To participate in the ad hoc committee to work with CDPHE to prepare this, contact Bob Bongiovanni.

The next Care Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting is March 12, 2012.

Respectfully submitted, Jeffrey Basinger, 2012 CAC Chair

Prevention Advisory Committee report for the Coalition Prepared by Chris Grano, HIV Prevention Advisory Committee Co-Chair To be submitted by Nevaeh Anderson, HIV Prevention Advisory Committee Co-Chair Coalition meeting: February 27th, 10am

- Nevaeh Anderson will be representing in Chris Grano's stead as co-chair of HPAC at the February 27th Coalition meeting.
- The first HPAC meeting of 2012 was held on January 23rd at the Montclair Community Center.
- All agenda items were discussed except for the item pertaining to future collaboration and communication between HPAC and the Colorado Statewide Prevention Summits, which Chris Grano and Rabeeha Ghaffar facilitate and which is funded by Colorado ManREACH. This agenda item will be discussed at the next HPAC meeting to be held on March 5th.
- HPAC added two additional meetings to the 2012 calendar: March 5th and August 6th.
- A motion to stagger co-chair elections beginning in 2013 was voted on and approved, to provide guidance and support from a returning co-chair with at least one year of experience serving on HPAC to a newly elected co-chair.
- The committee held a discussion where the concern was voiced that the Coalition seems to be skewed towards a much greater membership of care and treatment representatives and a bit lacking in representatives from the realm of prevention if there is room during discussion or public comments at the Coalition meeting, it would be appreciated if this topic could be discussed further.
- The committee requested information from Rose-Marie Nelson of CDPHE regarding the status of the Healthy Relationships/Prevention for Positives funding in 2012.
- A timeline of goals and objectives for HPAC is being developed through meetings and over email, and includes to-date:

Comprehensive Risk Counseling and Services (CRCS) – HPAC would like an update from CDPHE on future plans for implementation of this model

Colorado AIDS Education Training Center – HPAC would like a report (and requests a presentation at the next HPAC meeting) from AETC on said organization's provider training program, including:

- What organizations have received provider training
- How does AETC determine the need for training
- What types of organizations receive training
- What is the scope of work of AETC (how many organizations reached out to per year, etc.)
- What is AETC's strategic plan for reaching organizations that may be more difficult to reach with the education (i.e., faith-based, right-wing, clinical versus social oriented services, discriminatory to certain groups affected by HIV, etc.)

Letter of Concurrence – HPAC would like to interface with CDPHE to determine if/when a 2012 Letter is required, and what the plan is given the Federal changes in Prevention funding

 $\,$ HIV Prevention Justice Alliance – HPAC would like to have greater communication with this group in 2012

Increased collaboration with CDPHE, continued collaboration between HPAC and HCAC – the group would appreciate any opportunities to work collaboratively and effectively with HCAC and CDPHE via the Coalition's activities and any subsequent workgroups that may be created in 2012 to address areas of need.



Colorado Planning Collaborative Committee: Committee Report for February 27, 2012

Submitted by Committee Chair, Richard Blair, and Co-Chair, Anne Marlow-Geter. The last meeting of the Planning Committee was January 23, 2012.

The primary activity of the committee in 2011 was facilitating the development of

- A. 2011 HIV Prevention Needs Assessment (focusing on youth, ages 12-24 living or at risk for HIV)
- B. Combined Part A & B 2011 HIV Care Needs Assessment
- C. Statewide Coordinated Statement of Need (SCSN)
- D. Colorado HIV/AIDS Prevention and Care Plan

During the summer of 2011, the timeline to develop the Comprehensive Plan was extended into 2012, due to new guidance from HRSA and CDC.

Deliverables included the 2011 HIV Prevention Needs Assessment and the Part A Needs Assessment.

The Part A 2011 Needs Assessment Final Report is located at:

http://dhrpc.org/default/index.cfm/planning-council/data-reports/

The HIV Youth Prevention Needs Assessment can be read at:

http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/dc/HIVandSTD/cohivaidscoalition/Youth%20Needs%20Assessment _2011_Final%20draft.pdf

The Part B Needs assessment should be finalized in the next several months. Delay was due, in part, to CDPHE, analyzing data of individuals reported as "out of care," and were diagnosed prior to 1995. Additionally CDPHE has created a report of individuals documented as out of care by geographical regions. The report will be made public upon finalization.

The Statewide Coordinated Statement of Need will be seeking input from individual in March and April of 2012.

The Planning Collaborative Committee will review Part A and B deliverables in March of this year.

New this year, is the creation of the Jurisdictional Plan for the state. A CDPHE intern has research plans from other states. This year the plan must include care and prevention along with documenting alignment with the National AIDS Strategy. The plan is due June 2012. Members of the HIV community will have opportunities for regular input.

The committee is also researching 2012 planning needs for Part A & B. Several of the 2012 schedule meeting date/times were altered to alleviate meeting conflicts.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Blair Anne Marlow-Geter

Planning Collaborative Committee Chair Planning Collaborative Committee Co-Chair