



Health Equity Community Advisory Board

Community Advisory Board Meeting
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Zoom Conference Call

Participants

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Commencement

The CAB meeting began at 09:03 a.m.

Welcome from the CAB Chair & Co-Chair

James Jackson and Judi Patterson welcomed the group and facilitated introductions of leadership and participants via Zoom video conference. See attendee names, affiliations, and contact information above.

SD CFAR Annual Research Day (October 5, 2021)

Dr. Jamila K. Stockman provided updates on how the San Diego CFAR Annual Research Day went. The one-day conference was well attended, and this year's focus was on HIV and respiratory diseases, with a keynote presentation focused on tuberculosis. There were three different sessions throughout the day: 1) a session dedicated to research efforts in tackling tuberculosis, 2) a session dedicated to hearing experiences from folx conducting research on COVID-19, and 3) a session dedicated to hearing about global responses to HIV from CFAR grant recipients who received pilot funding from the international Core to conduct work in international countries, with representation from Uganda. The afternoon keynote presentation was focused on local updates on tuberculosis and the intersection on tuberculosis and COVID-19. It concluded with best practices for community engagement in research.

There were two panel discussions held during the day. The first panel covered how people have had to adapt research during the pandemic. The panel had researchers who had to make changes during COVID-19 and had to pivot intervention activities to virtual, and how they were able to navigate some of the challenges, while sharing their success stories. The second panel focused on community engagement in research. This panel covered best practices for collaboration; there was a panelist from the Health Equity CAB who also participated, in addition to members from the transgender/non-binary CAB. Panelists shared how researchers can better engage community in terms of research efforts and held discussions around challenges and successes in these efforts.

National CFAR CAB Coalition Community Symposium Day of the 25th Annual National CFAR Meeting (November 2, 2021)

James Jackson and Danielle Campbell began a brief presentation on the National CFAR CAB Coalition Community Symposium Day of the 25th Annual National CFAR Meeting, where 156 attendees came to the day. The San Diego CFAR had already set the stage by holding the first National CFAR meeting virtually, paving the way for University of Tennessee to follow in that direction. There were breakout rooms with 10 to 15 attendees. The community symposium covered the following topics: medical mistrust, COVID-19 vaccine acceptance rates in black community, HIV and community, thriving and not just surviving, HIV and aging well, living well as the best revenge, women and HIV, faith-based initiatives, and gender non-conforming initiatives.

Throughout the National CFAR meeting, the topic of mentoring was continuously discussed. There have been people involved in mentoring for 20 years or more from when HIV/AIDS first came to light. It is important to utilize those members as mentors to our next generations, to new investigators, and to anyone new in the community.

Dr. Jamila K. Stockman noted that there was a lot of useful information that was obtained and would set the stage for the next steps. She asked if Danielle could send a 3-4 sentence, short

paragraph to include in the progress report to accurately convey what the next steps are because of the presentation and of the meetings to her and Dr. Eileen Pitpitan.

The next National CFAR meeting will be hosted in Chicago.

Organizational Updates and Announcements

Regina Underwood from the Neighborhood House Association announced that they recently began a collaboration with UCSD. This collaboration, called Leveraging resources to Ending the HIV epidemic Among People of color in SD county, or LEAPS, will focus on increasing the consumer engagement with the Neighborhood House Association's coordinated HIV services program. They will be conducting surveys and holding focus groups for this project.

Rebecca Zipfel shared that she was promoted to Program Manager within the same department but moving over towards the Health Education team. She will not be on the HIV prevention team anymore. Her replacement will join in on the Health Equity CAB meetings when they are hired.

Dr. Suzanne Afflalo announced that the monthly health fair at the Jackie Robinson YMCA will be on December 1st. San Ysidro will be returning to start reoffering HIV and Hepatitis C screening, given that it was World AIDS Day.

Judi Patterson announced that, on December 5th, a large collaborative event by the Lincoln High School, Jackie Robinson YMCA, and Soul Swap Me will be held in recognition of Dr. Milner, who passed away recently. There will be presentations on mental health by Dr. Rick. The event will be held from 1:30pm - 3:30pm.

Future CAB Meeting Presentations/Topics

Dr. Jamila K Stockman opened the discussion on feedback for the format of future CAB meetings as the format has been changed for the past few years. Currently, researchers may present their work in progress for grant proposals or grants that have been funded but need help in certain aspects of implementing their study (recruitment, reviewing study materials, etc.). The CAB meetings would also be paired with a presentation from a community partner to give the CAB an update on the organization and services available. Dr. Stockman posed the following question: Do we all think the current flow has been working okay or are there ways to improve upon the meeting structure?

Danielle Campbell suggested making it a point each meeting to discuss larger CAB initiatives. James Jackson noted that the organizational updates were helpful, so a moment each meeting where an organization per meeting can repeat their focus would be beneficial to figuring out better ways to help each other.

Dr. Stockman wondered if there was a way for the CAB to capture events and create a listing of those events, so that they're in a single place and are updated monthly. Examples could include some events that occur in the community that the CAB may be missing on the CFAR side.

Dr. Eileen Pitpitan recommended taking advantage of social media and creating a Health Equity CAB Twitter handle, especially since CFAR is trying to increase social media presence in general. All updates go on the Twitter handle, and Megan Liang could facilitate the feed as well. Dr. Pitpitan and Dr. Stockman will run it by Liz and Christina.

Dr. Stockman asked if there were any topics or training opportunities that the CAB members would like to be a part of. For example, a few years back, Dr. Susan Little conducted a small training for CAB members during the CAB meeting, with a half hour presentation on HIV 101 and how to talk about HIV. She has also previously done a talk on COVID-19 and other topics requested by CAB members. Dr. Stockman wants to be mindful of any topics that they want to know more about or training that they would like to receive.

Wanda London asked for more information on PrEP, specifically more information on explaining PrEP to people who identify as men and people who identify as women since it may be different. Danielle Campbell suggested that someone from the San Diego HIV Planning Council could come and speak. She also suggested inviting or working with some of the researchers that present on high level scientific HIV research from the CROI Conference, a conference on retroviruses and opportunistic infections. Additionally, there is the upcoming International AIDS Conference in July 2022, so a presentation or report on that could be extremely beneficial to inform future training efforts and discussion.

Dr. Eileen Pitpitan made an announcement about San Diego Sun. She and Dr. Jamila Stockman were awarded a supplement that would be applied for one year of funding to support research, education, and a training program for POC scholars, predoctoral and postdoctoral fellows who are interested in HIV research. They will be accepting some applications for this program, then selecting a cohort of seven scholars who will participate in this new training program. Those fellows could join future CAB meetings, where they could pose some questions about what it looks like to conduct community engaged research and how to include community stakeholders as partners in the research studies.

Dr. Jamila K. Stockman announced the HIV seminar series, where the goal is to provide more knowledge on ongoing HIV research efforts and Dr. Stockman is trying to make sure that they are being mindful about integrating topics that advance the work around health equity in the context of HIV. The upcoming seminar will be led by Dr. Typhanye Vielka Dyer from the University of Maryland on December 8th via Zoom. She will be speaking on some dynamics and the intersection of frameworks and applying it to HIV prevention and treatment and marginalized priority populations.

Health Equity CAB Leadership Opportunities

Dr. Jamila K. Stockman updated the CAB on the leadership opportunities for the Chair and Co-Chair positions. The announcement has been drafted and, after it is circulated for approval, it will be made widely available for those who are interested in applying for those positions.

The next Health Equity CAB meeting is scheduled for January 25th, from 9:00am to 11:00am. Megan Liang will be in touch with the calendar invitation for that time.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:41 a.m.