

Community Advisory Board Meeting
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9:00am – 11:00am
Zoom Conference Call

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Commencement

The CAB meeting began at 09:07 a.m.

Welcome from the Co-Chairs and Director

Mr. James Jackson, Ms. Judi Patterson and Dr. Jamila K. Stockman welcomed the group and facilitated introductions of leadership and participants. See attendee names, affiliations, and contact information above.

Announcements

Black History Month: National Black HIV and AIDS Awareness Day is February 7th with events across the County.

Ms. Danielle Campbell shared that the iStrive Research Lab will be co-sponsoring several upcoming events, including one on February 7th that focuses on racial equity and HIV cure. She noted that there is an entire arm of cure-focused research, but recent research has highlighted that participants in those studies are not racially representative. This means that the science may or may not be generalizable to those communities that are disproportionately impacted by HIV, which in the US is Black people. iStrive has come together with a number of global partners, including the Martin Delaney Cure Collaboratory, Treatment Action Group, and the American Public Health Association HIV AIDS section to address this.

One activity is the **The Power Of PrEP: Pleasure and Prevention In The Black Community** webinar on February 7. A recording is available [here](#). Ms. Campbell mentioned that 9% of all of the prep users in the US are Black, but 43% of the new diagnosis are amongst Black people, so this is an important conversation to help bridge the gap to understand the systems and structures that have prevented Black people from equitably accessing PrEP. When looking at the larger context of ending the HIV epidemic, we must look at it from a prevention and treatment lens. This activity will look at this from a Black-centered prevention space followed by a conversation around cure. Dr. Jamila Stockman mentioned that this work is an extension of Ms. Campbell's dissertation research, and she is taking a leadership effort to make these connections and make sure their voices are represented at the table.

Health Equity CAB Chair Positions - Open Recruitment: The Health Equity CAB is looking for new leadership for the Co-Chair positions to relieve Mr. James Jackson and Ms. Judi Patterson after their many years of service to the CAB. Dr. Jamila Stockman shared appreciation for Mr. James Jackson and Ms. Judi Patterson for their dedication to the CAB. See flyer attached to minutes for more information. Please contact James or Judi if you would like to learn more about what the positions entail.

Health Equity CAB Retreat: The discussion continued regarding holding a Health Equity CAB retreat and inviting Jimmy Gibbs from the N3C to provide some training to CAB members and community partners. *Note: Post CAB meeting, SD CFAR and CAB leadership decided to table the retreat until summer given current competing priorities and capacity restraints.*

CBO Updates

Ms. Regina Underwood shared that the **Neighborhood House Association** is working on the LEAPs project with UCSD. They have completed some focus groups with both staff and clients that have gone well and are working on developing the curriculum.

Ms. Judi Patterson shared that 47th Street near Gompers will be renamed in honor of community leader **Cecil Steppe** in honor of his 90th birthday. Ms. Patterson shared that Cecil Steppe has

been at the forefront of every major organization that has had something to do with civil and social rights and enhancing the quality of life for San Diegans. Mr. James Jackson noted that Cecil Steppe would always be at the forefront when something was going on in relation to social justice. Read more about Cecil Steppe [here](#).

Ms. Patterson also shared that the monthly community health and resource fair from **A Healthier Me** at the Jackie Robinson YMCA is back for 2023. [Click here for information](#).

LinkPositively Research Project

Ms. Danielle Campbell provided an update on the LinkPositively project she is working on with Dr. Stockman. It is a mobile health app intervention for Black women living with HIV and affected by interpersonal violence. The project aims to improve health outcomes across the HIV care continuum amongst this group. They are looking to recruit and retain 80 Black women living with HIV, cis and trans inclusive, and have recruited about half of the participants so far. Ms. Campbell shared her gratitude for the collaborative efforts of the Health Equity CAB members for their assistance on the project and with recruitment. If anyone is connected to networks of Black women living with HIV throughout California, please contact her.

SD CFAR Community Kick Start Grant

Ms. Danielle Campbell shared that the Community Kick Start grant, "Assessing Facilitators and Barriers to Participation in HIV-related Care among Communities Disproportionately Affected by HIV" she submitted along with Dr. Chadwick Campbell and Mr. Dallas Davis from the Neighborhood House Association was approved and funded by SD CFAR. The project includes a minimum of four focus groups at the Neighborhood House Association and they are recruiting individuals who have utilized any type of HIV treatment service within San Diego County. The group is currently working on their IRB submission, and once approved they can kick off recruitment.

Presentation

LOTUS: An mHealth Intervention to Improve HIV Prevention Service Engagement and Intersectional Stigma among Racially Diverse Women who use Drugs

Dr. Stephanie Meyers-Pantele

This project is an m-health intervention to improve HIV prevention, service engagement and intersectional stigma among racially diverse women who use drugs. The project will recruit women that are at least 18 years old, have a current female identity and were assigned female at birth, and use either stimulants or opioids at least weekly within the past three months. Additionally, participants must meet PrEP eligibility criteria, report low levels of HIV prevention service engagement in the past six months, and are not currently or planning to become pregnant during the study period, own a smartphone and that they have been employed in their current position at least part time for at least six months.

Dr. Meyers-Pantele shared the scope and goals of the project and requested feedback on a draft of her recruitment flyer and ideas for expanding recruitment. Ms. Giovanna Carr recommended connecting with dual diagnosis programs, open NA or AA meetings, or to connect with attendees of NA/AA/SMART closed meetings and ask them to bring flyers in. Other recommendations included connecting with the Kiwanis Club or Rotary Club since they work in the community. Mr. James Jackson would be an excellent liaison for these. Attendees recommended adding additional racial and ethnically diverse images to the flyers and also include details about compensation.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:12 a.m.