



**Kentucky HIV/AIDS Planning and Advisory Council
Meeting Report
9:30 – 4:00 pm June 24, 2008
Clifton Center
Louisville, Kentucky**

Members Present

Robbie S. – Co-Chair
Deborah W.
Bruce M.
Bobby E.
Kathleen O.
Gary F.
Beth P.
Courtney W.
Michael H.
Krista W.
Maria M.
Courtney W.
Lesi N.
Thomas S
Mary Lynn P.
Paul T.
Stephen U. Co-Chair

Members Excused

Theresa M./proxy
Gary R.
Sandy K.
Carl L./proxy
Lynne F.
Terry C.
Kraig H.
Tim M.

DPH Staff

Beverly Mitchell
Michael Hambrick
Karin Bosh
Kambe Lattimore
Sigga Jagne
Greg Lee
Tom Collins

Members Absent

Aunsha H.
Charlie K.
Michael L.

Guests

Elizabeth Metzger
Kevin Fleming

Proxy

Terry S. for Carl L.
Deonna W. for Theresa
M.



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Welcome and Call Meeting to Order

The June 24th meeting was called to order at 9:30a.m. Kambe called the roll. Robbie welcomed everybody to the meeting and read the ground rules.

Action Item: Approval of Meeting Report from May 24, 2008 Meeting

Robbie presented the May 24 minutes for approval. Approval of the minutes was deferred until a Quorum could be reached. (Quorum for meeting report approval = 50% + 1 members present.)

The report was approved upon reaching a quorum.

Action Item: New KHPAC Membership Approvals (three candidates)

Three candidates – Thomas S., Mary Lynn P., and Deonna W. were presented before the general KHPAC body for membership approval. Thomas was in attendance and was able to introduce himself to the Council. He informed those present that he was honored to be considered for membership, his HIV/AIDS experience included serving on the board for AVOL for two years, he had started support groups, he would like to be part of a statewide priority setting process, Thomas added that he is retired and has the time to devote to KHPAC. Mary Lynn was in attendance, she informed the Council that she was currently working for a local health department as an HIV/AIDS care coordinator in eastern Kentucky. Mary Lynn has been with the local health department for eight years. Mary Lynn stated that working in this field is a passion for her and that she understands rural issues affecting those infected and affected by HIV/AIDS. Deonna was not in attendance, Kambe informed the Council that Deonna was a frequent attendee at KHPAC meetings, she also works in the HIV/AIDS dental clinic at the University of Louisville. Deonna had expressed interest in working with the faith community, in addition to her individual connection to the faith community, Deonna's husband is a deacon in Louisville. She is wants to continue to be a part of HIV/AIDS planning work for the state of Kentucky. The members present accepted all three candidates for membership by general consensus. New members were informed that they were now eligible to vote and receive reimbursement for travel expenses where applicable. As part of new member orientation, a mentor system is set up to help new members when they join KHPAC.

Technical Assistance – Understanding Epidemiological Data and the Tools Used to Prioritize Populations

On July 29, 2008, KHPAC will be going through a process of systematically ranking populations at greatest risk for transmitting and or becoming infected with HIV, and selecting prevention interventions for the selected targeted populations. In preparation for this important task, the state HIV/AIDS epidemiologist, Karin Bosh provided technical assistance on setting HIV prevention priorities. This was accompanied by a simulated priority setting exercise, the purpose was to provide KHPAC with an example on how to create a prioritization tool and set priorities. In addition the group reviewed the current



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prioritization tool. The group also received a copy of the ‘HIV/AIDS Semi-Annual Report, December 2007.

KHPAC is in the process of updating the prioritization tool which will be used starting 2009. The process for updating the tool will involve forming a workgroup comprised of KHPAC members as well as Kentucky Department of Public Health staff working hand in hand with an outside technical assistance provider. This process is anticipated to take several months. The following persons volunteered to be on the Epi workgroup:

- Bobbie - KHPAC
- Karin - DPH
- Julie - DPH
- Kambe - DPH
- Krista – KHPAC
- Thomas – KHPAC
- (Name not available) suggested by Paul, pending confirmation

Technical Assistance – What Prevention Interventions are Available and How Does KHPAC/KY DPH Prioritize Them?

Hand in hand with the population prioritization task, KHPAC must also give recommendations to the Department of Public Health, HIV/AIDS Branch on interventions to be utilized for the corresponding populations. The department will support the interventions it has capacity to implement. The purpose of this technical assistance training was to familiarize members on available interventions. Interventions fall into three categories:

1. *Diffusion of Evidence Based Interventions – DEBI’s* (See table below)
2. *Evidence Based Interventions – EBI’s* (see link below)
www.cdc.gov/hiv/resources/reports/hiv_compendium/index.htm
3. *Home Grown Interventions* – Make sure that an evaluation is built into the design of the intervention. If intervention is not successful CDC may restrict funds and not allow intervention to be repeated.

CURRENT DEBI INTERVENTIONS

INTERVENTION	TARGET POPULATION
POL	MSM originally - now for all
RAPP	Women of reproductive age and male partners
SISTA	African American women
Community Promise	All
Street Smart	Youth
Respect	Patients of STD clinics
Mpowerment	Young gay and bisexual men
Safety Counts	IDU and non-injecting drug users



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Many Men Many Voices	MSM and MSM/IDU
Healthy Choices	HIV+
Voices/Voces	Adult clinic clients
Partnership For Health	HIV+

2008 Year End Report

Paul, KHPAC *Policy and Promotion Committee Chair*, reported that the different teams were working on their recommendations for the YER which is due to the Cabinet for Health and Family Services and the Interim Joint Committee of Health and Welfare on September 1, 2008. At the April meeting Tim proposed a new format for the YER. The Council reviewed the new format and suggested adding graphics; the Council was in agreement that the new concise format would be a more effective way to capture the target audience’s attention. Paul asked that members submit drafts of their reports to him by July 22, 2008.

Announcements/Updates

African American Needs Assessment

Sigga Jagne, HIV/AIDS Branch Manager made the announcement that the African American Needs Assessment would be mailed out to members and guests before the July 29 meeting. The information contained in assessment is intended be a source of value based data to assist it the population prioritization process.

USCA Workshop/Attendees

Sigga Jagne made the announcement that the 2008 United States Conference on AIDS, (USCA) had accepted an abstract submitted back in March for a workshop on Kentucky’s community planning process. The workshop would comprise of a presentation, panel discussion, questions and answer, group exercise, summary and a close out. KHPAC voted on two members to be part of the workshop – Robbie and Bobbie. It was agreed that between the two of them, they had the historical and current perspective on Kentucky’s community planning process. Date of the workshop will be September 19, 2008.

USCA Workshop Description: *This workshop will take participants through previously uncharted territory to examine the successful collaborations that allowed Kentucky to implement what was then viewed as an impossible feat and a controversial issue, but is now seen as leading edge- a ground breaking planning model that allows for one body to examine HIV/AIDS issues from a widened angle (care & treatment, prevention and legislation). An interactive style of presentation, a panel of Kentucky stakeholders, discussion groups, and a hands-on approach will be utilized to allow participants insight into lessons learned through the evolution of Kentucky’s community planning process from regional to statewide; then eventually into a model that combined prevention and care planning, finally injecting a third unique element mandating the group’s role as a legislative advisory body. There will be an examination of effective strategies, such as successful navigation around volatile social and political issues; marketing resource effectiveness and*



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redundancy elimination as key outcomes of a merged planning process; the utilization of key leaders from the pre-merged planning groups to create overall buy in; establishing mutually beneficial goals; identifying desirable outcomes and creating a new identity for the post-merged group.

A workgroup consisting of the following people was formed:

- Kambe – DPH
- Sigga – DPH
- Greg – DPH
- Bobbie – KHPAC
- Stephen – DPH/KHPAC
- Krista – KHPAC
- Robbie – KHPAC
- Karin – DPH
- David – DPH

Kentucky HIV/AIDS Advocacy Group (KHAAG) Update

Gary announced that on the same day as the September KHPAC meeting, KHAAG will be having a Lunch and Learn at the Clifton center. He asked if those interested could attend. Gary gave a brief description of what KHAAG was and what it did. KHAAG is an advocacy group with membership coming from various stakeholders concerned with reducing the spread of HIV and increasing care and access to care for those already infected and those affected by HIV/AIDS. KHAAG was very instrumental in the formation of the HIV/AIDS Advisory Council, (House Bill 237), and the passing of the confidential names reporting bill, (House Bill 211). KHAAG also worked with the state and KHPAC to eliminate the Kentucky AIDS Drug Assistance Program, (KADAP) waitlist. As of October 23, 2007, KHAAG and KHPAC have had a memorandum of understanding that encourages them to work tactfully and collaboratively on achieving mutual goals.

HPLS Conference Report

June 10 – 14, 2008, Maria and Beth attended the HIV Prevention and Leadership Summit in Detroit Michigan. Maria wrote an article about her experience at the conference and read it to the group. Beth will present her materials at the next available meeting.

Statewide Coordinated Statement of Need, SCSN

Kambe announced that the state was now in discussion with a potential consultant who will be the lead on producing the SCSN.

Next meeting – July 29, 2008 at the Clifton Center

Meeting was adjourned at 4:09 pm