

The overall mission of the AIDS Prevention Committee (APC) is to reduce the spread of HIV infection through developing local HIV/AIDS education interventions along with providing anonymous testing. The APC will also oversee the steps of the HIV Prevention Planning Process within Montgomery County by gathering information from the various interest groups in Dayton and Montgomery County.



***Dayton AIDS Prevention Committee
Meeting Minutes
December 2, 2010***

Present: Valerie Kapp, Andrea Young, LaBarron Springer, Michele-Howard Graham, Johnnie Simms, Robert Harrison, Megan Kilner, Donna Morrow-Boyd, Cynthia Adeyemi, Cheri Glanton, Leon Hardin, Joyce Close, William Booth, D'On Ingram, Dana Graham, Eddie Sample, Ruth Addison, Dr. Robert Brandt and Ben Adams.

LaBarron called the meeting to order at 4:10 p.m.; welcome and introductions were made.

LaBarron stated three (3) corrections need to be made to the November 4, 2010 meeting minutes. A correction was made under topic of the month; Leon indicated Mt. Olive reported no services are offered in rural areas. Cynthia stated a correction for Sarah's name that's misspelled under HIV Care Update. Megan stated a correction under New Business, Jared's name is spelled incorrect.

A motion was made to accept the December 2, 2010 with the above three (3) corrections; moved by Valerie Kapp; second by William Booth; motion carried.

COMMITTEE UPDATE:

Executive Committee : LaBarron announced the Executive Committee met November 18, 2010; the discussion was centered on working and planning World AIDS Day (WAD) events. A discussion ensued regarding reviewing the By-Laws by February, 2011; more information will be forthcoming.

Advertising and Special Events : Megan stated no report at this time except for World AIDS Day.

Membership Recruitment and Retention : No report.

Internal Education & Orientation : No report

LaBarron announced the topic for the month of December is HIV positive population.

Public Health Dayton & Montgomery County (STD Clinic) : Robert reported for year 2010, twenty-three (23) clients tested positive for HIV and approximately eighty-five percent (85%) clients tested reactive were Men having Sex with Men (MSM); ninety percent (90%) Caucasian, ten percent (10%) African American and five percent (5%) were female. There were no Hispanic clients that tested reactive. The majority of clients that tested reactive were between the age of twenty-five (25) and forty-five (45); clients that tested were new positives.

ARC : Valerie reported seven hundred ninety -three (793) individuals received services. Eighty percent (80%) were male and twenty percent (20%) female with five (5) transgender. Forty-seven percent (47%) African American, fifty-one percent (51%) white, two percent (2%) other and two percent (2%) identifying as Latino. Seventy-six percent (76%) live in Montgomery County and fifty-eight percent (58%) are living below poverty level. The internal/external trends impacting the program are younger participants frequenting the program. Recommendations and suggestions are to target prevention efforts to high risk areas of the county and offer group interventions to newly diagnosed with incentives and continue referrals to Comprehensive Risk Counseling Services (CRCS) and Healthy Relationships programs.

Drew : Andrea reported for Debbie by indicating there were thirteen (13) new positives, twelve (12) were African American men and one (1) African American female. All clients testing positive for HIV are referred to a Disease Intervention Specialist (DIS). The trends impacting the program are clients who are HIV positive knowingly test for the incentive especially in outreach settings. The recommendations/suggestions are having access to Ohio Disease reporting System (ODRS) in case of a positive during after hour events so confirmatory venipunctures will not be drawn.

Health Outreach : Michele reported two (2) HIV positives since January 2010; one (1) African American male and one (1) Caucasian male; both men were described as crack cocaine users; one of the men tested just to receive the incentive, but after research was conducted he was ineligible to receive the incentive; one (1) new client reported as a new positive.

Mt. Olive : Leon reported forty-nine (49) participants are HIV positive. There were three (3) females and forty-six (46) males, males identified as Men having Sex with Men (MSM). All HIV infected participants were referred to Wright State University Comprehensive Risk Counseling Services (CRCS) and the Healthy Relationship Program. The internal trends impacting programs are due to a lack of funding and human resources. The external trends impacting programs are participants have no one to communicate with regarding their disease, unable to accept health issues relating to their disease, a high refusal rate for starting and taking medications, continuous drug addiction and homelessness due to isolation, participants become unable to express their reason for unstable behavior. The recommendations/suggestions are to increase funding sources.

WSU/SARDI : Megan reported forty-four (44) HIV positive individuals served in CRCS. Thirty-six (36) African American, five (5) Caucasian and three (3) have not reported their race at this time; twenty-seven (27) males, fourteen (14) females, three (3) have not reported their gender at this time. In regards to the Healthy Relationships program forty-two (42) HIV positives were served; demographics not reported at this time. The internal/external trends impacting the program are changes in care programs for HIV positive individuals have resulted in greater need among

consumers. This need has resulted in a change in focus during CRCS sessions. The Prevention for Positives program has seen a relatively low number of heterosexual men engaging in services. Possible reasons include a lack of established social networks between HIV positive heterosexual men, fear of stigma, and men who struggle with sexual identity. The recommendations/suggestions are to increase collaboration with other agencies, establish relationships with greater number of individuals within each population group (specifically HIV positive heterosexual men) and increase funding to support efforts to reach out to populations.

OLD BUSINESS : Megan reported sixty-two (62) individuals tested and sixty-three (63) individuals were educated at World AIDS Day (WAD) events sponsored by the APC. Megan announced that Debbie will deliver a formal (WAD) report upon her return. Information will be forthcoming.

Andrea commended Robert on giving an excellent update on WAD events to Channel 2 News.

New Business : LaBarron announced the Executive meeting met and the focus was the APC poster. The APC poster will be displayed so the public can be more aware of HIV/AIDS. The APC poster will be used as a recruitment effort to increase community participation and committee membership. Andrea stated more APC posters will be printed and distributed to other agencies. Information will be forthcoming.

A brief discussion ensued regarding APC meetings being boring and not enough committee participation. Andrea stated the APC is effective if members work on strategic planning/ suggestions and do something new, maybe meeting every other month or presenting workshops or forums. If there are any suggestions please contact the Chair or Co-Chair. Information will be forthcoming.

LaBarron announced the National Black HIV Awareness Day is February 7, 2011. Andrea stated the committee needs to focus on this event. Information will be forthcoming.

Andrea announced January 16, 2011, the East End Community Center would like for us to provide HIV/AIDS testing. There was a brief discussion on obtaining an interpreter for Spanish speaking population. Information will be forthcoming.

HIV Care Update : Valerie reported twenty-three (23) individuals enrolled, two (2) between the ages of sixteen (16) thru twenty (20), four (4) between twenty-one (21) thru twenty-five (25) and thirteen (13) males, nine (9) females, twelve (12) Caucasian, ten (10) African American and one (1) Hispanic; with the Ohio Drug Assistance Program (ODAP) changes, AIDS Resource Center (ARC) has been referring clients to the patient assistance program. ARC has an issue with the providers using allowable Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes which are used for medical purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

Robert Brandt made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:26 p.m.; second by Megan Kilner; motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Donna Morrow-Boyd, APC Member