

Virginia Community HIV Planning Group
Call Summary
May 22, 2020

Members Present: Keith Arendall, Reed Bohn, Pierre Diaz, Doug Fogal, Rodney Lewis, Daniel Lopez,, Elaine Martin (VDH Co-Chair),Eric Mayes, Darryl Payne, Doris Plant-Hill, Bryan Price, Alexandria Robinson, Robert Rodney, Anthony Seymore, Jennifer Shiflett, Nechelle Terrell (Community Co-Chair), Thomas Villa, Robyn Wilson

Absent: Yolanda Alexander, Maria Altonen, Sylvester Askins, Gennaro Brooks, Robert Cheek, Victor Claros, Daisy Diaz, Beverly Franklin, Earl Hamlet, Bobby Jones, Russell Jones, Marquis Mapp, Gia Martinez,

Others present: Sadie Adkins, Kristen Donovan, Ashley Yocum, Jenny Calhoun, Christina Martone, Tim Agar, Shannon Meade, Roy Berkowitz, Karen, Winslow, Deryk Jackson, Murray Penner, Thomas Rodriguez

Greetings and Introductions – Elaine Martin

Old and New Business-Elaine Martin

- Approval of May Minutes- Motion passed to approve the minutes

Prevention and Care Updates

- **Prevention**
 - There will be an online training on personal protection equipment (PPE) created by VCU. Email with more information should be sent out today.
 - Working on an agreement with the department with behavioral health for VDH to purchase naloxone
- **HIV Care updates**
 - Virginia Medication Assistance Program (VA MAP)
 - VA MAP Application completeness
 - VA MAP is beginning to see an uptick in more incomplete applications. Please ensure that you are completing the entire application before sending it to the VA MAP team.
 - If you are having trouble accessing your medications, please contact the VA MAP Hotline: **1-855-362-0658**
 - VACAC Regional Trainings have been postponed. They will resume once it is safe to do so.
 - VDH/VACAC Statewide Consumer Bi-Weekly Calls/Virtual Meeting
 - The VACAC has been hosting bi-weekly calls/virtual meetings in Zoom for consumers throughout the state.
 - Topics covered so far are: Self Care; Coping with Anxiety/Isolation during COVID-19; and Accessing Care during COVID-19.
 - Future topics include: Telemedicine/Telehealth and How to manage Finances during COVID-19

- Weekly Case Management and Prevention Community of Practice Calls.
 - Weekly Case Management Calls are Wednesdays from 12:30 – 1:30 PM
 - Prevention Community of Practice Calls on Thursdays from 12:30 – 1:30.
Links can be found on MAAETC.org.
- CARES Act Funding
 - Focus on infrastructure building for telemedicine, IT and computer peripherals, software, and reengineering of spaces for service delivery and maximizing social distancing. Reviewing and strengthening COOPS and emergency plans, PPE and disinfecting.
 - Many service-related requests will be addressed with alternate funding sources. More in-depth information will be provided at upcoming Quarterly Contractors' meeting.

PrEP updates and challenges during Covid-19 Pandemic - Eric Mayes and Jenny Calhoun

- See presentation

U=U 101 and discussion

- Murray's been working in the HIV field for nearly 30 years, starting in Texas with Ryan White and prevention community planning, then at the national level at NASTAD, and now as Executive Director, North America for the Prevention Access Campaign, the organization that launched the U=U movement in 2016.
- See Presentation for the explanation of U=U

Next meeting – June 19, 2020

Adjourn – 10:59 am