

Dear,

Thank you for your patience related to updates regarding your application for membership on the Philadelphia EMA HIV Intergraded Planning Council (HIPC). Legislatively we are required to ensure that the Chief Elected Official appoints new members. Unfortunately, this sometimes causes a delay in the remittance of the appointment letters. It is our hope that in the interim you will attend meetings and be an active voice as we plan HIV care and prevention services in the Philadelphia region during the coming year.

The Nominations Committee of the HIPC has recommended you for membership to the Mayor's Office for the City of Philadelphia. The membership term is for the period that began on May 01, 2024 and ends April 30, 2026. Although the Nominations Committee has recommended you for membership the final decision regarding your membership lies with the mayor. While we do not anticipate any opposition on your membership recommendation, we will make every effort to verify your official appointment as soon as possible. You can attend HIPC meetings while you wait for formal confirmation since they are open to the public. The HIPC meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month. The next meetings will be Thursday: June 13 from 2:00pm to 4:30 pm via zoom and you will also receive email notices from our office if you wish to register for a meeting or you can visit our website www.hivphilly.org and select the Planning Council dropdown and go to the link for the calendar.

As a new recommended member, you will be required to attend an orientation, as well as serve on at least one sub-committee once appointed. We will provide you with information related to orientation after it is scheduled. We anticipate that it will be held virtually and will occur after the appointment letters have been mailed/emailed.

Much of the work carried out by the HIPC happens at the committee level. We encourage you to lend your expertise and knowledge to this work by attending one of the various committees. The committees are as follows, Nominations Committee, Finance Committee, Comprehensive Planning Committee, or the Prevention Group. If you would like to know more about the committees, their meeting schedules, etc. please visit the Planning Council page of our website at www.hivphilly.org.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to email Debbie Law at debbie@hivphilly.org.

Sincerely,

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