# **Office of HIV Planning**

### and the HIV Integrated Planning Council

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Prevention Committee



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## **Meet your Committee Members!**



## Clint S., Co-Chair

Region: Philadelphia

How long you have been on committee or HIPC: 8 Years



#### Desiree S., Co-Chair Region: Chester County

How long you have been on committee or HIPC: 4 Years

Veronica B. Lorett M. AJ S. Keith C. Jeffrey H.





The Prevention Committee is dedicated to planning and enhancing HIV prevention services within Philadelphia. Our primary goal is to foster effective communication and collaboration within the community and with stakeholders, such as the HIPC and the health department, ensuring that feedback from our meetings is integrated into our strategies.

#### **Description & Benefits of Joining the Prevention Committee**

Joining the Prevention Committee offers unique opportunities that set it apart from other committees:

- **Community Voice**: Engage directly with community feedback to inform our HIV prevention strategies, making your input essential in shaping effective programs.
- **Collaborative Efforts**: Work alongside the HIPC and other health department officials to support the Integrated HIV Prevention and Care Plan.
- Impactful Recommendations: Participate in the critical review and recommendation process for prevention activities that may be incorporated into our plans, ensuring they meet the needs of our community.
- **Strategic Involvement**: Your involvement in the Prevention Committee serves as a pathway to deepen your engagement within the HIPC, enhancing your role and impact within the council.
- Proactive Approach: Embrace a forward-thinking mindset by taking initiatives that aim to stop the transmission of HIV, addressing issues before they escalate.

#### How the Prevention Committee Enhances HIPC Involvement

Being part of the Prevention Committee not only broadens your involvement but also increases the effectiveness of the HIPC. Your contributions help ensure that the programs and strategies we develop are rooted in real community experiences and needs, making our collective efforts towards HIV prevention more robust and impactful. Whether through reviewing funding applications or providing input on prevention initiatives, your active participation directly influences our shared goals in creating a healthier future for Philadelphia.

## **Committee Roles and Responsibilities**



### We do :

- ★ Provide prevention recommendations to the full council
- ★ Analyze and inform for the Plan
- ★ Feedback loop to DHH, Full council,
- ★ Presentations specific to populations and population needs and prevention
- ★ Inclusion of prevention issues throughout the EMA, through participation at state HPG and other methods
- ★ Work closely with Comp Planning Committee
- ★ Topics covered are relatable in real time (ex. What is happening in Kensington and have information provided to give feedback about current issues).
- ★ Help establish city PrEP program we see now
- ★ Invite speaker to inform prevention process and future activities in any of our planning and planning documents
- ★ Help to inform the pillars in the EHE plan
- ★ Some data used in committee helps to inform allocations

#### **Prevention Tool Kit**





## Why should YOU join?



## THE WHY:

### **COMMUNITY BENEFITS:**

- The work of HIPC largely happens in one of its four (4) committees
- An engaged and informed community
- Great networking for members and agencies
- Informative for our agencies/orgs/ community
- Wide scope of information and variety of prevention modalities
- Being a voice for the voiceless
- To be a part of the decision making process
- To prevent infection is primary goal (secondary prevention also (TASP)

### **PERSONAL BENEFITS:**

- Professional development
- Learning how to sit on boards and become familiar with processes
- Networking opportunities
- Get first to know information
- Advocate as a group (not feeling isolated as the only voice)
- Gaining knowledge from agencies that can also benefit our personal work
- Help make a difference through service to community and others

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# How YOU can get involved?



## **COME TO THE Prevention Committee...**

Prevention Committee meets on the Fourth Wednesday of the month 2:30pm- 4:30pm

## Click the link to see minutes from the Prevention Committee:

Click on the link to see the calendar: Office of HIV Planning Meeting Calendar (google.com)



## **THANK YOU!**

# WANT TO BE ADDED TO THE COMMITTEE EMAIL LISTSERV:

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- <u>tiffany@hivphilly.org</u>

