



**MINUTES**  
**SOUTHERN NEVADA HEALTH DISTRICT**  
**Southern Nevada HIV Prevention Planning Group**  
**APR. 13, 2018 1:00-3:00PM**

**VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT**

April Jackson, Huntridge Family Clinic (via phone)	Jim Foley, SNHD
Cassandra Martinez, Community Counseling Center	Kandace Hunt, AHF (proxy for Chris Reynolds)
Cheryl Radeloff, Southern Nevada Health District (proxy for Lyell Collins & Preston Tang Nevada State)	Todd Dickey, The Center (via phone)
	Xavier Foster, Southern Nevada Health District
	Preston Tang, Division of Public & Behavioral Health, State of Nevada

**NON-VOTING MEMBERS & GUESTS PRESENT**

Ari Medecki, Community Counseling	Michele Shingu, Southern Nevada Health District
Joyce Castro, Southern Nevada Health District	Rob Phoenix, Huntridge (via phone)

**ALL MEMBERS ABSENT**

Andrew Evanski, AFAN	Lyell Collins, Division of Public & Behavioral Health, State of Nevada
Brenda Hernandez, Planned Parenthood	Robert Thurmond, Planned Parenthood
Christopher Reynolds, AIDS Healthcare Foundation	Rosita Castillo, Planned Parenthood

**VISITORS/PUBLIC ATTENDANCE**

**I. CALL TO ORDER - NOTICE OF POSTING OF AGENDA**

Chair C. Radeloff called the Southern Nevada HIV Prevention Planning Group meeting to order at 1:16 p.m and stated that this meeting will be an Unofficial Meeting. Quorum met at 1:33pm and meeting proceeded. The Affidavit of Posting, Mailing of Agenda, and Public Notice of the Meeting Agenda were executed in accordance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law.

**II. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public comment is a period devoted to comments by the general public on items appearing on the Agenda. All comments are limited to five (5) minutes. Chair C. Radeloff asked if anyone wished to address the group pertaining to items appearing on the Agenda. Seeing no one, she closed the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

**III. ADOPTION OF THE Apr. 13, 2018 AGENDA (for possible action)**

*A motion was made by Member T. Dickey, seconded by Member C. Martinez and was unanimously carried to adopt the Apr. 13, 2018 agenda as presented.*

**IV. CONSENT AGENDA**

Items for action to be considered by the Southern Nevada HIV Prevention Planning Group which may be enacted by one motion. Any item may be discussed separately per group member request before action. Any exceptions to the Consent Agenda must be stated prior to approval.

**1. APPROVE MINUTES/SOUTHERN NEVADA HIV PREVENTION PLANNING GROUP MEETING: Jan. 19, 2018**

*A motion was made by Rob Phoenix to approve minutes, seconded by Member J. Foley, carried unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.*

**V. REPORT/DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION**

The Southern Nevada HIV Prevention Planning Group may take any necessary action for any item under this section. Members of the public are allowed to speak on action items after the group's discussion and prior to their vote. Once the action item is closed, no additional public comment will be accepted.

**A. VOTE FOR NEW MEMBERS:**

Chair C. Radeloff stated that there are two new members: Gabby Gardner and Robert Nagele. Ms. Gardner & Mr. Nagele spoke briefly about themselves

A motion to approve Gabby Gardner was made by Member C. Martinez, seconded by Member J. Foley. Motion was carried unanimously to approve Gabby Gardner.

A motion to approve Robert Nagele was made by Member J. Foley, seconded by Member C. Martinez. Motion was carried unanimously to approve Robert Nagele.

**VI. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/DISCUSSION ONLY**

**A. DISCUSSION & AGREEMENT ON LISTENING SESSION TARGET GROUPS:**

Chair C. Radeloff spoke about the HIV integrated prevention & care plan which guides on prevention efforts.

Chair C. Radeloff stated that objective #3 group needs to put together a list of possible groups (5 groups) for "Listening Sessions". The priority populations are: 1) MSM, 2) HIV positive, 3) Youth, 4) use substances, 5) people of color. As a group we need to think about the population we needed to engage and recruit them.

Rob Phoenix from Huntridge stated that Nolo has opportunities in the Hispanic community, he might be able to tap into that. Nolo works in the domestic violence realm doing counseling for people who are court ordered for domestic violence.

Member J. Foley stated that MSM men of color, Andre at The Center has a group of African American/Hispanic MSM.

Chair C. Radeloff stated that Gabby at The Center also holds a new group of Spanish speaking people also.

Member J. Foley also stated that Yendi & Marco at Community Outreach Med Ctr. also are involved in the Latino communities.

Rob Phoenix asked about Nevada Partnership for homeless youth?

Chair C. Radeloff said that is also a good place

Member X. Foster stated that he could reach out to Jalisa at Planned Parenthood for ways to get the youth.

Chair C. Radeloff stated that she had done an outreach for Center for Peace and that maybe there might be other organizations for youth that might be able to work with.

Rob Phoenix stated maybe Help of Southern Nevada. They have a youth program.

Chair C. Radeloff stated maybe with the Nevada Harm Reduction Coalition, maybe at one of their meetings there could be a discussion about the people who use substances.

The group brought together more possible groups/organizations that could be contacted.

Ms. Hunt asked how to get people to participate?

Chair C. Radeloff stated social media is one way

Member C. Martinez stated that flyers are another way

**B. DISCUSSION ABOUT RECRUITMENT & RETENTION FOR MEMBER THAT MEET GRID:**

Chair C. Radeloff spoke about the Grid and the purpose of the Grid to represent the community. SoN HPG needs to maintain a healthy group based on the grid. Chair C. Radeloff will send the group members out the Grid.

**C. DISCUSSION ABOUT UPCOMING LEGISLATIVE SESSION & HIV PREVENTION POLICIES (OPT OUT/PROVIDER TESTING):**

Chair C. Radeloff spoke about changing State law/policies for providers to offer “opt out of testing”. It would be where a provider would ask a client if they would like a test and if the client doesn’t want the test they can “opt out”. If as a group this is something we would like to pursue, then Chair C. Radeloff would speak with Member L. Collins who is the HIV Prevention Coordinator Manager with the State, and then invite someone from the legislature to one of our meetings . Chair asked the group if this is something the group would like to pursue?

The group answered “Yes”

Rob Phoenix stated that he would like to see along the lines of what California did in their recent legislative session, is where anyone who is testing, the providers don’t have to offer PrEP however they have to provide information and where PrEP can be gotten. Everyone needs information.

Chair C. Radeloff asked what California’s legislation was??? Maybe we can model their legislation.

Rob Phoenix stated he could provide the Chair with that information.

Rob Phoenix also stated that what might be considered for prevention strategy is the need to be expanded access to adolescence for PrEP. In May, Gilead will probably have an approval for adolescence for HIV prevention with Truvada down to the age of at least 15 maybe 13. Can this go under the umbrella of sexual health where we can test and treat individuals 12 and older w/o parental consent because HIV is a sexually transmitted infection just like pregnancy is, chlamydia, gonorrhea and syphilis, so why can’t we include HIV prevention in that as well and HIV treatment too. The other sexually transmitted infections get treatment why not HIV?

Chair C. Radeloff stated that this might be something we can bring up as a group to a legislator. Since we are the HIV Planning Group, this is where we can make that recommendation.

Member J. Foley stated that this is a recommendation that needs to be made. The kids need this. This is huge

Rob Phoenix stated...look at the numbers, we are the fastest growing population for ages between 13-29. We have a growing at risk population in Las Vegas, we have a growing homeless youth population and those kids are at even higher risk then the kids who have stable housing.

Chair C. Radeloff stated that as are doing the Listening Groups this might be interesting to see where a question like this could go in. We also know that HIV is also transmitted through injectables. So if we have a younger population who are injecting substances, this might be another area, another group to do prevention with through Truvada or PrEP

Chair C. Radeloff stated for the July meeting she will speak with Member L. Collins and see if this is something the group we want to pursue and invite a legislator (David Parks) to the meeting and discuss the possibilities of what we want to do next with this.

Rob Phoenix stated another person to tap from a legislative perspective would be Kelvin Atkinson in North Las Vegas

Chair C. Radeloff stated to see who would be willing to work with us and help us to champion that. Also, as we pursue this with these policies, to work with our counterparts and may want to think about having a meeting between the North & South so that we can approach this from a statewide perspective.

Rob Phoenix stated that California ADAP through their office of HIV/AIDS just expanded ADAP to include PrEP. They have partnered up with Gilead for the medications and then ADAP PrEP covers the cost of labs and office visits for patients who meet the criteria (patients that are uninsured, under the poverty level etc). This has been a big boost for access for patients.

Member M. Shingu asked how would someone apply for ADAP if they aren't HIV positive?

Rob Phoenix stated that there is a separate application process. There are PrEP navigators in every county that helps them fill out the ADAP application. The navigator also helps the patient get linked into care. As far as providers, any provider that takes MediCal will get reimbursed for the visits.

Chair C. Radeloff stated that Tory (Nevada State) would have to be contacted to see if something like this could work here.

**D. UPDATE FROM NEVADA INTEGRATED HIV PREVENTION & CARE PLAN STAKEHOLDER MEETING (MARCH 22 & 23, 2018):**

Chair C. Radeloff gave an update on the Stakeholder meeting that was held at AFAN. A presentation was given about the Plan and what we have done. The groups were tasked to look over some sections of the plan and give input. One of the groups looked at people living with HIV, increasing access. Some of the areas of concern were "signage", to make sure the signage that is used is language appropriate, to make sure the languages used were predominate in the community. Another statement was about confidentiality and privacy. Recommendations were given to the organization that is doing the evaluation of the Plan.

**E. UPDATE WITH HARM REDUCTION COALITION:**

No update

**F. NEXT & UPCOMING TRAININGS:**

Chair C. Radeloff stated that the next HIV 101 trainings will be held at The Center next week (April 16-20, 2018), in July, the 16-20, 2018 here at the Health District and then in October, the 15-19, 2018 also here at the Health District.

Chair C. Radeloff stated that as part of a "Substance Abuse Prevention & Treatment Agency" grant, not only are we doing the trainings we are now tasked with developing some "E-learning" modules for the State. The "E-learning modules will be: PrEP for providers, PrEP for the community, how to do HIV testing with providers. We would like to do a community event on PrEP. There will be more information coming on that.

Chair C. Radeloff asked about "getting to zero", the HIV summit, will that be in the fall?

Member G. Gardner stated that it hasn't been discussed yet. After the fashion show today, they will start working on the information.

Member G. Gardner stated there will be a fashion show, "Condom Contour" at The Center tonight 6-7:30. Everyone is welcome.

Chair C. Radeloff stated the AIDS Walk will be on Sunday April 15<sup>th</sup> at Town Square from 7-11am.

Member X. Foster stated that TPP (Teen Pregnancy Program) participated in a "Youth Conference" with Planned Parenthood, where they did testing. There were 14 tests done.

TPP is applying for a new funding cycle (grant).

Ms. Medecky stated that on April 23<sup>rd</sup> (Monday) there will be a new class called "Judgement" (at Community Counseling for women only from 4-6pm. They will also have an adolescent group as well.

Member G. Gardner stated there will be a group on Thursday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, from 6-7pm. The first one will be in Spanish and it is for loved ones that are affected by HIV. There will also be one of these groups in English.

Chair C. Radeloff stated there will be a "Sexual assault advocate" training at The Center. This training will be one day a week for eight weeks starting on April 27, 2018 from 8am-4:30pm. There are two sessions on the weekends going for those who can't attend during the week. This is a stand-alone training so if anyone misses one day they can re-do. Chair C. Radeloff will also be presenting about HIV & STI's at this training.

Chair C. Radeloff stated she attend a training about Trauma and sexual assault. Will see if the presenters can come and do the training again.

Chair C. Radeloff stated there will be ASECT training in June 2018

Chair C. Radeloff recapped her tasks from the meeting: Find 5 groups good for sessions, ways to advertise, going forward with policies, send out grid to group.

**VII. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

A period devoted to comments by the general public, if any, and discussions of those comments, about matters relevant to the group's jurisdiction will be held. No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item of this Agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action may be taken pursuant to NRS 241.020. Comments are limited to five (5) minutes per speaker.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT:**

Chair C. Radeloff asks for a motion to adjourn.

Member J. Foley motioned to adjourn, Member X. Foster seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 2:25.