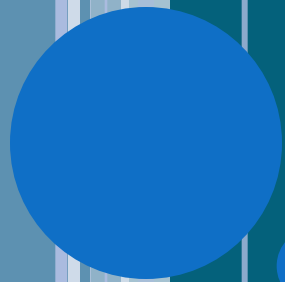




**NEW JERSEY HIV/AIDS
PLANNING GROUP**
2010: A Year in Review



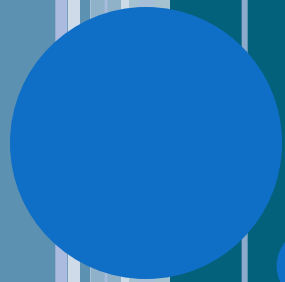
NJHPG MEETINGS



NJHPG MEETINGS AND COMMITTEES

- Eight Main NJHPG Meetings
- Ten Executive Committee Meetings
- Six Governance Committee Meetings
- Nine HIV/AIDS Issues Committee Meetings





NJHPG WORK PRODUCTS

HIV/AIDS ISSUES COMMITTEE

- Created and implemented a series of six Statewide Town Hall Meetings charged with gathering input from individuals who do not know their HIV status; as well as those who are HIV+ but are not accessing care.
 - Town Hall Meetings were held in Camden, Atlantic City, New Brunswick, Trenton, Newark and Hackensack
 - NJHPG Town Hall Meeting Series Summary Report was finalized and distributed in September
 - Executive Summary was included in the New Jersey Comprehensive HIV/AIDS Services Plan (The Plan)
 - Recommendations resulted in three, two-day Stigma trainings for HIV Counseling & Testing and Care & Treatment providers in 2011



HIV/AIDS ISSUES COMMITTEE

- Combined planning documents (HIV Prevention Plan and Statewide Coordinated Statement of Need) into one Statewide Comprehensive HIV/AIDS Services Plan
- Revised The Plan to include Syringe Access Programs (SAPs)
 - Update included recommendations for SAPs, referred to by the CDC as Syringe Service Programs (SSPs)
 - Revised the 2010 Letter of Concurrence in support of federal funding being used for SSPs
- Created a Prescription Assistance Resource Directory for Case Managers



GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

- Prioritized gaps in NJHPG membership and nominated 11 individuals to the slate for election at the January 2010 Business meeting
- In the process of creating the NJHPG Policy and Procedures Manual



NJHPG WORKGROUPS

- In 2010, five Workgroups were created to address emerging issues:
 - Budget Workgroup for HIV/AIDS Services
 - ADDP Advocacy Workgroup
 - MSM Workgroup
 - Universal Standards of Care Workgroup
 - Prevention & Care Collaborative Workgroup



WORKGROUPS

- Budget Workgroup for HIV/AIDS Services
 - Submitted a letter to Larry Ganges, Assistant Commissioner, outlining the NJHPG's position on Governor Christie's Budget and its affect on HIV/AIDS Services
- ADDP Advocacy Workgroup
 - Submitted a letter of support to the Assistant Commissioner in support of Senator Vitale's Bill to fully restore ADDP
 - Submitted three recommendations to the Assistant Commissioner to improve ADDP's fiscal position



WORKGROUPS

○ MSM Workgroup

- In the process of creating an MSM Glossary for distribution to providers who are unfamiliar with the MSM Community's terminology
- Looking into presenting the Glossary at the MSM Day of Learning Community Forum/Conference on March 25, 2011



WORKGROUPS

- Universal Standards of Care Workgroup
 - Workgroup was created to develop a Universal Standard of Care that will serve as a baseline standard for all care and treatment agencies in New Jersey
 - Submitted a request for existing Standards of Care for Medical Case Management from Part A Planning Councils and Part B
 - In the process of reviewing existing Standards of Care for Medical Case Management



WORKGROUPS

- Prevention & Care Collaborative Workgroup
 - Workgroup was created to address the HRSA mandate directed at the Early Identification of Individuals with HIV/AIDS (EIIHA)
 - Submitted a request for the four-page addendum to the 2010 Part A Grant Application and Priorities from each Planning Council and Part B
 - In the process of reviewing both sets of documents



IN PROCESS

- Compiling a Statewide, Comprehensive Resource Directory for HIV Prevention, Care & Treatment and Counseling & Testing
- Submitted a request for Part A Planning Council Needs Assessment Reports and Executive Summaries in preparation for the 2011 Gap Analysis
- Introducing Social Media to the NJHPG:
 - Webcasts with New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services' Directors
 - Video conferencing





NJHPG RECOMMENDATIONS AND LETTERS OF SUPPORT

LETTERS OF SUPPORT

- In 2010, the NJHPG received one request for a letter in support of New Jersey's application for CDC Program Announcement PS10-10138 entitled, "Expanded Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Testing for Disproportionately Affected Populations."

