



Prevention

Briefs...the DHS HIV Prevention Program Newsletter

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Opportunities

The HIV Prevention Program offers opportunity grants to support local community HIV prevention activities. Grants of up to \$1,000 per year/per organization may be awarded to fund your special event. If you are unsure if your event qualifies, please contact your designated State HIV Prevention Program staff person. More information can be found at www.oregon.gov/DHS/ph/hiv/fso/index.shtml

Please submit your application no later than three weeks prior to when you are requesting funding. Grants may be provided for your event as funding is available.

The HIV Prevention Program has a small supply of OraQuick HIV rapid tests to support your agency's HIV awareness event. We can provide 25 tests to an agency per quarter for events like National HIV/AIDS and Aging Awareness Day (September 18), National Latino AIDS Awareness Day (October 15) and World AIDS Day (December 1).

Please submit your request via email (a paragraph) describing the event you are honoring and the target population you hope to reach. Please submit your requests to Ruth Helsley: ruth.helsley@state.or.us.

Summer Public Health Institute

In August, Cessa Karson-Whitethorn attended the Northwest Center for Public Health Practice's Summer Public Health Institute at the University of Washington and participated in the epidemiology track. In addition to learning a great deal about the basics of epidemiology, Cessa attended several interesting plenary sessions. One plenary session featured Judy Monroe, MD, Director of the Office for State, Territorial and Tribal Support at the Centers for Disease Control (CDC). This is a new office, established in January 2010. Its mission is to improve the capacity and performance of the public health system in the United States.

The office has 15 deliverables for 2010, focusing on things like grants standardization and optimization, training for CDC officers, and development of national performance standards for public health. Judy also listed the CDC's winnable battles. They include tobacco prevention and reduction, obesity prevention, prevention and reduction of health care-related infections, prevention of motor vehicle injuries/deaths, teen pregnancy prevention and...HIV!

Their website is: <http://www.cdc.gov/ostlts/index.html>

Staffing Update

Jaisen Glogowski will be leaving the HIV Prevention team on August 19th, 2010. Thank you for everything, Jaisen!

Upcoming Events

September 11

What's New in HIV Conference, Portland.

For more information:

[http://www.cascadeaids.org/HIV Conference/](http://www.cascadeaids.org/HIV_Conference/)

September 15

Statewide Planning Group 9am-noon, Portland State Office Building.

For more information contact:

warren.r.scott@state.or.us

September 17

State Office Closure

September 18

National HIV/AIDS and Aging Awareness Day

September 25

Marion County Health Department will host a Summer Picnic event on Saturday September 25th from noon to 5pm at Bush Park in Salem. Games, food and information about their HIV program services will be provided.

September 29-30

Department of Corrections Client Focused Counseling Training, Salem (Department of Corrections staff only.)

For more information contact:

cessa.karson@state.or.us

October 3

AIDS Walk Portland.

For more information:

<http://www.cascadeaids.org/index.php>

October 12-13

HIV Continuum of Care Conference, Salem.

For more information contact:

annick.benson@state.or.us

October 15

National Latino AIDS Awareness Day

October 18-19

Client Focused Counseling Training, Portland State Office Building.

For more information contact:

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Ongoing Events

Social events on the Central Oregon Coast the second, third and fourth Tuesday of each month. For more information, contact Dan Beck (541) 994.5597

Save the Date

November 10

SPG General Meeting, Portland State Office Building.

December 2010

World AIDS Day

For more information: www.worldaidsdaynw.org

April 2011

The 2011 Oregon Adolescent Sexuality Conference is seeking workshop proposals. The theme for this year's conference is, *Healthy Relationships Matter*, and it will be held April 4-5 in Seaside. Workshop submission deadline is November 23, 2010. For more information, please contact: Lila Duncan at (971) 673-0163.

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