A Voice in the Conversation: The Vital Role of Consumers to End the HIV Epidemic

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Learning Objectives



At the conclusion of this activity, participants will be able to:

- 1. Incorporate evidence-based approaches to increase consumer involvement into the conversation on HIV care and treatment
- 2. Create committees consisting of consumers, community representatives and other stakeholders to identify the needs of the consumer in the healthcare setting
- 3. Recruit members to serve on Ryan White HIV Planning Councils, CABs and other entities that determine Ryan White funds to be used in the care of people living with HIV

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Forming Our Collaborative

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Ending the HIV Epidemic



GOAL:

75%

reduction in new HIV infections

by 2025

and at least

90%

reduction by 2030.



Diagnose all people with HIV as early as possible.

Treat people with HIV rapidly and effectively to reach sustained viral suppression.





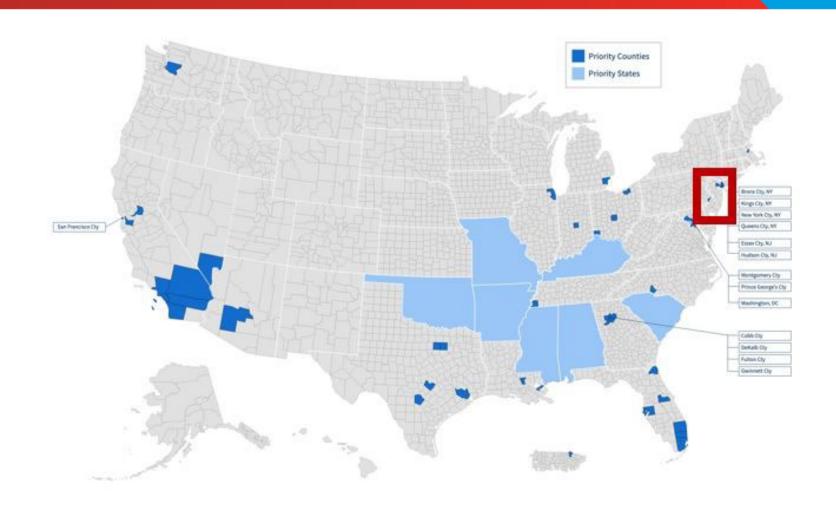
Prevent new HIV transmissions by using proven interventions, including pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) and syringe services programs (SSPs).

Respond quickly to potential HIV outbreaks to get needed prevention and treatment services to people who need them.



Priority Jurisdictions: Phase I





Forming a Learning Collaborative



Northeast/
Caribbean
AETC
STAKEHOLDERS
NEMA
Planning
Council

Community Members

Service Recipients

Identification of Need



- Recruitment and Retention of Community Members
- Identification of evidence based strategies & innovative ways to engage community member involvement



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Leveraging Resources



- NECA AETC Resources
- Inclusive Participation
- Facilitation of Dialogue
- Access to Funding

Capacity Building & Training











Practice Transformation





Pharmacy

Oral Health









Behavioral Health



ACCESS

AETC Supporting Community



- Support of NEMA Planning Council Activities
- Development of brief, educational videos
- Highlighting community member involvement

The time is now.

Ending the HIV Epidemic



Purpose of Videos

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Planning Council Needs



- Community member composition impacted by employment at Part-A funded agencies;
- Recruit new community members;
- Ensure existing community members had the tools and resources necessary to actively participate in the work of the council;
- Provide educational resources to strengthen consumer engagement;
- Ensure resources could be easily accessed, used across a diverse audience, and were able to be shared remotely if needed.

What is the Planning Council?



Video 1 explores the Planning Council structure and operations covering topics such as:

- Why the council exists?
- How is it structured?
- Who can join the council?
- The use of subcommittees?
- How to get involved!

View: https://vimeo.com/652090810

Video 1



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Community Members



Video 2 captures the voices and perspectives of community members and their experiences on the council. It covers topics such as:

- Motivations for joining.
- Why others should consider joining the council.
- What community members contribute.
- Reasons for remaining involved.
- How to have a seat at the table.

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Video 2



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Robert's Rules of Order



Video 3 focuses on community member education and retention on the Planning Council. It provides an overview of Parliamentary Procedure.

- Explains Robert's Rules of Order.
- Explores key principles of Parliamentary Procedure.
- Considers reasons for use of Robert's Rules of Order.
- Makes clear how the Planning Council uses it to conduct business in a fair and consistent manner.

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Video 3



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Necessity of Community Member Involvement

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Planning CHATT Recruitment and Retention Learning Collaborative



- Three planning council & community member representatives participated in the Planning CHATT Recruitment and Retention Learning Collaborative from February to June 2021
- Focused on strengthening community engagement, and increasing the involvement of community providers in HIV service delivery planning
- 5 session training on:
 - Recruitment
 - Social media and Storytelling
 - Training and team-building
 - Retention
 - Leadership development and mentorship



CHATT Take-Aways



- Importance of Recruitment
 - Showing up as your authentic self and using personal experience to engage others
- Utilizing Social Media
 - Thinking how to strategically use platforms (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram) to engage community members
- Retention of Impacted Community Members
 - Need to know what's going on with services & be able to support one another
 - In addition, advocate for persons that might not be in the room but have similar lived experience
 - Stay alive, stay involved



Dissemination Plan of Videos

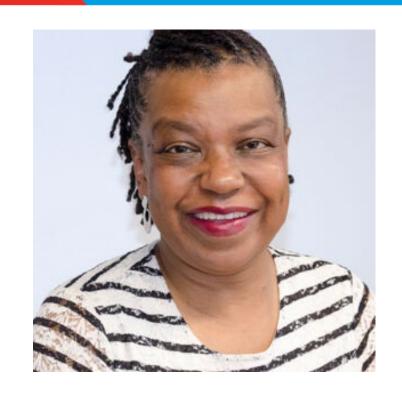
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Public Video Release Strategies



The 3 videos were released to the public in December 2021 via the following websites:

Newark EMA HIV Health Services Planning Council

https://www.nemaplanningcouncil.org

Northeast Caribbean AETC

https://www.necaaetc.org/stories

AETC Video Release Strategies



- Reach a maximum number of providers locally and regionally
- Initially introduced and viewed at the Northeast Caribbean AETC Regional Partner Meeting
- Medical Case Managers within the Newark EMA were sent a link to the videos
 - Encouraged to watch to better explain to interested clients looking to join a CAB or the Newark EMA HIV Health Services Planning Committee
- The learning collaborative members then submitted an abstract to introduce the videos during the 2022 National Ryan White Conference on HIV Care and Treatment

Video Reception



- The videos have been positively received by members of the Newark EMA agencies and the regional partners of the Northeast Caribbean AETC
- Survey feedback from providers
- Community member feedback

Wrap Up



- Lessons Learned
 - Remaining innovative, collaborative & participatory in our approach
 - Being flexible
 - Scheduling of multiple participants to participate
- Next steps
 - Development of a certificate program for community members
 - Planning CHATT hosted special recruitment & retention committee
 - Mentoring program for new Planning Council community members
 - New Recruitment Campaign beginning September 2022



Thank You For Your Time Questions?