

**Nebraska HIV CARE and Prevention Consortium**  
**Thursday, July 24, 2014**  
**Staybridge Inn**  
**2701 Fletcher Ave**  
**Lincoln NE 68504**

**MINUTES**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Bernice Afuh, Andrew Brackett, Frances Carodine, Daniel Cobos, Jacque Cook, Christopher Fisher, Susan Goodman, Lee Heerten, Chris Junker, Pedro Mancilla, Wendy McCarty, Pat O'Hanlon, Tim Perlinger, Jim Poppert, Lisa Schulze, Galen Sears, Nancy Vossler, Cindy White, Jill Young, Renae Furl, Dara Pagano, Christine Ross, Jeremy Johnson

**MEMBERS EXCUSED:** Linda Chase, Steve Jackson, Anne O'Keefe, Pat O'Hanlon, Janet Soule, Jeff Tracy

**GUEST:** Martha Wells

**DHHS STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:** Ann Chambers, Heather Younger, Jude Dean, Nancy Jo Hansen, Alison Keyser-Metobo

**RECORDER:** Tracy Moore

**I. Networking**

**II. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 9:09 AM

**A. Roll Call**

Twenty-two (22) members were present for roll call; a quorum (60% of voting members) was established.

**B. Housekeeping/NHCPC Updates**

- Nancy Jo reminded all that reimbursement for mileage needs to be accurate and detailed. Accounting staff uses MapQuest to calculate the address listed from the start and end point, and if there is an issue it will delay reimbursement.
- Nancy Jo asked members to review the handouts and look at the HELP WANTED handout and think about potential candidates for the open positions.

**C. Approval of minutes**

- Moved by Cindy White and seconded by Frances Carodine to approve minutes from April 24, 2014 meeting.

Approval-20

No-0

**D. Introductions of all in attendance**

### **III. NHCPC Purpose of Group and Committee (Christopher Fisher)**

Co-chair Christopher Fisher gave an overview of the group and its purpose. Explained the group is CDC-mandated and its role is to advise DHHS about prevention and care strategies for Nebraska and the needs of the HIV/AIDS community.

Christopher suggested that an NHCPC Facebook page be created as a way for the group to communicate outside of meetings. Christopher volunteered to develop the Facebook page. He also suggested that the group look into using other social media as well.

### **IV. Committee Meetings**

### **V. Committee Reports**

**A. Care and Retention Committee (see committee minutes)**

**B. Linkage to Care Committee (see committee minutes)**

**C. Medical Outcomes Committee (see committee minutes)**

**D. SOUL (New Positives) Committee (see committee minutes)**

### **VI. Iowa Conference (Cindy White/Galen Sears)**

- PWA get jail sentences (25 years) for sexual contact even if status is disclosed
- “HIV is not a Crime” book by Sean Straugh
- Roughly 200 people in prison for crime of just kissing/touching someone just because of status
- “Travata Slut” is a term to describe someone that takes medication and then participates in a behavior that puts them at risk for HIV infection.
- HIV criminalization is also a racial issue
- Repeal Bill is the bill to repeal HIV criminalization law

### **VII. HEP Update (see attached slide presentation)**

### **VIII. TB Update ( see attached slide presentation)**

### **IX. Announcements**

- Jill gave updates on tele-health being used by CAPWN HIV Clinics; very positive responses received by providers and clients.
- Jane Athey is retired, her replacement is Kimberly McClintick.
- Natalie Kent has resigned, new representative for Northern Region is needed.
- Daniel shared that he was audited by the Feds in May and it went well. They currently have 946 active clients. 1430 clients in all.
- Jeremy reported that the ADAP budget looks Ok, \$400,000. In January there were no new patients. In February there were 10 new patients. In March there were 6 new patients. There are currently 450 people receiving ADAP assistance.
- Summary tables were shared from the Ryan White and HOPWA programs noting services provided.

**X. Adjourn**

Cindy white motioned to adjourn, Daniel seconded the motion.  
The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

**The next NHCPC meeting is scheduled for  
OCTOBER 23, 2014  
*The Staybridge Suites in Lincoln.***