

Continuing Education

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NURSES:

Under the auspices of the New England AIDS Education & Training Center, this offering meets the requirements for a maximum of 5.4 contact hours, as specified by the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Nursing (244-CMR 5.04). Each nurse should claim only those hours of credit that he/she actually spent in the educational activity.

PSYCHOLOGISTS:

Fenway Health is approved by the American Psychological Association to sponsor continuing education for psychologists. Fenway Health maintains responsibility for this program and its content. 3 hours/credits of continuing education are offered for this program."

An application to provide CE for **Social Workers** and **Licensed Mental Health Counselors** has been submitted.

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Providing Clinical & HIV Care for Transgender Communities of Color

**An Advanced Training for Medical & Behavioral Health
Providers and Case Managers**

This advance training will provide an overview of the impact of systematic violence and discrimination faced by transgender people of color, including health risk related to HIV, substance abuse, and hormone use. In addition, the strength & resiliency within the community will be discussed. Participants will attend intensive breakout sessions for Medical Providers, Case Managers/Advocacy Providers, and Behavioral Health Providers. The training ends with a consumer panel discussing their experiences with the health care system and suggestions for improving HIV care and services for transgender people of color.

Friday, March 26, 2010

8:00am—2:00pm

**Fenway Health
1340 Boylston Street, 9th Floor
Boston, MA 02215**

Lunch Provided. There is no fee to attend.



Overall Objectives

At the conclusion of this program participants should be able to:

1. Summarize HIV/AIDS epidemiology data for transgender communities of color
2. List key elements that comprise gender identity
3. Identify risk and protective factors for transgender people of color most affected by HIV
4. Relate underlying social, cultural, and economic factors to increased susceptibility to HIV infection within transgender communities of color
5. Identify barriers to risk reduction and treatment adherence for transgender people of color
6. Apply specific strategies to improve access to, engagement with, and retention in care of transgender people of color

Objectives for Breakout Sessions

At the conclusion of this program participants should be able to:

Medical Providers:

1. Acquire clinical interview strategies with transgender patients to discuss HIV risk behaviors
2. Identify 2 health promotion/HIV prevention strategies for transgender patients
3. List the important elements of the protocol for managing hormone treatment for transgender patients

Behavioral Health Providers:

1. Acquire interview culturally competent skills in working with transgender clients of color
2. Identify 3 psychosocial issues that transgender people of color face
3. Incorporate substance use harm reduction techniques into therapeutic sessions

Case Managers/Advocacy Providers:

1. Identify at least two common challenges transgender clients most affected by HIV face in navigating social and medical service systems
2. Identify at least two strategies individual providers can employ to assist transgender clients in navigating social service and medical services systems
3. Identify at least two strategies institutions can employ to assist transgender clients in navigating social service and medical service systems

Agenda

- 8:00am Registration and Continental Breakfast
- 9:00am Welcome
- 9:10am Overview
Lee Thornhill & Bliss Tyler
- 9:30am Presentations on the Impact of Systematic Violence and Discrimination
- Intersection of Race and Gender Identity
Shani Dowd, LCSW
- Clinical Services & Outcomes for Transgender Patients
Kevin Kapila, MD
- Transgender Suicide Statistics and Prevention
Gunner Scott & Ruben Hopwood, M.Div.
- 10:45am Networking Break
- 11:00am Concurrent Breakout Sessions
- Medical Providers
Alex Gonzalez, MD, MPH
- Behavioral Health Providers
AndreA Neumann-Mascis, Ph.D & Shani Dowd, LCSW
- Case Managers/Advocacy Providers
Bliss Tyler & Lina Morales
- 12:30pm Consumer Panel with Lunch
- 1:30pm Closing Remarks & Evaluations

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