

# Arizona Border HIV/AIDS Care Project: Project Implementation

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## El Rio Health Center

### Collaborators

AIDS Education Training Center

Health Foundation

Community Health Center

County Health Department

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Community Health Center

Platicamos Salud

Pima County Health Department

Puentes de Amistad

Sunset Community Health Clinics

Special Immunology Associates

Yuma County Health Department

**HRSA SPNS Border Grantee Meeting**

**January 7-9, 2003**

**Rockville, MD**

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# Establish Formal Collaborator Relationship

- Negotiation and execution of contracts
- Scheduled meeting day and time
- Establish venue for communications
  - ◆ Reports
  - ◆ Issues and concerns

# Outreach

- **Promotora Model (Lay Health Educator)**  
Identify and train promotoras on HIV/AIDS information and facts.  
Identify target populations and outreach activities specific to the population.
- **County C&T Counselors**  
Identify and educate C&T counselors on ABHAC Project.
- **Minority AIDS Initiative Funds (MAI) (2000)**  
Hired .50FTE to educate and enroll minority HIV positives in ADAP.

# Counseling & Testing

- Identify counseling and testing sites
  - ◆ Yuma County Health Dept.
  - ◆ Mariposa Community Health Center
  - ◆ Cochise County Health Dept.
- Educate counselors on ABHAC Project
- Train counselors on documentation for identifying ABHAC participants.
- CDC Training
  - ◆ C&T Spanish

# Enrollment Sites

- Yuma County – Sunset Community Health Center
- Santa Cruz County – Mariposa Community Health Center
- Cochise County – Cochise County Health Dept.

Sites identify an individual responsible for enrolling participants. Training provided on completing enrollment forms and multi-site/local evaluation instruments.

# Education and Training

- Arizona AIDS Education and Training Center
  - ◆ Assessment Instruments
    - ★ Physician Self-Assessment
    - ★ Annual Health Provider Assessment
  - ◆ Standardized Clinic Personnel Training Sessions
- Special Immunology Associates
  - ◆ Physician Training
    - ★ Co-management Model

# Local Evaluation – Impact Consultants

## Responsibilities

- Development of local evaluation instruments
- Writing of protocol for data collection
- Training of collaborators
- Data collection/Data verification
- Local and multi-site data analysis
- Submission to multi-site data center
- Dissemination of findings

# Local Evaluation

## Local Evaluation Issues

- Outreach
  - ◆ General versus Targeted outreach
  - ◆ Outreach versus case finding
  - ◆ Lack of capacity of the BHF to provide outreach in Cochise County
  - ◆ Link to other local and cross border agencies

# Local Evaluation

## Local Evaluation Issues

- Counseling and Testing
  - ◆ Number of people tested in ABHAC project – state data
  - ◆ Confidentiality of counseling and testing on CHCs
  - ◆ Low number of seropositives identified through testing
  - ◆ Provision of results – return rate is very low

# Local Evaluation

## Local Evaluation Issues

- Training of providers
  - ◆ Turnover
  - ◆ Perception of competency in HIV/AIDS care
  - ◆ Cultural and linguistic competency
  - ◆ Co-management model
  - ◆ AETC Training
  - ◆ Evaluation

# Local Evaluation

## Local Evaluation Issues

- Service Provision
  - ◆ Turnover
  - ◆ Confidentiality
  - ◆ Cultural and linguistic competency

# Local Evaluation

## Local Evaluation Issues

- Outcomes
  - ◆ Increased outreach resulting in increased counseling and testing
  - ◆ CD4
  - ◆ Viral Load
  - ◆ Karnofski
  - ◆ Patient Satisfaction
  - ◆ Quality of Life
  - ◆ Location of Service Provision
  - ◆ Skill-building among providers (AETC)