

**HRSA SPNS HIV/AIDS AI/AN Project Conference Call
Monday, July 11, 2005 @ Noon CST**

Participants	
SPIPA	Jutta Riediger, Lisa Shipman, Francisca
NAHC	Karen Saylor, Maritza Penagos
ANTHC	Tracy Speier, Aldrich Mazonna, Melissa
4CC	Kevin Foley, Melvin Harrison, Bonita Baxter
YK	Andrea Savage
NC	
HRSA	Adan Cajina, Sarah Hargrove
OU	Glenn Solomon, K G Anderson, Nancy Sonleitner, Ahmad Saleem

Project Updates:

ANTHC:

- Finished fiscal year by completing focus groups, attending meeting in New Mexico (working on a manuscript on history of events impacting HIV programs).
- National Testing Day – testing campaign in Nome (raffling free sandwiches, movie tickets, and drawing for \$100.00 gift certificate from one of the local merchants). Have had good response and will go through the end of July. Will probably have another one during the regional basketball, Elders & Youth Conference, and during the Iditarod (will be developing more incentives for testing).
- Currently transcribing data which will finish today.
- Closing down fiscal activities.
- Developing manuscripts (will meet with all the different providers including Title III to analyze their data and look at gender differences in HIV Title III data from ANTHC; will meet with providers from Norton Sound to discuss expanding risk assessment and testing referral forms within the medical system in Nome). Will also be doing PSA's.
- Will be going out to villages for HIV education in September.
- Started collaboration this week with the local AIDS Service Organization in Anchorage to develop a youth HIV/AIDS play. It is inline with data from focus groups

in terms of what the villages and how they want the education performed to the youth. Will couple with this protecting campaign at the same time.

- Working with OU on conference abstracts which need to be turned in by July 21 to the review process.
- Responding to KG, Tracy said the name of winner of the raffles will not be announced.

4CC

- Gathering statistics for last year.
- Working on dissemination activities. Kevin asked about cross-site dissemination activities. KG suggested waiting till the end of the call.
- NAN is working on a retreat in September, UNM and NAN will meeting later this month to plan focus groups during the retreat.
- Working on a collaborative health questionnaire located by Bonnie to collect data on the participants.
- Will also be conducting CBPR survey of the participants.
- Getting ready to finalize health survey brochure being worked on by one of the people from Navajo nation.
- Four doctors have made commitment to participate in the provider level intervention. Will be doing a pre and post test based on the study guide, and applying for certification for HIV provider specialist.
- Created PowerPoint slides on client data (number of clients in NAN case management compared to clients receiving care from Gallup Indian Medical Center shows 83% overlap in clients receiving services from both sites). Will track the clients to increase the percentage.
- Using referral and tracking forms. UNM will maintain data on that.
- Glenn asked when the brochure will be ready. Kevin replied hopefully by the end of this month. Glenn requested a copy of the brochure. Kevin asked if Glenn had received the referral tracking form. Glenn replied he had.
- Melvin said that NAN – GIMC data sharing includes clients who not only utilize Gallup Indian Medical Center but also one of the Navajo area Indian Health Services. However, all the information gets to Dr. Iralu at Gallup Indian Medical Center.

Native American Health Center: Holistic Native Network

Project Update

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Data Collection Activities

Outreach Contacts	426	Persons Referred for HIV CTR from F/House	5	Clients referred substance abuse txment	3
Health Surveys	unk	Total Persons receiving HIV CTR	23	UDC visiting drop in Center	58
SPNS Clients Cumulative total	53	Clients receiving Mental health svcs	11	Clients receiving HIV Program Services	unk
Number of new SPNS clients	2	Clients receiving dental svcs	6	Clients receiving medical svcs	20

Other Data Collection

Activities:

- Surveys are being collected after every monthly workshop
- Analyzing surveys from HIV Counseling, Testing & Referral intervention (surveys were collected over 2 months to see how Rapid Testing implementation was going, from client's perspective)
- Continuing 3 month and 1 year follow up QOL surveys
- Looking at a tiered system to counting outreach contacts: condom distributions; 1-3 min intervention and 3-5 min interventions; form is being created for tracking outreach and to be implemented July.

Dissemination Activities:

- Attendance at the Albuquerque Dissemination meeting provided direction. Current focus is on: (1) Anchorage meeting (2) OU Monograph (3) peer reviewed journal.

Training Activities:

- Peer Advocate attended Office of AIDS training: HIV & Homelessness
- Nurse Case Manager attended Office of AIDS training: Working with Challenging Clients

Outreach Activities:

- San Francisco Gay Pride (200 condom packs distributed; 140 1 to 3 min intervention/referrals)
- Beading Class (51 total for 4 classes)
- HIV Education group at friendship house (16)
- Talking Circle with Traditional Leader: (18 attendees)

HIV Program Services Activities:

- Drop In Center is seeing increase of drop ins
- Number of HIV tests we are performing have slightly increased over the last three months
- Number of new SPNS clients have increased by 5 since the beginning of the calendar year
- We will begin offering Rapid Testing at Friendship House this fiscal year
- The Health Educator position at Friendship House is vacant

Contact with other AI/AN SPNS Grantees:

Contact with OU TA Center/HRSA

Other items to be discussed:

Moving conference calls to another day besides Mondays?

- 20 out of 53 clients enrolled in the SPNS program came in for medical treatment in June, six for dental services, and 11 came for mental health services. 23 people came in to get tested in June.
- 51 unduplicated clients attended the beading clients.
- Since the Health Educator position at Friendship House is vacant, NAHC has been providing health education and it has worked well. Will continue to co-facilitate even if the position is filled because the numbers are increasing in Friendship House since opening of a new facility and increase in number of beds from 30 to 80. Foresee numbers for NAHC for testing, health surveys administered, and education groups at Friendship House to rise.
- Requested discussing moving conference calls from Mondays to another day at the end of the call.
- Karen talked about the impact of increase in patients at Friendship house. Had 39 pre post HIV education/knowledge tests last month. Hoping to get support from NCI. Talked to Kevin about that at the last meeting regarding HIV programmatic needs.

YK

- Have a meeting with ANTHC tomorrow. Having been working with them on Community Promise grant since October. They are working with the hospital to do outreach and will hire a community outreach worker who will talk to people in the community and work on survivor stories. Have been developing MOA. It is a CDC prevention grant and there aren't many prevention activities going on out there. They are really good at collaborating with YK. Will be working on it for the next few months.

- K G asked if summers are desolate since everyone is out hunting and gathering. Both Tracy and Andrea agreed. Andrea said it makes it hard to do any outreach or village trip, or planning.
- Andrea announced that she has accepted another position and will be moving. Wont be on the next conference call.
- Melvin said there was a whole section about the projects in Alaska in Arizona Republic last week. Tracy talked about the person mentioned in the article.

SPIPA

South Puget Intertribal Planning Agency: Expanding the Circle of Care

Project Update

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Data Collection Activities

	<i>Current Month</i>	<i>Total</i>
Individual Outreach Contacts	N/19 S/7	N/42 S/29
Group Outreach Contacts	N/102 S/12	N/469 S/260
Community Survey	Completed	Completed
HIV+ clients enrolled to date	N/0	N/0

	<i>Current Month</i>	<i>Total</i>
HIV counseling & testing	N/19 S/0	N/36 S/?
Referral to HIV primary care	N/0	N/0
Number of new HIV+ clients (as a result of SPNS)	N/0	N/0

Planning Activities

Budget Planning
 Program Planning for Summer Youth
 National Testing Day Planning
 Meeting planned with Tribal Clinic Directors, Medical Directors and staff to consider using OraSure Tests
 Contact with CDC and OraSure Manufacturer/Representatives for purchase of product
 Contact with State Health Department on procurement of OraSure Test Kits

Other Data Collection Activities:

Tribal Staff begins data collection for 2005/06 in July
 Meeting scheduled with Tribal Staff to ensure data collection process for 2005/06

Dissemination Activities:

Article about SPNS project in review stages with SPIPA and SPIPA Board
 Board Meeting with Data Presentation by Dr. Karina Uldall moved to September
 SPIPA Newsletter

Local Flyers

Training Activities:

Risk Assessment for Native Americans

Outreach Activities:

Nisqually

Father-Son Picnic through Nisqually Health Clinic – offered educational and prevention material at table
Outreach event for National Testing Day

Shoalwater Bay

Hepatitis Talk to Clinic by Dr. Wendy Owens
Youth Event with Gordon Lightfoot Concert

Contact with other AI/AN SPNS Grantees:

Contact with Alaska – Tracy Speier

Contact with OU TA Center/HRSA

Update offered on dissemination timeline

- Jutta has been in touch with the manufacturer of OraSure and the State Health Department. None have free or low cost test kits available.
- Hope to collaborate with Tracy on an article.
- Kevin said that his project was able to get free OraSure testing kit from the County. The project did have protocol and control procedures in place. Jutta said she tried that was referred by the County to the State. A person from the state will be attending the advisory board this week and present on a survey conducted by the Washington state of all HIV positives in the state asking them about their needs, lifestyle, and drug use. Study found that those on meth ranked lowest on risk recognition. Kevin said there is an initiative through SAMSHA called the HIV rapid testing initiative which offers free kits to substance abuse programs. Kevin suggested going to their website and looking under new initiatives. Glenn said he understood that OraSure people attended one of the meetings in DC and offered free kits to the project. Jutta said she doesn't remember them offering free products. Glenn said he will ask Marguerite research her notes and get to the sales person who made that presentation. Jutta said the kit is not that expensive but the lab cost is. They have offered to train people but so has the state health department. Glenn said OU will try to locate free test kits.

North Carolina (not present during the call but had sent in its project update form).

Native American Interfaith Ministries: The Healing Lodge

Project Update

Conference Call Date:

Data Collection Activities: *Client*

Demographics	3	Risk Behaviors	3
Spirituality	3	Self Value	3
Belief & Behavior	3	Client Satisfaction	3
Attitude & Knowledge (pre)	3	Testing/Counseling	3
Attitude & Knowledge (post)		HIV+ clients enrolled to date	2

Data Collection Activities: *Pastor/Lay*

Demographics	10	Pastor/Lay Care Inventory (pre)	
Spirituality	10	Pastor/Lay Care Inventory (post)	
Attitude & Knowledge (pre)	10	Number of new HIV+ clients (as a result of SPNS)	
Attitude & Knowledge (post)		HIV + clients enrolled to date	

Other Data Collection Activities:

Mike Gross is working on gathering qualitative data from our Lay Health Advisors, persons who have taken the Spiritual Connection workshop and focus of gathering stories of how the workshop has had an impact and picture documentation of Spiritual Connection workshop.

Dissemination Activities:

The Fatherhood Rally was held June 18th at the NC Indian Cultural Center. We set up a booth with brochures etc. It was a great event with 1,100 in attendance.

The Lumberton Housing Authority hosted the Robeson County Task Force Meeting June 22nd. There was 27 in attendance.

The Healing Lodge/ SPNS and Robeson County Health Department, held a community Aids awareness event and screen in Fairmont NC on June 27th. This Aids awareness event was held recognizing the National HIV Testing Day.

Set up booth for the Lumbee Homecoming and parade on July 2nd there was estimated 20,000 + in attendance.

Faith Based Training Activities:

Held part one of the Spiritual Connection, Lay Health Advisors Training at Pleasant View Baptist Church Saturday June 25th in Fairmont NC. There were 10 in attendance.
Agenda for June 25th was as follows? Welcome and Breakfast, Special Project of National Significance Survey. Trisha Carder and Chase Bannister were new presenters for the workshop along with Mike Gross and April Oxendine of RCHD
Session one: Effective Listening and Caring Skills. Lunch
Session Two: Grief and Loss. Break
Session Three: HIV/AIDS and other STDS. End Day One

Second Training is scheduled for July 9th.

Outreach Activities:

We did 20 HIV/AIDS test for the National HIV Testing Day

Contact with other AI/AN SPNS Grantees:

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Contact with OU TA Center/HRSA

Other items to be discussed:

Abstract

HRSA Updates

- No updates

Other items:

- Native People of North America Conference: Tracy said she asked about having a panel for the SPNS project at the local planning meeting for the conference. She suggested OU might want to submit that abstract to have the SPNS projects present to the group. Tracy also suggested having a panel of national tribal leaders but wasn't sure which organization should submit abstract for that. It appears that the

leadership is often not behind the programs due to the sensitivity of the subject matter. Glenn said the National Tribal Chairman's Association is the association to go through. He suggested he can contact some of the Oklahoma chiefs but that is one part of the Indian world. Tracy asked who will submit the abstract. Melvin suggested getting tribal leaders who have experience in doing this sort of work. Tracy said panels are limited to three people and Carol Pescoya will probably be willing to talk about it and discuss the Nome project. Tracy suggested one other person and Melvin. Melvin said he is not a tribal leader. Glenn suggested doing a presentation at the National Tribal Chairman's Association meeting. Tracy said the support of tribal leadership is important in order to have other people consider it as important as well. Tracy asked if HRSA could submit an abstract or will it be OU. Adan said it will be OU because HRSA has to go through a clearance process which would delay matters. Tracy said it will be advantageous for Alaska tribes to know what SPNS is about because they see it as another grant coming in and don't quite grasp the demonstration model, the pilot project, and the evaluation component. They tend to see it as research and shy away from it. Saleem asked if the panel consists of 3 people. Tracy said yes, but we may be able to get an exception. Glenn suggested if three of the projects would want to do it, then OU will write the abstract. It appears that Tracy's project would be on the panel, therefore she can ask for volunteers from other projects. Kevin suggested trying to get an exception. Tracy and Melvin agreed. Glenn suggested sending an abstract before the deadline with every project and then to resend it with three projects if it is rejected before the deadline. Glenn suggested OU can write an abstracts and add later the projects that are going. Melvin said he will try to find a tribal leader who has good experience. Tracy said she wants to avoid the panel to be dominated by Alaska representatives. Glenn asked Tracy to survey the six projects as who will like to be on the panel and OU will construct the abstract for that project and send it to her.

- 2005 Grantee Meeting: Saleem asked for feedback regarding the dates (March 1, 2, 3, & 22, 23, 24). Jutta said she will check and let him know. Saleem said if these two dates don't work out, then he will send out some other dates as well. Jutta asked why the meeting was being held so late into the year. Adan said grantee meeting is held once a year and there were two this year because the funding came from OU's budget. Responding to Saleem's inquire to have the meeting in either February or April, Tracy said ANTHC wont be able to make it due to Regional Basketball, Elders & Youth Conference, and the Iditarod during the first part of March. This is where most of the outreach activities for the project take place. Saleem said he would look for dates in April.
- Coordination between the projects: Kevin asked if OU had sent out notes on multi-site dissemination ideas discussed in Albuquerque, NM. Glenn asked if 4CC and San Francisco were going to work on a dissemination project together. Karen said they were interested but haven't gotten to the point of setting up a meeting. Glenn asked if there were other projects coordinating their activities. Tracy said ANTHC and YK had discussed doing something with the focus group data that they have. Jutta said SPIPA may join in that project. Tracy said she understood that this

dissemination project wasn't a part of the conference. Glenn agreed. KG said OU can facilitate phone calls at any time for cross-site discussion on dissemination.

- Moving the phone calls: Glenn asked about moving the conference call from Mondays. Kevin said any other day was bad for him. Tracy said Mondays and Fridays worked for her. Maritza said Friday will work for her. Jutta and Kevin said they can't do it on Fridays. Karen and Maritza agreed to keep the conference call on Mondays. Glenn reminded that the individual project conference calls are next week and to let OU know if they contacted each other regarding dissemination or if there were any questions regarding the upcoming conference in Anchorage.
- NNAAPC: Glenn asked if anyone had contacted with NNAAPC. Discussion revolved around that.
- Conclusion: Saleem will resend the notes on Albuquerque.

Conference call ended at 1:00 pm