

HRSA SPNS American Indian/Native Alaskan Grantees Conference Call February 3, 2003 at 12 Noon CST

Participants: *OU Research and Evaluation Center* - David Barney, Marguerite Keese, Tim Brittingham, Ahmad Saleem Ahmad, Paul Rowe. *HRSA* - Kathleen Handley, Sandra Duggan, Sarah Hargrove. *NNAAPC* - Allison Whitmore. *Robeson Health Care Corporation* - Millard Lowry, Jr., Jennifer McLamb, Ottis Murray, Jo Lance. *SPIPA* - Jennifer Olson, Karina Uldall. *YKHC* - Gloria Eldridge, Amber Norgaard, Carl Evans, Mark Anaruk, Andrea Savage. *San Francisco* - Parousha Zand, Karen Saylor. *Anchorage* - Tracy Speier, Joan Donick.

INTRODUCTIONS:

Grantees, Evaluators and HRSA Project Directors were given the opportunity to introduce themselves. Everyone was encouraged to visit the project web site for updates and an overview of the various organizations.

<http://www.ou.edu/socialwork/hiv/>

HRSA Issues:

Demographic Variables, Demographic Data, Development of appropriate Modules, Grantee Meeting of March 20th and 21st - Appointments with Project Directors and Grantees to be scheduled for the first day.

Areas of Focus:

Robeson Health Care Corporation

Millard Lowry, Jr. reported for Robeson Health Care Corporation that Abstracts for APHA have been completed and submitted, and Mr. Lowry approved of modifications made at the OU Research and Evaluation Center by Marguerite Keese.

Mr. Lowry was announced that Robeson was able to conduct an outreach screening on January 14th with seventeen (17) tested, and zero (0) positive cases reported. Five (5) individuals have been identified as refusing to be tested, and follow through is planned in the immediate future.

One priority is to complete project forms and forwarded to Tim Brittingham.

The project has received IRB approval, and personnel and equipment are in place to begin services. The Pastoral piece is ready to start training. Semi-Annual report is being initiated after receiving forms.

SPIPA

Jennifer Olson and Karina Uldall reported for SPIPA. The mid-year report was submitted last week, and they are waiting for IRB approval. The hiring process for the project continues. Help is needed for forms formatting is being requested of Tim Brittingham.

Tracy Speier and Joan Donick reported for Anchorage. The semi-annual report has been submitted, and a budget revision is currently being completed. The IRB is being reviewed in February.

The State Department of Corrections has agreed to a coordinating meeting to provide access to their population for the project. Form releases will be needed from the Department of Corrections for submission to the IRB. The project has hired a new Data Manager. A Title III Data Transfer System has submitted to the IRB for approval.

Yukon-Kuskokwim Health Corporation

Amber Norgaard, Andrea Savage, and Carl Evans reporting that their project is fully staffed, and the IRB review is scheduled for February 18, 2003. The semi-annual report has been submitted. The resume for Andrea Savage is to be submitted to HRSA. Mark Anaruk is at the Research and Evaluation Center for a Technical Assistance Workshop this week. Planned data collection will initially be for in-house only. New project offices for YHKC are in the Anchorage Business Park.

Native American Health Center/Friendship House

Karen Saylor and Parousha Zand report an Abstract has been submitted to Marguerite Keese. The IRB review is in the final process, and they have received a response with minor comments which are being finalized for submission. Data will not be collected without the IRB approval. There is currently a Health Educator training staff, and project personnel are looking forward to implementation. Work is progressing on demographic forms.

Announcements: Allison Whitmore reported that the Two Spirit Training Resource Guide is on the web site, and she has sent a link for scholarship information in the e-mail about the conference.

ALL THINGS CONNECTED conference scheduled for May 1st and 2nd in Savannah, Georgia.

David D. Barney advised he is teaching an Internet course which is available to

anyone who wants to follow along with the class schedule. The course is PROGRAM EVALUATION and is available at no cost to those interested. The course can be found on the Faculty Page of the OU web site.

Dr. Barney requested twenty-three (23) copies be provided by the grantees for the March 20th - 21st Grantees Meeting. Dr. George Huba will be attending the meeting in Rockville, MD.

Sit Visits are being planned.