SUMMER PRACTICUM EXPERIENCE AT SAN FRANCISCO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

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PRACTICUM OVERVIEW

- 3 months
- 4 days per week
- Unpaid
- Population-based approach to HIV prevention in San Francisco, CA


**PROJECTS**

- Power Point creation and co-facilitation of HIV Prevention Plan
- Sfhiv website development
- HIV counselor and tester training manual editing and development
Our Mission is to reduce HIV infection through promoting health and enabling individuals and communities to increase control over conditions affecting their health.
Our overall goal is to reduce new HIV infections by 50% by 2017. Our specific objectives are to:
- Reduce new HIV infections among men who have sex with men (MSM) by 50%;
- Reduce new HIV infections among transpersons by 50%;
- Eliminate new infections among IDUs; and
- Eliminate perinatal infections.
In reaching the above objectives, we believe we will also achieve the goal of keeping HIV infection rates among non-injecting biological women and men who have sex exclusively with women extremely low, because most transmission within these groups is due to transmission from MSM or IDUs.
SAN FRANCISCO 2010 HIV PREVENTION PLAN

- developed by the HIV Prevention Planning Council in partnership with the San Francisco Department of Public Health AIDS Office
- lays out the framework for HIV prevention in San Francisco for the next five years (2010-2014).
- May be downloaded here: http://sfhiv.org/community.php
HIGH SCHOOL OUTINGS

- HIV prevention in partnered San Francisco high schools
- Safer Sex education with high school students at lunch time
  - Games
  - Riddles/puzzles
  - Free condoms
CONFERENCE ON AFRICAN AMERICANS AND HIV

- 2 day conference Addressing health disparities in the African American community

- Topics:
  - epidemiology, cultural considerations impacting HIV prevention and treatment, stigma, how HIV, racism and homophobia are connected, LGBT issues, strategies for addressing health disparities
CONFERENCE ON AFRICAN AMERICANS AND HIV: AGENDA DAY 1

- **Part 1: Friday June 10th, 2011**
- **8:30 - 9:00** Registration & continental breakfast
- **9:00 - 9:10** Welcome and Overview of the Trainings
- **9:10 - 9:25** Overview of Health Disparities in San Francisco
- **9:25 - 10:25** The HIV Epidemic and African Americans
- **10:25 - 11:25** Historical & Cultural Considerations that Impact Prevention and Care
- **11:35 - 12:35** Panel of HIV-infected and affected African Americans living in SF
- **12:35 - 1:35** LUNCH (on your own)
- **1:35 - 2:35** Incarceration and HIV
- **2:35 - 3:35** How Racism & Homophobia Can Increase HIV risk
- **3:45 - 4:50** HIV & Stigma
- **4:50 - 5:00** Wrap up and evaluations
CONFERENCE ON AFRICAN AMERICANS AND HIV: DAY 2

8:30 - 9:00 Registration and Continental Breakfast
9:00 - 9:10 Welcome and Overview
9:10 - 10:10 Co-Morbidities: HIV, & other Health Disparities
10:10 - 11:10 Community Viral Load: What It Means for African Americans in SF
11:20 - 12:20 Substance use and HIV
12:20 - 1:20 LUNCH (on your own)
1:20 - 2:20 Transgender Issues in the African American community
2:20 - 3:20 Social Networks
3:30 - 4:10 DPH Response: The Next Five Years
4:10 - 4:50 The Power of One: Turning information into Action
4:50 - 5:00 Wrap up and evaluations
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<td>HIV 101</td>
<td>Jonathan Fuchs</td>
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<td>PrEP &amp; Microbicides 101</td>
<td>Al Liu</td>
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<td>Tuesday, 6/14</td>
<td>Tracking the HIV Epidemic in San Francisco</td>
<td>Willi McFarland</td>
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<td>Thursday, 6/16</td>
<td>Vaccines 101</td>
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<td>Tuesday, 6/21</td>
<td><em>Unnatural Causes</em> (video)</td>
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<td>Thursday, 6/23</td>
<td>Mobilizing the Community: Strengths-Based Model</td>
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<td>Tuesday, 6/28</td>
<td>Responsible Conduct of Research</td>
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<td>Thursday, 6/30</td>
<td>Clinical Research Methods &amp; Analysis: Terminology and Basic Concepts</td>
<td>Milo Santos</td>
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## WEEKLY INTERN TRAININGS

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<td>Thursday, 7/21</td>
<td>African American Populations and HIV (tentative)</td>
<td>UNITY Team &amp; Black Brothers Esteem (tentative)</td>
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<td>Tuesday, 7/26</td>
<td>HIV Prevention through Substance Use Reduction</td>
<td>Deirdre Santos</td>
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<td><strong>Friday</strong> 7/29</td>
<td>Prevention with Positives and Community Viral Load</td>
<td>Moupali Das</td>
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<td>Emergency Response/Outbreak</td>
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<td>Thursday, 8/4</td>
<td>Monitoring Diseases - Surveillance, Databases, Sampling</td>
<td>Priscilla Chu</td>
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<td>Tuesday, 8/9</td>
<td>Intern Research Project Presentations</td>
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<td>Thursday, 8/11</td>
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SHADOWING THE DIRECTOR

- Grant Colfax
- Ward 86
- SF General Hospital
REFERENCES

- www.sfhiv.org