

# Hudson Valley RW HIV CARE Network

**Consumer Involvement Committee Meeting**  
280 Broadway, 4th Floor Newburgh, NY 12550  
40 Saw Mill River Rd. Hawthorne, NY 10532  
June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2009 12:30pm-2:30pm

**Present:** (Hawthorne) Susie A., Victor M., David N.  
(Newburgh) Nathan B., Agripino B., Larry C., Michael G., Leon W., Ronnie W.

## **Overview**

Everyone received the agenda, the minutes, a memo for the Youth Outreach Campaign, and evaluations. Minutes were accepted as amended (Larry C., Michael G.). Updates were given on all the committees (see attached).

## **Old Business**

### • **Youth Education Project**

- David came to speak about how we can get started on some preliminary work for this project:
- The first thing to consider is transportation. In other words, can we get transportation to the venue? Choose a school that is close enough to get people there.
- The next is, knowing your population. Consider the school and the population of teens, for instance:
  - Is the school interested?
  - What are the limits of what we can talk about?
  - Does the school have comprehensive sex education?
  - What are the issues in the area where the school is?
  - Think about how you got HIV and how it could have been prevented/avoided and how you can convey that to them.
  - Think about it from the teen's perspective. Be open and honest, don't use language such as you should or you shouldn't; don't use judgements; its not about blame.
- Put together your own narrative, write it down or record it, have an outline and rehearse it. Perhaps write a few outlines adjusting for different audiences.
- Also, decide what you want to disclose. You don't have to disclose certain details if you feel uncomfortable sharing it.

## **New Business**

### • **Gilead**

The pharmacy group will be invited to our next General Membership Meeting in October. They will provide us with treatment updates for both providers and consumers. Susie and Victor motioned to accept this invitation.

### • **Cicatelli curriculum**

We are hoping to have Cicatelli do a training for us sometime in November.

## **Announcements**

- August 9<sup>th</sup> is the Living Together Picnic. We plan on getting transportation for the upper counties.
- Our youth education ad hoc conference call will be next Friday June 25<sup>th</sup> at 10:30.
- Susie A. will bring some information for the next meeting on PC Re-new which is a company that gives people free computers for a good cause

There was a motion to adjourn (Susie A., Michael G.)

Respectfully Submitted,

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