

Nevada Ending the Epidemic Workgroup
Monday, February 1st, 2021, 12-1 pm
Meeting Notes

There were 26 EHE Workgroup Members Present

I. Updates:

- RW Part A- Heather Shoop: They are still trying to hire an EHE Project Coordinator for the EHE Project. Vanessa Cruz has been hired as the RWPA SPNS Capacity Building project coordinator. Vanessa was introduced to the group.
- RW Part B- Tory Johnson: A couple of position vacancies have been filled. MA2 (previous Karen Long) will start on 2/22/2021, an administrative assistant will also begin on 2/22/2021, Vanessa C. was promoted within the department, and that position will be filled on 3/8/2021. The grant project coordinator listing will close tomorrow.
- SNHD/Fast Track Cities-Cheryl Radeloff: The SoN HPPG met a couple of weeks ago. SNHD has also designed Empowerment Change, an HIV testing class with learning modules, and it is a two-day class instead of a three-day class. They will announce the dates for the course soon. SNHS also has HIV and STI home testing program collect-2-protect that is being implemented statewide.
- WCHD- Jen Howell: No announcements
- NNHopes-Not Present
- CCHHS-Frances Ashely- they encourage those with HIV to get the COVID vaccine via the case manager contact.
- State Prevention Programs-Preston Tang: Their office has hired an HIV Epidemiologist.
- Modernization efforts: Andre Wade: The HIV Modernization bill is being drafted. The modernization coalition is developing a website. Bill updates: access to PrEP bill (BDR 4563) will not go through because it has a fiscal note attached to it. The HIV opt-out testing bill (BDR 22-480) will go through and is being sponsored through Senator Harris. For more information, please contact André Wade at andre@silverstateequality.org.

II. EHE Project Updates:

- Victoria Young: Summarized the EHE initiative in Nevada to date. The creation of the EHE Workgroup in January 2019, the completion of the Clark County EHE Plan in September 2020, and the State of Nevada Plan in December 2020. The EHE Workgroup will continue to meet monthly as the group requires and will support agencies in their role in implementing the EHE Plans.
- Heather Shoop presented on the RW Part A SPNS Capacity Building Assistance Initiative.
- One participant expressed interest in becoming part of the EHE Workgroup, and directions on how to sign up for the EHE listserv were given.

Next meetings:

- Monday, March 1st, 12-1 pm via phone and Zoom
- Monday, April 5th, 12-1 pm via phone and Zoom