



CHIPTS Community Forum
Tom Bradley Room - Los Angeles City Hall
12:00-5:00pm, Tuesday, June 24th 2014

11:30-12:15: **Lunch**

12:15-1:00: **Convening remarks**

- Welcome (Mary Jane Rotheram, CHIPTS Director)
- Opening Comments (Herb J. Wesson Jr., Los Angeles City Council President)
- Framing remarks: The Changing Face of the Los Angeles County HIV Epidemic: Challenges, Opportunities, and DHSP Research Priorities (Mario J. Pérez, Director, Los Angeles County Department of Public Health Division of HIV and STD Programs [DHSP])

PLENARY SESSIONS

1:00-1:45: **Health Disparities** (Facilitator: Kiesha McCurtis, UCLA)

- PrEP adherence in Black MSM: Data from HPTN 073 and HPTN 069 (Steve Shoptaw, Co-Director, CHIPTS, Director, CBAM)
- Differential access to PrEP: How do we improve PrEP access for minority populations? Future directions with an injectable long lasting PrEP agent (Steve Shoptaw representing Raphy Landovitz, UCLA)
- Getting to Wellness: Health of Transgender Individuals in Los Angeles County (A.J. King)

1:45-2:30: **Enhancing linkage, retention, and reengagement in care** (Facilitator: Kevin Farrell, CHIPTS)

- Los Angeles County's Project Engage and Navigation Program: linking and engaging HIV+ persons not in care (Amy Wohl, Chief Epidemiologist, L.A. County DHSP)
- Novel strategies to engage in self-care and provider interventions (Dallas Swendeman, Co-Director, CHIPTS)

2:30-2:45: **Break**

2:45-3:30: **Behavioral Economics: Principles and applications to enhance HIV prevention and treatment** (Facilitator: Amy Ragsdale, CHIPTS)

- Basic principles and applications (Kimberly Ling, UCLA)
- HIV Applications (Sebastian Linnemayr, RAND)

3:30-4:15: **Implementation & translation - From theory to practice** (Facilitator: Aaron Fox, Los Angeles LGBT Center)

- Implementation 101: Theories of translation research, approaches, and evidence-based practices (Mary Jane Rotheram)
- Public policy implications & AIDS Coordinator's Office White Paper (Ricky Rosales, City of Los Angeles AIDS Coordinator's Office)

4:15-4:45: **Discussion: Strategies to effectively move from demonstration projects to sustainable programs** (Amy Ragsdale)

4:45-5:00: **Closing comments**

CHIPTS Community Forum Bios:

OPENING COMMENTS:

Councilmember **Herb J. Wesson, Jr.** was unanimously elected President of the Los Angeles City Council on November 23, 2011 and officially took office January 2, 2012. He was elected to represent the 10th Council District of the City Los Angeles in a Special Election in November 2005 as held office in that District ever since. He has a longstanding commitment to HIV prevention and treatment in Los Angeles where, as Chair of the Housing, Community and Economic Development Committee, Councilmember Wesson, successfully spearheaded City Council to provide a 24% increase in funding for HIV testing in the City of Los Angeles.

HEALTH DISPARITIES:

Steve Shoptaw is the CHIPTS Co-Director and Director of the CHIPTS Combination Prevention Core. He is also a Professor in the UCLA Department of Family Medicine and directs the Center for Behavior and Addiction Medicine (CBAM). His work has focused on the intersection of addiction and HIV prevention.

AJ King has worked for many years in the field of public health, most recently overseeing a national capacity building assistance program funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for health departments and community-based organizations and was one of the coordinators for the CHIPTS Transgender Wellness Consortium and Report.

ENHANCING LINKAGE, RETENTION, AND REENGAGEMENT IN CARE

Dallas Swendeman is Co-Director of CHIPTS and a behavioral scientist who has worked in HIV prevention and care support over the past 20 years. Over the past six years he has focused on mobile technology-based solutions to addressing persistent challenges in HIV prevention and treatment support.

Amy Wohl is a Chief Epidemiologist and Chief of the Special Projects Unit at the Division of HIV and STD Programs in the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health. Dr. Wohl oversees research and demonstration projects to reduce disparities in access, linkage, and re-engagement of HIV+ persons who are out of care and HIV and STD epidemiologic projects that support community planning and improved prevention and control of HIV and STDs.

BEHAVIORAL ECONOMICS

Kimberly Ling-Murtaugh's work focuses on how behavioral economics can help promote positive health behaviors and is currently working with CHIPTS researchers on HIV screening rates in California. She recently worked on a team creating Technical Guidelines for stimulant users at risk for HIV/AIDS for the UN, and has worked on studies focusing on the health of gay and bisexual men at risk for HIV since 1997.

Sebastian Linnemayr is an economist at the RAND Corporation and associate director of the RAND Center on Research and Policy in International Development (RAPID), part of RAND Labor and Population. His current research focuses on the use of economic incentives and insights from behavioral economics on medication adherence, in particular for people living with HIV in sub-Saharan Africa.

IMPLEMENTATION & TRANSLATION

Mary Jane Rotheram is the Director of CHIPTS. Her work developing, evaluating, and implementing evidence-based interventions for people at risk for HIV has been internationally recognized.

Ricky Rosales has been with the AIDS Coordinator's Office since 2004 and was appointed as the City AIDS Coordinator in 2012. Ricky leads the City's policy and programmatic efforts to stem the spread of HIV and Hepatitis in Los Angeles and represents the City on local, state and national bodies.