



**HIV & Dental Health**  
This workshop will provide participants with information regarding oral health conditions that affect persons with HIV. Participants will learn to identify oral health problems, basic oral hygiene techniques, and learn about client referral guidelines.

Presenter: Linda Ferraro, RDH  
Date: April 10, 2008 Time 9-1PM

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**Introduction to Medical Case Management**  
This workshop will provide HIV Case Managers with the basic knowledge of what Medical Case Management is, how to effectively assess for medical co-morbidities, and perform effective referrals. Participants will also learn the skills to improve medical case management outcomes and identify strategies to improve linkages with medical providers.

Presenters: TBA  
Date: TBA

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CONTINUING EDUCATION (CE)  
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## Mission

To provide a statewide education, training and public forum across local, regional and statewide programs involved in HIV/AIDS services delivery

## Goal

To provide HIV related capacity building technical assistance to all HIV Care & Prevention Providers across the State of Connecticut.

## Objectives

1. To ensure that all newly hired HIV Care & Prevention providers attend & complete Pre-requisite Course within one year of hire.
2. To ensure that all existing HIV Care & Prevention providers attend & complete required courses per HRSA and CDC funded standards of care/contractual agreements.
3. To Provide funded HIV Care & Prevention Providers with basic pre-requisite training a minimum of twice per year. This training includes: HIV 101, STD's, Basics of HEP (A, B, and C), Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Substance Abuse 101, Cultural Competency, and Medical & Legal Basics of HIV.
4. To provide all newly funded HIV Prevention Counselors & Educators with training within one year of hire.
5. To provide all newly funded HIV Care Case Managers with training on the Fundamentals of HIV Case Management within one year of hire.



### Addiction & HIV

This workshop will provide participants with information on the relationship between addiction to substances and how addiction impacts HIV Prevention & Care. Participants will identify strategies to engage clients to

- 1) Reduce their risk for HIV
- 2) Improve those who are positive to manage their HIV Care

Presenter: Diane Michelson Advanced Behavioral Health (ABH, Inc)

Date: May 6, 2008

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### Harm Reduction Update: Meeting people where they are

This workshop will provide participants with updated information on Harm Reduction Practice. Participants will learn skill-building exercises to help improve providers ability to meet clients

Presenter: James Wuelfing, CPP New England Center

Date: May 7, 2008

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### HIV Today

This workshop will provide educators an overview on the present HIV trends and its progression from acute to chronic stages, and treatment modalities according to research findings.

Presenter: Raul Pino, M.D. Epidemiologist 3, DPH

Date: May 8, 2008

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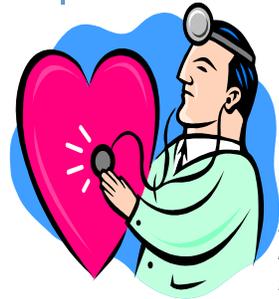
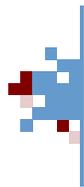
### Motivational Interviewing (MI) \* Part 1-3

This workshop provides the basic training on MI which focuses on strategies for developing client commitment to change and methods for collaboratively developing an action plan. Participants will have the opportunity to rehearse new skills through demonstration exercises.

Presenter: Raymond "Chip" Tafrate

Date: May 27-29, 2008

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**Strategies for Connecting to care: Addressing unmet need in HIV**  
This two-day interactive workshop will provide participants with strategies to address unmet need. Participants will also explore client barriers and needs, as well as the challenges that providers face working with organizations to

*Presenters: Maureen Reault, HPA & Marianne McDougall, CHES, HPA*  
*Date: April 3 & 4, 2008*

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**Hot Topic: Crystal Meth**  
This workshop will provide participants with information and statistics about this current drug trend, and discuss the myths & facts of Crystal Meth use. Participants will learn how to educate clients about the use of this drug and where to access resources and referral information.

*Presenter: Cindi Smith, Corrections Managed Care*  
*Date: April 22, 2008*

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**Basic Communication Skills**  
This workshop will provide participants with the basic skills needed for communicating effectively and efficiently with their clients. Participants will learn through role-play, and other skill building activities how to implement effective communication skills in work setting.

*Presenter: Marianne McDougall, CHES, HPA*  
*Date: April 23, 2008*

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**HIV/Humor**  
This workshop will give participants a light-hearted view of working in what is sometimes a stressful role for both provider and client. Participants will learn to use humor & laughter as a way to reduce stress and boost healthy

*Presenter : Bill Petrosky*  
*Date: April 24, 2008*

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6. To provide yearly continuing education (CE) workshops between September -May. (Part B/CDC funded providers are required to take a minimum of 12 hours of trainings per year in order to maintain certification).
7. To assist in the cross training of staff across the state for Integrating Routine Prevention Counseling into Medical Care.

### What trainings does DPH provide?

The Department of Public Health provides training for funded and non-funded HIV Care & Prevention Providers. The trainings are categorized by Modules & Tracks. Currently DPH provides the following Tracks & Modules:

1. Pre-Requisite Modules
2. Core Tracks

### What does the Pre-requisite Modules include?

- HIV 101
- STD's
- Substance Abuse
- Hepatitis C Virus (HCV)
- HIV Legal Issues
- TB
- Info-line 211
- Sexual Assault
- Domestic Violence
- Cultural Competency: A primer



\*\*\*The pre-requisite modules are offered twice a year and are open to all Newly Hired Care & Prevention Providers. The pre-requisite training is mandatory for all new Part B funded providers. Priority registration for CDC & Part B funded providers, if space allows, non-funded providers will be permitted to attend.

## What do the Core Tracks include?

The following Tracks are provided by DPH:

### Prevention Counselor (PC- Code)

- Fundamentals of HIV Prevention Counseling- five day training for New HIV Prevention Counselors.
- In addition, PC Electives must be taken to maintain certification.

### Medical Case Manager (MCM-Code)

- Fundamentals of Medical Case Management-three day training for New Medical Case Managers.
- In addition, MCM Elective must be taken to adhere to Standards of Care.

### Comprehensive Risk Counseling Service Provider (CRCS-Code)

- Foundations of Comprehensive Risk Counseling Services-three day training for new CRCS providers.
- In addition, CRCS Electives must be taken to adhere to CRCS Policy & Procedure.

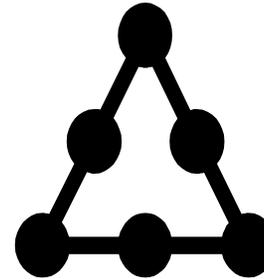
### Prevention Educator (PE- Code) & Outreach Worker (OW-Code)

- Fundamentals of HIV Prevention Education training- five day training for new HIV Prevention Educators and Outreach Workers.
- In addition, Prevention and Outreach Worker electives must be taken to maintain Certification requirements.

### Other Core Tracks

- Drug Treatment Advocate (DTA- Code)
- Syringe Exchange Provider (SEP- Code)
- \*\*Consumer Module (Coming Soon!)

*If you are not currently funded Part B or CDC Prevention Provider and are interested in the above trainings, please contact Marianne McDougall @ 860-509-8053*



### Use of Social Networking as a tool for recruitment

This workshop will provide participants with an understanding of the Social Networks Strategy (SNS) as a way to engage at risk populations in for Counseling, Testing, and Referrals Services (CTR). Participants will also develop the knowledge and skills needed to successfully implement an SNS for CTR in their agencies.

*Presenter: Raul Pino, M.D. & Marianne McDougall*  
*Date: March 10-12, 2008* PC/PE



### Domestic Violence

This workshop will explore the dynamics of domestic violence issues and how they relate to HIV Care & Prevention. Participants will understand what constitutes an abusive intimate relationship and develop skills in interviewing survivors and assessing risk, with attention to client safety and strengths. resources available to survivors within the community and the legal/criminal justice system, with particular attention to CT laws and resources.

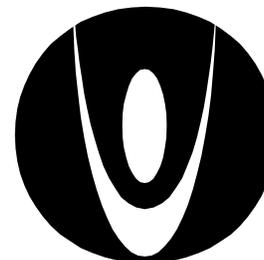
*Presenter: Linda Blozie, CCDAV* GE  
*Date: March 25, 2008*



### HIV Co-Morbidities: Mental Health & Substance Abuse

This workshop will provide participants with the basic information on how co-morbidities, such as substance abuse and mental health issues impact HIV.

*Presenters: Karina Danvers, BA, MA CAETC*  
*Date: March 26, 2008* GE

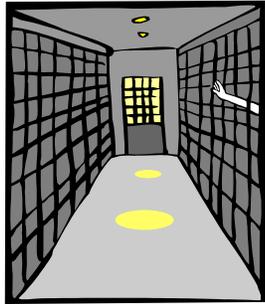


### HIV/AIDS Stigma & Access to Care

This workshop will help participants examine the role of HIV/AIDS related stigma plays in HIV testing behavior, the disclosure of positive serostatus, and entry into HIV/AIDS care.

*Presenters: Karina Danvers, BA, MA CAETC*  
*Date: March 27, 2008* MCM/CRCS

## CONTINUING EDUCATION WORKSHOPS



### Working with the incarcerated

This workshop will provide participants with the knowledge, skills, and strategies to work effectively with persons who are incarcerated or the who were recently released from incarceration. Providers will learn about the resources available for clients and how to engage clients back into care.

Presenter: Brian Goodrich

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Date: Feb 27, 2008



### Addressing Prevention for Positives

This workshop will explore sexual and drug related risk behavior among those living with HIV and how to work with clients to reduce their risk for re-infection and other co-morbidities.

Presenters: Karina Danvers, BA, MA CAETC

Date: Feb, 28, 2008

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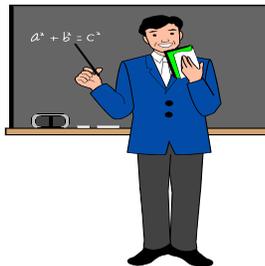
### Skill Enhancement for Seasoned Counselors (5+ yrs)

This workshop will provide seasoned counselors with skill building exercises needed to help counselors continue to provide quality prevention counseling in multiple settings. Participants will also be updated on any DPH protocol & policy changes.

Presenters: Marianne McDougall & Maureen Reault

Dates: March 3, 2008

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### Group Facilitation Skills

This workshop is designed to provide a foundation for effectively facilitating presentation, workshops, and Effective Behavioral Interventions. Participant will practice skills and techniques of effective facilitators.

Presenter: Gina D'Angelo, CHEC Trainer, HPA

Date: Mar 6, 2008

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## CONTINUING EDUCATION (CE) SERIES

At this time, we are offering CE workshops to all HRSA Part B and CDC funded HIV Care & Prevention Providers across the state. Space is limited for non-funded providers, and those who are not currently certified. The CE workshops are free and space is limited to 30 people. The CE workshops are offered so that providers can meet HIV care and prevention training requirement standards. Attendance for non-certified providers is on a first come, first served basis. The following contains important policy notices for certified providers and the continuing education workshop schedule for the 2007-2008 year. It is necessary that you read this carefully.

*All currently valid HIV Prevention Counselors and HIV Prevention Educator certificates of training will expire on June 30, 2008. At that time, the certificates of those who have met the 2008 renewal requirements will be renewed for the following fiscal year.*

July 1 2007- June 30, 2008. The renewal requirements for 2007 are two 6-hour workshops or the equivalent, which are related to HIV Prevention Counseling or HIV Prevention Education. The following explains the criteria to qualify for certificate renewal.

**Special Requirements for HIV Prevention Counselors:** If you are renewing your HIV Prevention Counselor certificate and you did not attend the HIV Prevention Counselor Skills Enhancement course, you may be required to attend this year and will be notified of this under separate cover.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR  
CURRENT CERTIFIED COUNSELORS AND  
EDUCATORS**

**How to obtain workshop credits:**

To qualify for certificate renewal, you must obtain 12 credits during the calendar year . July 1 2007- June 30, 2008.



There are general electives and required workshops. **General Electives (GE)** can be taken in addition to the required workshops. Required workshops are those workshops that are specific to the role of the certified/non- certified provider.

**Required Workshops:**

There will be at least one **Required Workshop** during the contract year for certified providers (Counselors & Educators). Non Part B funded or non certified providers are welcomed to attend in order to satisfy other trainings standards and or requirements. You must attend at least one required workshop (that you have not already attended) from the Continuing Education Workshop Schedule that is part of this notice. (If you have attended all of the required workshops, you may earn all of the credits needed from the non-required workshops listing or by attending an outside workshop and submitting a waiver form).

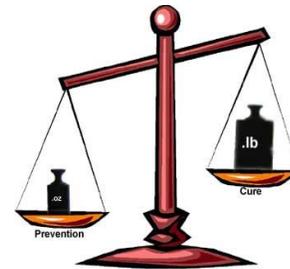
Required workshops may also be waived if you have attended an equivalent workshop or course since July 1, 2007. A waiver application form will mailed out at the provider request.

**HIV & Drugs**

Presenter: Mark Kinzly Yale University

Date: February 14, 2008 Time 9-4PM

All



**Session I**

**Preventing Drug Overdose**

This workshop will provide participants who work with active substance users a basic knowledge on drug overdose, safer injections, and how to prevent drug overdose. Participants will learn how to teach their clients how reduce their risk for overdose and identify where they can access resources and services.



**Session II**

**Drug Trends**

This workshop will give participants an update on current drug use trends among populations most at risk. Participants will also receive information on reducing drug use while helping clients to be safer and healthy.



**Session III**

**HIV TX Interactions: What to know about HIV Medications & Street Drugs**

This workshop will provide participants with the basic information how HIV medications can interact with street drugs. Participants will also learn about how the use of street drugs impacts HIV treatment adherence and keeping clients in care.



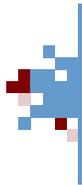
**Deaf and Hard of Hearing**

This workshop will provide participants with a basic understanding of how to work effectively with clients who are deaf and hard of hearing.

Presenters: Harold Vrenna , Counselor for the Deaf

Date: May, 13, 2008

All



## REGISTRATION INFORMATION

**P**re-registration is required for all course participation. Either mail or fax the DPH Registration Form (s) directly to the Prevention Unit Training Assistant, as listed on the bottom of this page. **If faxing, please remember to retain a copy of the transmittal report from your fax machine, which confirms receipt.** Ensure that all your registration information is legible, accurate AND complete.

Check the Registration Eligibility Codes information in each course description to determine your eligibility, as some courses do have restricted enrollment eligibility requirements.

**Registrations will be processed on a rolling admission basis, as received. Participants will receive a phone call as to the confirmation of attendance, location, time, and credit hours offered. PLEASE and MARK YOUR CALENDARS & COMMIT TO ATTEND!!**

Send registration forms to:  
Attention: Dorine Testori  
Fax 860-509-7853  
410 Capital Avenue MS#11 APV  
P.O Box 340308  
Hartford, CT 06134-0308

## Important Notices\*

- Participants must attend all parts, e.g. part 1,2,3, in order to receive full credit for attendance.
- Participants who arrive late or who leave early will not receive the full credit attendance.

If the required workshop is waived, you must take another required workshop or, if you have completed all of the required workshops, you must take an elective or attend an outside workshop and submit a waiver form.

### Other workshops:

You must obtain enough other workshop credits so that the total credits equal the number you need (12 credits per year). These workshop credits can be obtained in two ways:

- By receiving credit for attending a workshop conference or seminar not sponsored by the Department of Public Health AIDS & Chronic Diseases Section or not listed in this announcement. To do so, you must submit a waiver form.
- One day (6 hours) or 1/2 day (2-4 hour) of credit will be awarded per event approved. The event must be attended between September 1, 2007 and June 30, 2008 and must be at least four to six hours.



**Weather Cancellation:** Please call (860) 509-7830 or (860) 509-8053 for storm cancellation announcements after 7:30 am on the day of the workshop.