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PREVENTION COMMITTEE MINUTES 11/18/05

Present: Michael Booth, Michael Campo, Tom DellaPorta, Allen Forbes, Sandra Graham, John Hardel, Bill Kress, J. Lemon, Kraig Pannell, Ann Schwartz, Lynn Varricchio, Pat Zacharias.

Excused: Lucia Collindres, Charles Wright.

The suggestion was made to record in the minutes those who informed us of their absence before the meeting date. Beginning with these minutes people will be listed as "Excused" if they call to say that can't attend.

Review of Minutes:

Allen Forbes motioned that the minutes be approved and Michael Campo seconded it. The minutes were approved as written.

Upcoming Training:

Tom DellaPorta informed the group that his department at Strong is working on a Clinical Evaluation Initiative and he is looking for input for a training they are developing. The training will be for clinicians and case managers. The subject will be including HIV prevention into the medical care of people with HIV. There is room for 35-40 participants. Kim Berkhoudt and Pat Coury-Doniger will be the presenters. Tom distributed a survey asking for suggestions for topics to be covered in the training. Lynn suggested that John Hardel give Tom a list of those providers who treat deaf HIV+ people.

Outreach Collaborative:

Mr. Oparah has restarted the Street Outreach Collaborative and will welcome help from the Prevention Committee. Pat pointed out that there is no money budgeted in 2006 for that purpose but we can offer other kinds of support.

PPG Presentation:

Kraig is waiting to hear when they can come to our meeting. Erik Libey is willing to coordinate that. Someone suggested that the PPG do a presentation at the General RATFA meeting after they have come to the Prevention meeting.

Announcements:

Allen announced that NYS DOH has written a new booklet called “101 Questions & Answers about HIV/AIDS”. These booklets can be ordered from the state.

The January – June 2006 Training Calendars are available from CHBT. Allen stated that in 2006 there will be an emphasis on Hepatitis C and he recommended CHBT’s class on that subject.

HIV+ people who are vaccinated for Hepatitis B should be made aware that the vaccination may not take because your body may not be able to make antibodies.

Next Meeting: Friday, January 20 at 2:00pm at FLHSA.