

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Indiana HIV Prevention Community Planning Group (CPG) would like to take this time to remember and acknowledge all members who have lost their lives to HIV/AIDS since the group began in 1994. We would also like to thank those individuals currently on the CPG as well as those not serving on this body that unselfishly devote their lives to preventing the spread of HIV in the state of Indiana. Lastly, we want to thank everyone for their contribution no matter how large or how small to the information encompassed within these pages.



We are extremely proud of how the Indiana Statewide HIV Prevention Community Planning Group came together with the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) to create this comprehensive, statewide HIV Prevention Plan. We remain united in the struggle for healthy communities and are hopeful that that spirit of unity is reflected within these pages. We are fortunate to have a good working relationship, an honest and open dialogue, and a healthy respect for each other's strengths and weaknesses. This partnership has allowed us to adapt to the many changes in HIV prevention, ISDH staff and community planning membership.

The Indiana Statewide HIV Prevention Community Planning Group remains highly optimistic that a shared commitment by ISDH and the community to aggressively strengthen and modify the various components of the community planning process contained within this Plan will only serve to strengthen HIV prevention efforts statewide.

A newly revised HIV Prevention Planning Guidance for Health Departments and their Partners is expected from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and, when it is received, this Plan will be reviewed for consistency of content. Modifications, updates, and/or revisions will be made as needed.

It has been our honor to work with members of the community and State Government who are so passionate, committed and concerned about the plight of others that they dedicate their time, energy and skills to make a positive difference.

Sincerely,

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