

Morris/Sussex/Warren HIV AIDS Advisory Meeting
Tuesday, 06-28-2011

Attendees: Bill Shapiro, Linda Hendrixson, Cathy Boccard, Shawn Welty

Not Present: Sister Roberta Feil, Ray Suttles, Linda Hendrixson, Joel Aronson, Joann McEniry, Shelia Carter, and Bob Armstrong

Minutes: William Shapiro

Meeting Location: Hope House, Dover, NJ

Bill Shapiro welcomed all to the meeting and apologized for the continued issues with meeting date changes. He explained that there still has been no final Federal approval of this current fiscal year's grant award and consequently there have been delays in initiating the priority setting process for next year. With anticipation that NEMA will have some additional information at their next scheduled meeting on 7/8/11, Bill asked that the committee save the following meeting dates: July 12th (NJ AIDS Services) and July 26th (Hope House).

Rough draft of letter of support from this committee on behalf of the Sussex County AIDS TASK Force was reviewed. Additional information and suggestions were noted and letter of support will be completed for final review by next meeting date.

Agency Reports and Announcements

Human Service Coordinator for Division of Behavioral Health & Youth Services: No report

NJ AIDS Services: No report

Sussex County AIDS Task Force: Despite continued financial challenges, the Sussex County AIDS Task Force has multiple presentations scheduled for July and August. They have had multiple requests to do HIV presentations for 3 Senior Citizen clubs. They are also scheduled to do a presentation at Sunrise house (women's support group) in July. They are planning on having a table set up at the Sussex County Farm and Horse Show (NJ State Fair) the first week of August. They also participated in a program (Game of Life) at the Sussex County Technical School last April. Sussex County AIDS Task Force also reports they have a couple of other health fair opportunities pending.

Hope House: Hope House reports that they are in the process of expanding their community outreach program including school outreach programs, smoking cessation group, Heavenly Kitchen (health eating /cooking demonstrations), and a vocal group made of clients that will be

performing on July 5th at 2 nursing homes. They also plan on having a World AIDS Day program on 12/1/2011.

Morristown Memorial Hospital Family Health Center: no changes at this time as they are waiting for the final award from NEMA.

The following is a list of the upcoming meetings:

July 12th @ NJAS (tentative)

July 26th @ Hope House

All meeting are at 11:00 am. Additional dates will be added as required

Meeting was adjourned at 12:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

William Shapiro