

Meeting Summary Thursday 11/19/2020 4pm via Zoom

Participants: Alliance for Positive Health Real Talk: staff Hannah, Brian, Krystal; five youth; Specialized Care Center Albany Med: Mary Ellen, Lauren; Damien Center: Lyndsi; HIV Stops with Me: Mars

1. Welcome, introductions

2. Old Business

- Link to videos developed by youth for AMC SCC dinner programs on HIV/STD

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zruPircBY9U](https://na01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.youtube.com%2Fwatch%3Fv%3DzruPircBY9U&data=02%7C01%7CAdamsME%40amc.edu%7C2f30c99235284c7969a008d659472c43%7Cc04845f042244637aed29beea8319b5b%7C0%7C0%7C636794559554178335&sdata=hGSyLpHl%2BpftXyrdbezwsQ5fEpfMARSSQ6q6ARspqXY%3D&reserved=0)

<https://youtu.be/Ku6rzQWAWJk>

<https://youtu.be/3DgtKv2BrBA-> PrEP Panel discussion- Real Talk Youth SCC Providers

*-The website,* [*www.dos.ny.gov/info/register.htm*](http://www.dos.ny.gov/info/register.htm)*, provides information on regulations*

*that open for public comment and you can register to get notifications*

3. World AIDS Day- December 1-3 All virtual event this year. Real Talk & Specialized Care Center will promote on their Facebook pages.

Mars has done a short segment with 7-8 other spokesmodels from the HIV Stops with Me campaign that will be shown at World AIDS Day.

Link to register- <https://whova.com/web/endin_202012/> everyone/anyone is welcome to attend.

4. Agency Updates- Mars- HIV Stops with Me- Youth Empowerment Fundraiser- All proceeds going to the Damien Center. 25-day long fundraiser, anyone can donate directly to the fundraiser or Mars is also looking for youth that are crafty/artsy to donate their work to be sold and the proceeds with go towards the fundraiser. Fundraiser ends 12/12. Toiletry items can also be donated. There is a drop off date from 1pm-4pm on 12/12 for these items.

Real Talk/Alliance for Positive Health- Testing on Thursday’s by appointment only. Real Talk is winding down, unfortunately the Real Talk program hasn’t received funding to continue running. This program will end as of 12/30/2020. Until then, they are still running 2 virtual groups and doing food/condom drop off. Testing Alliance does: 3 site Gonorrhea & Chlamydia testing, Rapid Hep C & Syphilis, Rapid 3rd Generation HIV Testing.

Damien Center- Most services are being done remotely. Still doing enrollment for programs. MPower- is doing STI & HIV testing by appointment. Employment Services is still enrolling participants, it is being done remotely. Employment Program is doing a Facebook live on “Anything Employment” every Wednesday from 2pm-3pm.

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Employment Services contact- Lyndsi Holmes-Wickert[Lholmes@albanydamiencenter.org](mailto:Lholmes@albanydamiencenter.org) 518-449-7119 Ext. 120

Specialized Care Center- Call ahead rapid HIV testing on 12/1. Call ahead STI/HIV testing is still available for same day/next day appointments. Website for program has been updated and there is a video about our program and services we provide. [www.amc.edu/SpecializedCareCenter](http://www.amc.edu/SpecializedCareCenter) Phone #- 518-262-9789

5**. HUGE SHOUTOUT TO REAL TALK STAFF AND YOUTH FOR ALL OF THEIR INVOLVMENT WITH THIS COMMITTEE. YOUR FEEDBACK AND ASSISTANCE WITH EVERYTHING HAS BEEN GREATLY APPRECIATED!!!!!!**

6. **Future meetings:**

**Youth ETE virtual Thursday January 28 4p**

**Capital Region ETE Steering Committee meeting: every month on 3rd Tuesday 9a, (except August and**

**December) next 1/19/20**