

**CAB Conference Call
March 28, 2024
12:00 ET
Meeting Minutes**

Participants:

Antoinette	University of Miami
Carol	Bronx-Lebanon Hospital Center
Claire	Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health
Eduardo	Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health
Exzavia	Children's Diagnostic & Treatment Center, Ft. Lauderdale
Falon	University of Colorado, Denver
Gena	University of Miami, Florida
Jackie	Westat
Karim	Westat
Kim	Texas Children's Hospital
Kylie	Texas Children's Hospital
Liz	Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health
Mandy	Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health
Raiko	University of Colorado, Denver
Rosalva	UCSD

• **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes from the February call were approved with no changes.

• **ICEBREAKER**

Mandy led the icebreaker.

• **SPACES FOR SELF-CARE**

Eduardo led the spaces for self-care.

• **UPDATES: CAB NEWSLETTER**

Mandy asked the CAB members if they were okay to have articles from other community groups (PUG, Spanish CAB, and HOPE CAB) in the newsletter. It will be a shift to a PHACS community newsletter.

- **Kim** mentioned this is a great idea considering the PHACS family is growing. It's an opportunity to make sure every voice is heard.

• **CAB RETREAT PLANNING**

Mandy explained that every year the PHACS network organizes an in-person meeting to focus on the research agenda for next year. The Spring 2024 Network meeting is scheduled for June 4 and 5. The CAB retreat is held before PHACS network meeting on June 3 in Rockville, Maryland. During the CAB

retreat there will be different creative activities and discussions. The CAB members that are eligible to attend the in-person meeting are those that attended 70% of the CAB meetings. Flights, transportation, and lodging are covered for the CAB members that attend. In addition, the CAB members receive a per diem. Study coordinators at your sites will be notified which CAB members are eligible to attend the meeting.

Mandy asked the CAB members on ideas for themes/activities:

- **Kim** suggested ice cream for the meet and greet with PHACS Leadership and including invitations to be distributed to PHACS leadership.
- **Exzavia** mentioned an activity where people share their experiences when they go to a doctor's appointment, or how people deal with stigma.
- **Antoinette** asked if there will be an opportunity to learn more about medications.
 - **Mandy** mentioned that last year investigators talked about PHACS studies with the community groups. Maybe, PHACS researchers could talk about most recent medications this year. **Kim** said that the newest medication is the injectable.
- **Rosalva** mentioned that during the meeting it would be great to do some art with acrylic painting.
- **Gena** suggested a theme focused on what is the status of HIV now and the future. It's important that researchers and doctors understand that people still need health care. **Gena** mentioned that she would like to know about updates on the cure for HIV and what will happen with people living with HIV when the HIV epidemic (as we know it) ends.
 - **Kim** mentioned that the timeline in the Project Positive website could be explained (includes 40+ years of HIV research), then a researcher could have a talk about future studies.
 - **Liz** noted that it is possible that investigators that went to CROI could provide more information about the development of new medication beyond injectables.
 - **Kim** suggested: "Unraveling the red ribbon". She noted the importance of getting people in care to get them to a better place.
 - **Claire** said that the PUG had a similar theme in another PUG retreat (Then and Now). PUG members shared childhood pictures and people need to say who was in the picture.
- **Kim** suggested an ice breaker with PHACS theme charades.
- **Kim** mentioned that each group (CAB and PUG) should have their space with equal opportunities to participate. **Mandy** agreed that considering the space in the rooms, it is better to keep both groups in separate rooms.

Mandy mentioned that she will send a Qualtrics survey with questions about the CAB retreat theme and other suggestions.

- **ANNOUNCEMENT**

Mandy announced that an abstract from the HECC was accepted as a poster at the 25th International AIDS Conference. The abstract is focused on the model of community engagement in PHACS “The Health Education and Community Core: A model of community engagement in the US-based Pediatric HIV/AIDS Cohort Study (PHACS) Network”. The author of the abstract is Claire, and co-authors are Kim, Raiko, Latricia, Enise, Marim, Deb, Karim, Mandy, Sharon, Liz, Eduardo, and Renee. The conference will be held in Munich, Germany, from 22 to 26 July 2024.

NOTE: The next CAB call will be on April 25, 2024, at 12:00 PM ET.