

An Invitation

You are cordially invited to participate in our seventh national conference exclusively addressing HIV/STD prevention in rural areas. This meeting will continue our sharing of successful prevention strategies for rural communities that we had at our previous national conferences in 2009, 2007, 2005, 2003, 2001, and 1999.

The conference features topical information on HIV/AIDS prevention for rural settings and includes plenary speakers, oral presentations, and a poster session.

The scheduled plenary presentations are:

KEYNOTE ADDRESS AND 2011 RYAN WHITE DISTINGUISHED LEADERSHIP AWARD RECIPIENT:

AIDS at 30 years: Lessons learned and challenges ahead

James W. Curran, MD, Emory University Rollins School of Public Health, Atlanta, GA

PLENARY ADDRESSES:

YOUR Blessed Health: A faith-based, CBPR approach to addressing HIV/AIDS among African Americans

Bettina Campbell, YOUR Center, Flint, MI and Derek M. Griffith, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

Effective HIV/STD interventions in rural communities: Best practices and successes

Susan Dreisbach, University of Colorado, Denver, CO; Seth Noar, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY; and community prevention specialists

HIV prevention in Florida: Opportunities and challenges in rural areas

Tom Liberti, Florida Department of Health, Tallahassee, FL

Preventing HIV among AA MSM in the Deep South in a context of stigma, homophobia, and high STD rates

Leandro Mena, MD, University of Mississippi Medical Center, Jackson, MS

HIV/STI prevention and the (not so new) media

Cornelis Rietmeijer, MD, Colorado School of Public Health, Denver, CO

Living with AIDS

Rae Lewis-Thornton, Emmy Award Winning AIDS Activist, Chicago, IL

Conference Purpose

The goal of this conference is to present model, rural HIV/STD prevention education programs, with emphasis on information exchange and lessons learned.

Persons working directly with rural populations are encouraged to submit an abstract.

Tables will be provided for attendees to bring their materials to share with other conference participants.

Conference Sponsor

The conference is sponsored by the Rural Center for AIDS/STD Prevention (RCAP).

The major focus of RCAP is the promotion of HIV/STD prevention in rural America. RCAP is headquartered at Indiana University and is a joint project of IU, University of Colorado at Denver, and the University of Kentucky. Website: www.indiana.edu/~aids.

Important Dates

February 1, 2011	Deadline for receipt of abstracts.
February 11, 2011	Notification of acceptance/rejection of abstracts.
March 1, 2011	Program posted on RCAP website.
March 7, 2011	IMU Hotel room block released for sale to the general public.
April 3, 2011	Cut-off date for online registration. After April 3, register onsite at the conference desk.
April 7, 2011 Thursday	Welcome and opening plenary, 2:00 p.m. Opening reception, 5:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.
April 9, 2011 Saturday	Conference ends at 2:00 p.m.

Submitted Presentations

Oral Presentations: Accepted abstracts will be presented as 30-minute oral presentations during concurrent sessions running from Thursday afternoon through Saturday morning. Some oral papers may be assigned to a poster session if too many abstracts have been accepted for the time allotted for oral presentations.

Poster Session: A poster session has been scheduled for Friday afternoon, 5:15 p.m. to 6:30 p.m..

How to Submit an Abstract

Abstracts for oral presentations or posters can be submitted either by email (attachment or in message) or fax.

Title: Use all uppercase letters.

Author(s): Start new line. Type authors' surname followed by the first name in upper and lower case letters, followed with degree abbreviations (without punctuation) and institution. Follow with the address, telephone number, fax number, and email address of senior author(s). Separate authors from the same institution with a comma, followed by their institution. Use a semicolon to separate authors from different institutions.

Text: Start new line. Length of text must not exceed 200 words.

Oral presentation or poster: Indicate whether your abstract is for an oral presentation (30 minutes) or poster session (75 minutes).

Deadline for receipt of abstract: February 1, 2011

Submission Address:

email: aids@indiana.edu
fax: 812.855.3936

Notification: Notification of acceptance/rejection will be made by February 11, 2011.

Registration: All presenters and attendees must register for the conference.

Proceedings: Authors of accepted presentations will be invited to submit a brief paper for conference proceedings. The abstracts of authors choosing not to submit a brief paper will be published in the proceedings.

For questions concerning the program, contact:

William L. Yarber, senior director, Rural Center for AIDS/STD Prevention, 801 East Seventh Street, Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana 47405-3085. Phone: 812.855.7974; Email: aids@indiana.edu.

Final Program

The final program will be posted on the RCAP website (www.indiana.edu/~aids) by March 1, 2011.

Registration

Registration fees for the conference are:

Online by April 3. Afterwards, register at conference registration desk.	\$25.00
Onsite registration	\$25.00
Full-time Student (must provide verification)	No Charge

To register please go the Rural Center for AIDS/STD Prevention website: <http://www.indiana.edu/~aids>. Enter the site and at the description for the conference you will find a link for conference registration or you may call 800 933-9330. Payment can be made by credit card, check, or purchase order. If payment is by check or purchase order, please make payable to Indiana University #33-11. Mail to: Indiana University Conferences, 801 N. Jordan Ave., Suite 101, Bloomington, Indiana 47405. Cancellation notification must be received by Friday, April 1, 2011 for a refund of your registration fee, less a \$15 processing fee. After that date no refunds will be issued.

Conference Site and Hotel

All conference sessions will be held in the Indiana Memorial Union (IMU), where a block of sleeping rooms has been reserved in the IMU hotel. The hotel is a completely modern facility located in the heart of the Indiana University, Bloomington campus.

IMU Hotel reservations may be made by telephone or online. To make your reservation by telephone please call 1-800-209-8145. When making your reservation please indicate that you are attending the conference. You may also make your reservation online by going to: <https://reservations.imu.indiana.edu>. When making your reservation online please enter code HIVSTD11 (case sensitive) in the Group Code box to reserve a room in the conference block. Rates range from \$92 - \$132 single occupancy, and \$122 - \$132 double occupancy plus tax. We encourage you to make your reservation by Monday, March 7, 2011, after that date any unreserved rooms will be released for sale to the general public.

Transportation

Shuttle service from the Indianapolis Airport to the Indiana Memorial Union (IMU) is conveniently provided via the Bloomington Shuttle Service and the Star of America shuttle service. Both services operate on fixed schedules arriving and departing the IMU nine times each day. Both services depart from the Ground Transportation Center located on the baggage claim level of the Indianapolis Airport. To make your reservation with Bloomington Shuttle please go to www.bloomingtonshuttle.com or telephone 1-800-589-6004. The current charge is \$15.00 each way. To make your reservation with Star of America please go to www.charterstaramerica.com or telephone 1-800-933-0097. The current charge is \$19.00 each way. Complete travel schedules appear on each service's website. Travel time from the airport is approximately one hour and fifteen minutes.

If your travel schedule does not permit the use of a scheduled shuttle, you may arrange door-to-door service through Carey Indiana Services. Carey Indiana Service's phone number is 800-888-4639 and the website is www.careyindiana.com Rates vary with the number of riders.

If you are driving to the conference and using MapQuest or a GPS electronic guidance device, the IMU address is: 900 East 7th Street, Bloomington, IN 47408

Indiana University and the Bloomington Community

Indiana University is often cited as one of the most beautiful college campuses in the nation. The 1,930-acre woodland setting is an aesthetically harmonious blend of stunning natural landscape with campus buildings constructed predominately of native limestone. More than a hundred years ago the Board of Trustees selected this woodland site to become the home of the university. Over the years the university has actively worked to preserve portions of the original woods and maintain them in their natural state. As late as the 1980's the university designated a large central campus area to the development of an arboretum. During your visit in April you will experience campus as the flora is just beginning its Spring blossoming.

Downtown Bloomington begins at the edge of campus as you pass through the Sample Gates and head west on Kirkwood Avenue. In this area immediately west of campus you will find a unique blend of ethnic restaurants including Moroccan, Indian, Japanese, Italian, Korean, and several casual pubs. All are within easy walking distance of the Indiana Memorial Union.

Comments From Previous Conferences

This is my second time here and I am as pleased as I was with the first one. I am even more thrilled this time! Everyone involved in the conference was amazing. I think it is critical to have a conference like this because rural prevention providers have very distinct issues, concerns, successes that should be shared.

Really fantastic. I so appreciate your hard work and efforts to make this possible. I feel inspired, renewed and ready to carry on the work!

This conference was an excellent opportunity to learn about the broad range of issues affecting rural communities in terms of HIV prevention and care. Thank you for making this conference available to the rural community.

Less stressful conference I ever attended. Wonderful, accessible conference organizers and staff.

This was an excellent conference. I think having a national prevention conference for rural communities is very important. There were many things that I learned that I will take back to my community. I'll be back in 2011 and I will bring my staff with me. Thank you for all the hard work. Best of luck in your future prevention work.

This is the best conference of all the many conferences I attend.

One of the best conferences I have been too in a long time. See you in 2011.

I have been to many conferences and this setting was by far the loveliest, most convenient, well-organized and well run conference that I have attended. A great location, a great conference!

This really was a great conference. I am going home with several new ideas and a renewed sense of purpose. I met a lot of wonderful people. Thank you so much for this opportunity.

I really enjoyed the cultural diversity. I made great contacts and hope to return to the conference every time.

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HIV/STD Prevention In Rural Communities: Sharing Successful Strategies VII

April 7-9, 2011
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Indiana University
Bloomington, Indiana

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