



How to Get Involved

There are lots of reasons to join the Planning Council!
Here are just a few...

Have a voice!

Share your opinions on HIV/AIDS services and vote on priorities and funding for Ryan White Part A services in Long Island.

Share your expertise and experiences!

Whether you are a medical doctor, service provider, consumer or caregiver, your knowledge can help improve HIV/AIDS services in Long Island.

Network!

The Planning Council is a great way to share information about services, make professional contacts and new friends.

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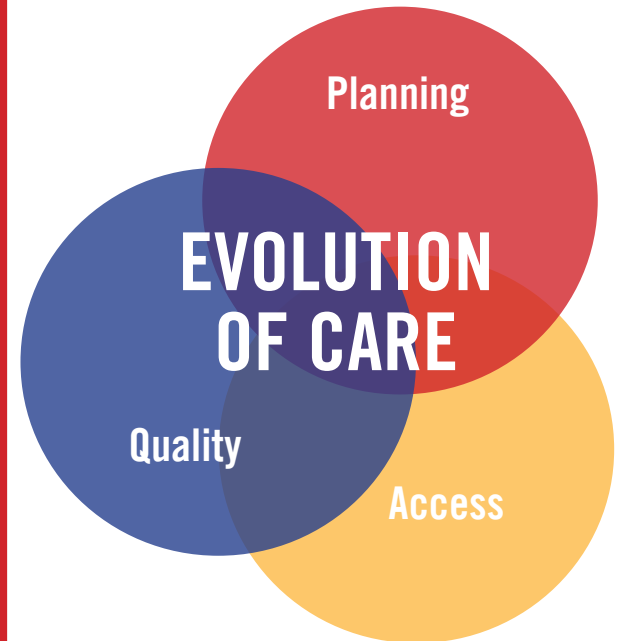
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Nassau-Suffolk HIV Health Services Planning Council





What is the Planning Council?

The Nassau-Suffolk HIV Health Services Planning Council is a member appointed Ryan White Part A planning body that provides effective planning for the Long Island Region and promotes the development of HIV/AIDS services that meet the identified needs of the community. The Council sets the priorities and recommends funding allocations for Ryan White Part A funding in Nassau and Suffolk Counties.

What is Ryan White Part A?

The Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program is the single largest Federal program that provides HIV-related health services. The program works with cities, states and local community-based organizations to provide services to more than half a million people each year. The program was created for those who do not have sufficient health care coverage or financial resources for coping with HIV/AIDS. Ryan White fills gaps in care not covered by other sources and is known as the payer of last resort.

Members of the Planning Council Include:

- Health Care Providers
- Community Based/AIDS Service Organizations
- Social Service Providers

- Housing/Homeless Service Providers
- Mental Health Care Providers
- Local Public Health Agencies
- Hospital/Health Care Planning Agencies
- Non-elected Community Leaders
- Substance Abuse Care Providers
- Prevention Providers
- Grantees under other Federal HIV programs
- HIV+ individuals and caregivers

Member Roles and Responsibilities

- Assess the region's HIV/AIDS service needs.
- Establish priorities for the allocation of funds.
- Develop a comprehensive plan for the organization and delivery of HIV services that is compatible with existing State and local plans.
- Assess efficiency of the administering agency in rapidly allocating funds to areas of greatest need.
- Ensure community participation

Committee Descriptions

Executive Committee – handles all administrative functions associated with internal management, grant application review, reporting and oversight, coordination with other HIV consortia, planning and coordinating bodies.

Strategic Assessment & Planning (SAP) – establishes and reviews statistical data, discusses ways to collect data on HIV/AIDS, develops estimates of the HIV positive population and the service needs of that population, and decides on priorities for funding in the region.

Finance Subcommittee – mainly made up of non-aligned consumers, this subcommittee reports to SAP and is responsible for the allocation of funds to the priorities established by SAP.

Quality Assurance & Membership (QAM) – responsible for evaluating how well services meet community needs, identifying, reviewing, and recommending members to the Council, managing the Council's grievance process, and conducting an annual assessment of the administrative mechanism in the region.

Consumer Involvement Subcommittee – reports to QAM and addresses issues affecting PLWHA from a consumer point of view and provides feedback to the various Part A committees. Part of the mission of this group is to encourage outreach, education, empowerment and advocacy for people infected or affected by HIV/AIDS.