## Division of HIV and STD Programs



## 2016 Education and Skills Building Calendar

January	February	March	April
12-13 Basic II: HIV Test Counselor Certification 20 STD 101 21 ABCs of Hepatitis 27 HIV 101	<ul> <li>1-5 Basic I: HIV Test Counselor Certification</li> <li>11 Perinatal HIV</li> <li>17-18 Partner Services Training</li> <li>24 HIV/AIDS 101</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>2 STD 101</li> <li>7-11 Basic I: HIV Test Counselor Certification</li> <li>16 PrEP: Knowledge to Action</li> <li>23-24 Bridging Theory and Practice</li> <li>30 HIV/AIDS 101</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>5-6 Facilitation Skills for Group Level Interventions</li> <li>12-13 Basic II: HIV Test Counselor Certification</li> <li>20-21 Partner Services Training</li> <li>27 HIV/AIDS 101</li> </ul>
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Register online at - <a href="http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/dhsp/trainings.htm">http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/dhsp/trainings.htm</a>

Please note that trainings are targeted to specific audiences. See below for course descriptions and intended audiences. For questions about courses or registration, e-mail DHSP at trainingquestions@ph.lacounty.gov or call 213-351-8033.

## **Training Descriptions**

ABCs of Hepatitis: Focuses on the prevalence, transmission, diagnosis, treatment of viral hepatitis and liver related complications due to infectious hepatitis. Also include simple messages and counseling strategies for clients at risk of, or dually diagnosed with, HIV and viral hepatitis. [half-day, 8am-12:30pm] Audience: HIV test counselors, HE/RR\* staff, HIV case managers, case workers, and other staff at community based organizations.

Basic 1 HIV Test Counselor Certification: The first component of the State of California and Los Angeles County certification as an HIV Counselor II will develop and practice strong client-centered counseling skills, learn how to help clients assess HIV risks and work with clients to develop realistic steps towards reducing HIV risk(s) and deliver preliminary and confirmatory HIV+ results. Counselors will also be certified to perform finger sticks and read and interpret HIV test results. [5 days, 8am-4:30pm] Audience: HIV test counselors from DHSP or CDC-funded providers. (It is highly recommended that participants complete HIV/AIDS 101 prior to taking this course).

Basic 2 HIV Test Counselor Certification: The second component of the State of California and Los Angeles County HIV counselor certification. It includes advanced counseling techniques, effective interventions, and discusses counseling challenges. Basic II is scheduled three to six months after Basic I. Basic II is only for those counselors who have successfully completed Basic I, and have begun practicing as counselors. [2 days, 8am-4:30pm] Audience: Experienced HIV test counselors from DHSP or CDC-funded providers.

Bridging Theory and Practice: Applying Behavioral Theory to HIV/STD Prevention: For individuals planning, developing and implementing HIV/STD prevention programs. Provides an overview of behavioral science, factors that influence behavior change, and domains that influence HIV/STD risk-taking behavior. Highlights the importance of using theory in intervention planning. [2 Days, 8am-4:30pm] Audience: HE/RR\* staff, HIV test counselors, HIV case managers

Comprehensive Risk Counseling Services: For STD/HIV health professionals who plan to provide or are already providing HIV Comprehensive Risk Counseling and Services (CRCS). Includes an overview of the CRCS model, the role of CRCS counselors, legal and ethical issues, cultural competence, theories that underlie CRCS, program components and standards; skills and tasks involved in the CRCS core elements. [3 days, 8am-4:30pm] Audience: HE/RR\* staff working for a DHSP-funded CRCS program. Call for schedule.

**Facilitation Skills for Group-Level Interventions:** For staff providing group-level HIV health education and risk reduction services. Provides information on how to deliver group level interventions effectively to at-risk clients. [2 days, 8am-4:30pm] Audience: HE/RR\* staff who facilitate group level HIV interventions/support groups.

HIV/AIDS 101: For employees of the County of Los Angeles and community based organizations funded by DHSP to assist them in obtaining the latest information on HIV and AIDS. Held in various locations throughout Los Angeles County. [1 day, 8am-4:30pm] Audience: HIV test counselors, HE/RR\* staff, case managers, others County staff that work with at-risk clients. Call for locations.

Individual Level Approaches to HIV Prevention (IDI, One 2 One): For staff providing one-on-one HIV health education and risk reduction services. Provides information on how to deliver individual level counseling effectively to at-risk clients. [2 days, 8am-4:30pm] Audience: all staff from DHSP funded agencies working with clients in a one-on-one basis over multiple sessions.

\*HE/RR: Health Education / Risk Reduction

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INSTI Rapid HIV Test: This training will certify those HIV counselors who are already certified in HIV test counseling, the Oraquick Advance HIV 1 & 2 Rapid HIV Test, Clearview COMPLETE Rapid HIV Test and collecting blood via finger stick procedures to read and interpret INSTI Rapid HIV Tests. [Half-day, Times Vary] Audience: Certified HIV test counselors working at DHSP-funded test sites. Call for schedule.

Linkage Case Management: Provides participants with the skills needed to identify and link HIV-positive individuals to HIV medical care through the implementation of client-centered and strengths-based activities. [2 days, 8am-4pm] Audience: Linkage Case Managers of DHSP-funded linkage case management programs in Los Angeles County.

Making the Connection – Developing a Comprehensive Curriculum: For developers of HIV-related curricula with opportunities to enhance efficacy in developing more effective HIV training curricula. Topics include creating goals and objectives, developing meaningful lesson plans and choosing effective evaluation tools. [2 days, 8am-4pm] Audience: HE/RR\* staff Call for schedule.

Medical Care Coordination (MCC): This four day training provides participants with the knowledge and skills needed to implement Medical Care Coordination services for HIV-positive patients. It is required that each MCC team attend this training together Participants will be required to read the MCC protocol prior to attending this training. [4 days, 8am-4:30pm] Audience: MCC team members from DHSP funded agencies.

**Partner Services:** Formerly known as Partner Counseling / Risk Reduction Services (PCRS). Designed to provide HIV prevention and care staff with an overview of disclosure assistance services. Focuses on the skills needed to effectively work with HIV positive persons to ensure that their sex and needle-sharing partners are notified of exposure. Participants will be able to support clients in making an informed decision about HIV disclosure. [2 days, 8am-4:30pm] Audience: HIV test counselors, HIV case managers and HE/RR\* staff.

Perinatal HIV—Critical Issues for Public Health Nursing: Designed to increase the knowledge and skills of nurses who work with HIV positive, pregnant women. No prerequisites. [half-day, 8am-12:30pm] Audience: Public health nurses, registered nurses and other nursing staff.

Pre Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) - From Knowledge to Action: This training is designed for staff providing HIV health education and risk reduction services. The training provides participants with an overview of Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) & skills for integrating PrEP into existing prevention efforts. [1 day, 8am-4:30pm] Audience: HIV counselors, HE/RR\* staff, HIV case managers, case workers, and other staff at community based organizations working with individuals at high risk for HIV.

Safer Sex, Drugs and Alcohol: A Training for Commercial Sex Venue Staff: For managers and staff of commercial sex venues licensed to operate in Los Angeles County. Covers the basics of HIV and STD prevention, how substance use contributes to HIV/STD risk, including all topics required by the City/County of Los Angeles ordinances licensing commercial sex venues (CSV). [times vary] Audience: CSV staff. Call for schedule.

**STD 101:** For employees of the County of Los Angeles and community based organizations funded by DHSP who are working with people at risk for or affected by Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STDs) a basic understanding of how STDs impact our community. [1 day, 8am-4:30pm] Audience: HIV test counselors, HE/RR\* staff, HIV case managers, others.

**Taxicab Training:** For taxicab drivers who transport clients with HIV to and from medical appointments, etc. Includes basic information on HIV transmission and prevention, dispelling misconceptions about HIV and reducing anxiety around transporting clients with HIV. Offered one to three times per year. [2 hours, times vary] Call for schedule.