2016 Ending the Epidemic Summit
Empire State Plaza Convention Center
Albany, New York

December 6, 2016
5:00pm to 7:00pm

December 7, 2016
8:30am to 5:00pm

Looking Back at Accomplishments and Exploring Future Opportunities

December 6, 2016
Registration for the event will open at 2:00pm on December 6, 2016 outside of Meeting Room 6

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2:30pm – 3:30pm  World AIDS Day Commissioner’s Special Recognition Awards Ceremony

An event to recognize individuals for their commitment, contribution, and response to improve and promote the health and well-being of all New Yorkers.

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3:30pm – 5:00pm  Reception

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5:00pm – 7:00pm  Summit Kick-Off Event

5:00pm  Welcome and Acknowledgements
Karen Hagos, New York State Department of Health, AIDS Institute
Guillermo Chacon, Latino Commission on AIDS

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5:30pm  
*Opening Remarks*
Sally Dreslin, M.S., R.N., Executive Deputy Commissioner

5:35pm  
*Using the Treatment Cascade in Health Care Organizations to Improve Quality of Care and End the Epidemic*
Dr. Bruce Agins, New York State Department of Health, AIDS Institute

Effective this World AIDS Day, healthcare organizations and providers in New York State are now directly participating in the Governor’s Initiative to End the Epidemic through introduction of a formal approach to the Organizational Treatment Cascade as part of the HIV Quality of Care Program. Ensuring that all PLWH in NYS receive high-quality medical care remains a top priority, regardless of whether they merely touch the healthcare system or are actively enrolled. This formal approach offers an innovative strategy, first pioneered in New York State, to empower clinicians and health facility teams to harness their local data to address both patient and population health outcomes.

6:10pm  
*Ending the Epidemic: The Community Voice*
Valerie Reyes-Jimenez, Housing Works, Inc.
Kiara St. James, New York Transgender Advocacy Group
Julian Brown, Jr., Trillium Health
Perry Junjulas, The Albany Damien Center
Terry Hamilton, NYC Health + Hospitals Corporation
Katrina Balovlenkov, HIV Stops with Me Spokesmodel
Jahlove Serrano, HIV Stops with Me Spokesmodel

Throughout New York State’s pursuit of its goal to end the epidemic, we have had the support of a powerful partnership made up of advocates, persons living with HIV, community organizations, a constellation of treatment providers as well as city and state government. Hearing from some of these individuals, they will share brief remarks about how the epidemic has impacted their lives, and in turn, how they have impacted the end of the epidemic efforts.

6:45pm  
*Performance by the Gospel Music Workshop of America (GMWA)*

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8:30am – 9:00am  Registration and Continental Breakfast
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9:00am – 9:45am  Welcome and Keynote Remarks
Moderator: Joan Edwards, New York State Department of Health, AIDS Institute

Keynote: Johanne Morne, New York State Department of Health, AIDS Institute
Keynote: Dr. Demetre Daskalakis, New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene
Keynote: Charles King, Housing Works, Inc.

9:50am – 10:50am  Preventing New Infections and Improving Outcomes through Data and Research
The Ending the Epidemic (ETE) Blueprint calls for the development of key performance indicators and milestones to track the epidemic, building on existing technologies to disseminate priority data, and conducting qualitative and quantitative research to achieve success. Panelists will discuss the current status of the epidemic in New York City and State and address efforts currently underway to improve our understanding of the epidemic, improve patient outcomes, and prevent new infections through innovation.

Moderator: Dr. Robert H. Remien, Columbia University

Panelists:
Dr. James Tesoriero, New York State Department of Health, AIDS Institute
Dr. Julie Myers, New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene
Benjamin Katz, CUNY Institute for Implementation Science in Population Health, Graduate School of Public Health and Health Policy
Dr. Patrick Wilson, Columbia University

10:55am – 11:55am  Identifying the Undiagnosed, Linking to Care and Maximizing Viral Suppression
Varied, evidence-based outreach strategies to address HIV stigma and promote knowing one’s HIV status must become a community norm. Ensuring access to continuous care and achieving viral load suppression is critical for reducing morbidity and mortality. This discussion will provide information on recently initiated programs being implemented across the state to assist in these critical areas that will reduce the number of new HIV infections in New York State.

Moderator: Mary Ellen Adams, Albany Medical Center

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Panelists:
Dr. Peter Gordon, Columbia University
Gabby Santos, In Our Own Voices
Ashwini Hardikar, Callen-Lorde Community Health Center
Kimberly Smith, Monroe County Department of Public Health
Jacqueline Dudley, New York City Human Resources Administration
Ginny Shubert, Housing Works, Inc.

Meeting Room 7

10:30am – 12:00pm  Special Film Screening: Memories of a Penitent Heart Followed by Discussion with the Movie Director/Producer/Writer

Dr. Cecilia Aldarondo, Movie Director/Producer/Writer

Meeting Room 6

12:00pm – 1:00pm  Lunch and Lunch-Time Plenary

Building Infrastructure During a Season of Change

With challenges come opportunities. This session will focus on the tools and resources necessary for building a sustainable infrastructure in a changing environment.

Moderator: Johanne Morne, New York State Department of Health, AIDS Institute

Panelists:
Dr. Douglas Fish, New York State Department of Health, Office of Health Insurance Programs
Doug Wirth, AmidaCare
Cristina Herrera, The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Community Center/ Translatina Network
Dr. Kathryn Henningson, New York State Department of Health, AIDS Institute
Susan Weinrich, New York Council of Nonprofits

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1:05pm – 2:05pm  PrEP and nPEP Access and Usage Statewide

For persons at risk of acquiring HIV who have trouble adhering to other prevention strategies, PrEP and nPEP could mean the difference between staying negative and living the rest of their lives with HIV. This session will focus on collaborative statewide implementation efforts among clinical providers, HIV testing programs, primary prevention programs and support services providers, while also addressing future needs and areas of focus.

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2:10 pm – 3:10 pm  

**In My Mind: Working Towards Zero**

Discussions will focus on recognizing and articulating the mental health needs of all individuals, and the importance of addressing behavioral health for those living with HIV and AIDS.

**Moderator:** Dr. Marjorie Hill  
**Panelists:**  
- Antoine Craigwell, Depressed Black Gay Men  
- Dr. Sheldon Fields, Association of Nurses in AIDS Care  
- Raina Murphy, Lower East Side Harm Reduction Center  
- Rev. Moonhawk River Stone, Riverstone Consulting

3:15 pm – 4:15 pm  

**What Works for Priority Populations?**

In order to change the trajectory of the epidemic, an effective plan of action must continuously identify and address the needs of key populations that are most disadvantaged by the systemic health, economic and racial inequities that result in poor health outcomes. Community members who served on several advisory bodies to develop implementation strategies in support of the ETE Blueprint will discuss what they propose to overcome barriers to effective care for vulnerable persons.

**Moderator:** Kraig Pannell, NYSDOH AIDS Institute  
**Panelists:**  
- Lyndon Cudlitz, Pride Center of the Capital Region  
- Vaughn Taylor-Akutagawa, Gay Men of African Descent, Inc.  
- Mike Deeb, Evergreen Health Services  
- Michelle Lopez, ACRIA  
- Guillermo Chacon, Latino Commission on AIDS  
- Stephanie Lao, Catholic Charities

4:15 pm – 4:30 pm  

**Closing Remarks**  
Johanne Morne, New York State Department of Health, AIDS Institute

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