Supported through an unrestricted grant from ViiV Healthcare, which had no input regarding the participants who will attend and/or the presentations that will be delivered at this alignment workshop.
Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the International Association of Providers of AIDS Care (IAPAC) and Fast-Track Cities Institute (FTCI), welcome to one of the 19 workshops we are coordinating across the country to align efforts between the Ending the HIV Epidemic (EHE) and Fast-Track Cities (FTC) initiatives. We are delighted to convene local stakeholders today to focus on the progress made and challenges left to overcome as Baltimore strives to attain EHE and FTC objectives.

During this EHE-FTC Alignment Workshop, you will engage in discussions about efforts to ensure equitable access to HIV testing, prevention, care, treatment, and social support services within the context of an environment enabled to respect every person’s dignity. You will also hear from peers at the city, county, and state about cross-cutting challenges to prevention and treatment policy implementation, county-state policy alignment, and community access to HIV services; and will participate in moderated discussions about criminalization as a barrier to ending HIV, equitably scaling up PrEP access and utilization, and implementing HIV status neutrality in practice. While our goals may seem ambitious for a one-day workshop, I view today as an important first step in leveraging the power of partnership between the EHE and FTC initiatives.

Thank you to our colleagues from Baltimore who advised us on the workshop program and faculty selection. We also express our gratitude to our panelists and presenters for sharing their expertise around various aspects of the HIV response that are critical to our collective success. We appreciate ViiV Healthcare for supporting this series of EHE-FTC Alignment Workshops as part of their longstanding corporate partnership with Fast-Track Cities. Ultimately, I recognize the multi-stakeholder HIV leadership on display in Baltimore, including from Mayor Brandon Scott, who is demonstrating the important role political determinants of health can play in improving the health and well-being of his constituents.

In closing, I take this opportunity to invite you to join us at the Fast-Track Cities 2023 conference, which will take place September 25-27, 2023, in Amsterdam. Our aim is to highlight success across the Fast-Track Cities network and share best practices in accelerating urban HIV, tuberculosis, and viral hepatitis responses. I encourage you to take advantage of an opportunity to learn from the other 500-plus cities and municipalities worldwide that are committed to ending their urban HIV epidemics by 2030.

I wish you continued success as you strive to attain EHE and FTC objectives on a trajectory towards getting to zero new HIV infections, zero AIDS-related deaths, and zero HIV-related stigma.

Warmest regards,

Dr. José M. Zuniga
President/CEO
THURSDAY, JULY 27, 2023 | PROGRAM

8:30 AM – 9:00 AM
Registration

9:00 AM – 9:45 AM
Welcome Remarks

Welcome on Behalf of IAPAC and Fast-Track Cities

Dashiell Sears
Regional Director, North America
Fast-Track Cities Institute

Mayoral Remarks and Signing of Paris Declaration 4.0 and Sevilla Declaration on the Centrality of Communities in Urban HIV, TB, and Viral Hepatitis Responses

Dr. José M. Zuniga
President/CEO
IAPAC and FTCI

Dr. Marissa Robinson
Ending the HIV Epidemic Coordinator
Office of Assistant Secretary of Health

Welcome on Behalf of Baltimore EHE

Genevieve Barrow Gongar
Healthcare Services Administrator
Baltimore City Health Department

Welcome on Behalf of Community

Melanie Reese
Executive Director
Older Women Embracing Life, Inc.

Welcome on Behalf of Viiv Healthcare

Stephen Novis
Director, Government Relations
Viiv Healthcare US

OVERVIEW OF LOCAL EHE PLAN STATUS

9:45 AM – 10:25 AM
Presentations

Increasing Access to Testing and Rapid START

Dr. Amanda Rosecrans
HIV/AIDS Program Coordinator
Baltimore City Health Department

Increasing Access to Biomedical Prevention

Sarah Rives
Medical Director for HIV/PrEP/HepC
Baltimore City Health Department

Eliminating Disparities in HIV Health Outcomes

Dr. Jason Farley
Director, The Center for Infectious Disease and Nurse Innovation
Co-Director Clinical Core
Johns Hopkins Center for AIDS Research

Reducing Stigma in Clinical Settings

Jasmine Pope
Director of Programming – STAR TRACK
Adolescent Health Program
University of Maryland-Baltimore
10:25 AM – 10:55 AM
Discussion

10:55 AM – 11:15 AM
Break

IDENTIFYING CROSS-CUTTING CHALLENGES TO ACHIEVING EHE AND FTC OBJECTIVES

11:15 AM – 11:55 AM
Presentations

Prevention Policy and Implementation

Dr. Adena Greenbaum
Assistant Commissioner for Clinical Services and HIV/STD Prevention
Baltimore City Health Department

Treatment Policy and Implementation

Dr. Christine Ogbue
Assistant Commissioner
Bureau of Ryan White and Community Risk Reduction
Baltimore City Health Department

County and State Policy Alignment

Dr. Peter DeMartino
Chief, Center for HIV Prevention and Health Services
Maryland Department of Health

Community Access to HIV Services

Dr. Sebastian Ruhs
Chief Medical Officer
Chase Brexton Health Care

11:55 AM – 1:25 PM
Lunch Break and Discussion

MODERATED DISCUSSIONS ON IMPLEMENTATION OPPORTUNITIES FOR EHE AND FTC

1:25 PM – 1:55 PM
Addressing Criminalization as a Barrier

MODERATOR

Camila Reynolds-Dominguez
Policy Advocate and Legal Impact Coordinator
Free State Justice

PANELISTS

Sara Gold
Clinical Law Instructor
University of Maryland School of Law

Dr. Joyce Jones
Assistant Clinical Director
John G. Bartlett Specialty Care Practice
Johns Hopkins Medicine

Melanie Reese
Executive Director
Older Women Embracing Life, Inc.

1:55 PM – 2:25 PM
Scaling Up PrEP Access and Utilization

MODERATOR

Caroline Sacko
PrEP Clinical Nurse, Sexual Health Clinics Division
Baltimore City Health Department

PANELISTS

Gaby Dashler
Research Program Manager
Department of Emergency Medicine
Johns Hopkins Medicine

Dr. Tiara Willie
Bloomberg Assistant Professor
Department of Mental Health
Johns Hopkins University
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2:25 PM – 2:45 PM
Break

2:45 PM – 3:15 PM
**Optimizing Social Determinants for U=U**

**MODERATOR**

Dorcas Baker  
Regional Coordinator, Center for Infectious Disease and Nursing Innovation  
Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing

**PANELISTS**

Carlton Ray Smith  
Co-Chair, People Empowerment Committee  
Greater Baltimore HIV Health Service Planning Council

Mary Slicher  
Executive Director  
Project PLASE, Inc.

3:15 PM – 3:45 PM
**Implementing HIV Status Neutrality in Practice**

**MODERATOR**

Sam Zisow-McClean  
Director of Programs, Moveable Feast  
Chair, Greater Baltimore HIV Health Services Planning Council

**PANELIST**

Hope Cassidy-Stewart  
Ending the HIV Epidemic Director  
Maryland Department of Health

Dr. Cleo Manago  
Executive Director  
Pride Center

**RAPPORTEUR SESSION AND WRAP UP**

3:45 PM – 4:00 PM
**Identified Challenges and Opportunities to EHE in Baltimore**

Scott Lyles  
EHE-FTC Alignment Consultant  
Fast-Track Cities Institute

4:00 PM – 4:15 PM
**Actionable EHE and FTC Implementation Steps**

Dashiel Sears  
Regional Director, North America  
Fast-Track Cities Institute

4:15 PM – 4:30 PM
**Closing Remarks and Call for Solidarity**

Sam Zisow-McClean  
Director of Programs, Moveable Feast  
Chair, Greater Baltimore HIV Health Services Planning Council

Carlton Ray Smith  
Co-Chair, People Empowerment Committee  
Greater Baltimore HIV Health Services Planning Council

4:30 PM
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Workshop Location
Vollmer Center Auditorium
4915 Greenspring Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21209

Slide Presentations
Slide presentations will be shared with you electronically following the workshop.

Social Media
IAPAC encourages you to use social media to communicate your thoughts about the workshop proceedings. Please use the @IAPAC and @FastTrackCities handles.

Internet Access
Participants will have access to wireless Internet both in the workshop and throughout the building.

Questions
If you have any questions, please contact FTCI's North American Regional Director, Dashiell Sears.

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