

History of the Idaho Advisory Council on HIV and AIDS

To help understand the Idaho Advisory Council on HIV and AIDS as it currently functions, it may help to review the history. In 1994, Idaho embraced a community planning process to assist in the development of a plan to target HIV prevention efforts to those populations at greatest risk for HIV transmission. At this point, the HIV prevention group was known as the Idaho Prevention Planning Group. In 2003, this group expanded to address the care needs of people living with HIV and AIDS, thus changing their name to the Idaho Care and Prevention Council. Reflecting a desire to better integrate the spectrum of concerns and issues related to HIV and AIDS, the council once again underwent a name change, becoming the Idaho Advisory Council on HIV and AIDS in October 2007. Thus, as it currently stands, Idaho has one statewide community planning group addressing the diverse needs of HIV and AIDS: the Idaho Advisory Council on HIV and AIDS (IACHA).