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Leading & Managing in Challenging Times

Prescott Chow, Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum

San Francisco, CA - San Francisco, CA - This past quarter, Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum (APIAHF) worked with the San Francisco-based non-profit management support organization, CompassPoint Nonprofit Services to convene a two-day organizational development seminar. The seminar, "Leading and Managing in Challenging Times", focused on the capacity building issues of Asian & Pacific Islander AIDS Service Organizations striving to sustain services in the current economic and political climate.

The session was held on October 3 – 4, 2004 in San Francisco with twenty participants from eight agencies from around the country. The participants were mainly from management teams (e.g. executive directors, program directors, and fiscal directors). APIAHF encouraged agencies to bring at least two people in order to have management teams who work together also have an opportunity to learn new skills together.

Asian and Pacific Islander agencies attending the seminar included AIDS Services In Asian Communities (Philadelphia, PA); Asian & Pacific Islander Community AIDS Project (San Diego, CA); Asian & Pacific Islander Partnership for Health (Washington, DC); Asian & Pacific Islander Wellness Center (San Francisco, CA); Asian Pacific AIDS Intervention Team (Los Angeles, CA); Filipino Task Force on AIDS (San Francisco, CA); Guahan Project (Hagatna, Guam); Massachusetts Asian Pacific Islander (MAP) for Health (Boston, MA).

The meeting focused on five critical areas: revenue realities, financial decision-making, making and communicating unpopular decisions, fundraising in challenging times, and board / executive leadership.

Jan Masaoka, Executive Director at CompassPoint Nonprofit Services, presented an overview of the issues and challenges facing non-profit organizations, within the context of the larger economic, political, and social turmoil happening throughout the US and the world. She set the tone of collegiality and peer-to-peer dialogue for the seminar. Ms. Masaoka led a discussion on the current climate of reductions in government grants, foundation dollars, and individual giving, with participants discussing how these changes in funding has affected their agencies.

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The Asian & Pacific Islander HIV Capacity Building Assistance Program is a national program of the Asian and Pacific Islander American Health Forum (APIAHF). Our HIV Capacity-Building Assistance Program, seeks to increase the organizational and programmatic capacities of community-based organizations (CBOs) who provide HIV prevention interventions to API populations in the United States and U.S. jurisdictions.

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Jeanne Peters, Financial Management Practice Group Leader at CompassPoint, then worked with the group on assessing financial conditions of each organization, setting realistic goals for revenue projections, and forecasting costs at multiple levels of service. The group discussed monitoring and tracking activities that are simple yet provide meaningful detail on an agency's financial health.

Anushuka Ferandopulle, Managing People Practice Group Leader at CompassPoint, discussed program portfolio analysis, decision-making processes, and how to implement organization down scaling. Ms. Ferandopulle also worked with the participants to create communication strategies to implement in conjunction with these difficult decisions. Some specific topics covered included evaluation of programs, and communication and managing change.

Steve Lew, Fund Development Practice Group Leader at CompassPoint, worked with the participants on selection of key fundraising strategies and practiced donor communication and solicitation approaches. Mr. Lew talked about source diversity; setting realistic fundraising goals with flexible strategies; strengthening boards as partners in fundraising; and elements for powerful asking.

This organizational development training complemented APIAHF's capacity building work focused on "program development in changing and challenging times". In late August, APIAHF and its partner agencies convened a national meeting, "Community Catalyst". This meeting brought together CBO and community stakeholders to strategize on sustaining HIV prevention interventions for Asian and Pacific Islander communities in these resource-restricted times and under new CDC policies (Advancing HIV Prevention).

Overall, participants felt the training stimulated thinking about his/her leadership, helped to approach key issues or decisions, and helped to assess the external challenges facing his/her organization. One participant commented on the diverse and strategic mix of participant: "Bringing both board and staff people together in one retreat to gain a common understanding and language – hopefully this becomes a unified approach to leading the organizations through these difficult times"

With such an important and successful training, APIAHF hopes to continue building leadership and organizational capacity through skills building training, up-to-date policy and advocacy information, advocacy opportunities and technical services. Look out for more organizational development capacity building activities in the future!

For more information about this training and or on organizational development, please contact ManChui Leung at 415.568.3307 or mleung@apiahf.org. Please visit www.apiahf.org/programs/hivcba/ to learn more about the APIAHF HIV Program.

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EVENTS

Ryan White National Youth Conference on HIV/AIDS

Portland, Oregon

February 13-16, 2004

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Queer Asian Pacific Legacy Conference

New York City, New York

March 5 - 7, 2004

Visit www.queerasianpacificlegacy.org for more information.

APIAHF Having Our Say

April 2, 2004

San Francisco, CA

Educational Forum on health policies of the Presidential platforms for Election 2004. Members of community-based organizations and networks of the Health Forum will discuss issues and concerns of AAPI communities and will present these to representatives from the Republican and Democratic parties. **Fundraising Dinner** honoring former APIAHF President and CEO Tessie Guillermo, featuring testimonials, an audio-visual presentation, raffle prizes, and live music. Visit www.apiahf.org for more information.

4th Annual Center for AIDS

Prevention Studies Conference

Broadening the HIV Prevention Landscape

April 16, 2004

San Francisco, CA

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APIAHF National Conference

Voices From the Community

May 23-25, 2004

Washington, D.C.

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National Minority AIDS Council HIV Prevention Leadership Summit

Atlanta, GA

June 16 - 19, 2004

Visit www.nmac.org for more information.

7th Annual National Youth Advocacy Coalition Summit

Washington, DC

June 4 -6, 2004

Visit www.nyacyouth.org for more information.

XV International AIDS Conference

Bangkok, Thailand

July 11 - 16, 2004

Visit www.ias.se for more information.

National Minority AIDS Council United States Conference on AIDS 2004

Philadelphia, PA

October 21 - 24, 2004

Visit www.nmac.org for more information.

NEW APIAHF HIV PROGRAM WEBSITE

Please check out our new
HIV Program website at
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RESEARCH AWARDS

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Investigator Awards

Announcing the 12th grant cycle of the *Investigator Awards in Health Policy Research* program, established in 1992 by The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. The program provides funding to highly qualified individuals from a variety of fields to undertake broad, innovative, policy-relevant studies of the most challenging health and health care issues facing America. Research grants of up to \$275,000 are available to support 24- to 36-month projects that are broad in scope and potential impact, and hold promise for improving our understanding of significant health and health care-related problems and contributing to the development of sound health policies. Up to 10 awards will be made during the 2004 grant cycle.

The **deadline** for receipt of letters of intent is **April 1, 2004**. More information online at www.ihhpar.rutgers.edu/rwjf

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CommUnity Catalyst

Ed Tepporn, Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum

San Francisco, CA - In April 2003, CDC announced its “Advancing HIV Prevention: New Strategies for a Changing Epidemic” Initiative to focus HIV prevention efforts. This initiative, in combination with CDC’s Program Announcement 04064 - HIV Prevention Projects for Community-Based Organizations, would significantly impact many organization’s HIV prevention programs. With this in mind, Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum, Asian & Pacific Islander Wellness Center, and their partner agencies began planning for a national meeting to sustain and strengthen current interventions in Asian & Pacific Islander (A&PI) communities while simultaneously strategizing on how to best adapt to the changing HIV prevention paradigms.

On August 22-24, 2003 in Seattle, Wa, over 45 participants gathered together for “CommUnity Catalyst: A National Meeting of Community- Based Organizations and Networks Focusing on HIV Prevention for A&PIs.” Over the course of the weekend, participants had the opportunity to share best practices with each other, as well as learn about promising and evidence-based interventions for A&PI communities that focused on:

- HIV counseling, testing, and referral
- Behavioral interventions
- Prevention case management
- Prevention with positives
- Community mobilization

Some of the organizations/networks that presented at the meeting included: Asian & Pacific Islander Coalition on HIV/AIDS (NY), AIDS Services in Asian Communities (PA), Asian Pacific Health Care Venture (CA), Asian Pacific AIDS Intervention Team (CA), Asian & Pacific Islander Wellness Center (CA), Maui AIDS Foundation (HI), South Asian Network, Asian & Pacific Islander Youth and HIV/AIDS Network, and the HAPI (HIV+ Asians & Pacific Islanders) Network.

If you are interested in receiving any of the Power Point presentations from this meeting, please contact Ed Tepporn at APIAHF by phone at 415.568.3309 or by email at etepporn@apiahf.org



POLICY ALERT

APIAHF Statement on NIH Peer Review

The Asian and Pacific Islander American Health Forum (APIAHF) is deeply concerned about recent efforts by some members of Congress to interfere with important social and behavioral research funded by the National Institutes for Health (NIH). All NIH-funded studies go through a highly competitive and rigorous scientific peer-review process. This process is widely regarded for producing high quality science and ensuring that the pursuit of knowledge is objective, scientifically sound, and ethical. APIAHF believes that attempts by special interest groups to undermine this peer review process are a disservice to the public and threaten the integrity of merit-based, scientific oversight. We fear that the circulation of this list within Congress and NIH has already had a profoundly chilling effect upon the willingness of scientists to undertake certain research.

APIAHF urges Congress to respect the integrity of the NIH peer review process and not to allow issues of ideology and politics to halt or interfere with important scientific research. We urge the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) to take a public stand in support of the public health value of biomedical and behavioral research aimed at reducing the toll of HIV/AIDS and other infectious diseases, and the integrity of the peer-review process.

The Traditional Values Coalition generated a list of NIH researchers who they claim are conducting “prurient” health research. The list was made available to members of the House Energy and Commerce Committee as part of an ongoing investigation of objectionable NIH programs. The list in turn was handed over to the NIH along with a request for, according to NIH spokesperson John Burklow, a “written explanation of the medical benefits that could hope to be derived from these projects.” The written response of the NIH to Congress is expected by mid-November. Burklow says that the agency will not comment on the merits of individual grants but will respond to Congress with a letter that describes the value of the studies and the review process.

The list contains descriptions and details of funding for over 200 projects on topics such as HIV prevention, adolescent sexual behavior, substance abuse, and female sexual response. Most of the research projects would benefit marginalized groups of women, children, gay men, and minorities. Several of the research projects on the list could yield important insights on the social and behavioral components of health for Asian American and Pacific Islanders, particularly regarding sexual health and HIV/AIDS.

APIAHF is a national advocacy organization whose mission is to enable all Asian American and Pacific Islanders (AAPI) to attain the highest possible level of health and well-being. AAPI are among the fastest growing racial/ethnic populations in the United States, increasing 95% from 1980 to 1990, and another 75% percent from 1990 to 2000 when you include multi-racial AAPI. We work very closely with community-based organizations around the country and in the U.S. Pacific territories, and HHS to promote policies, programs and research that will benefit our communities. APIAHF will join other organizations interested in protecting the peer-review process on December 10, 2003 at the first meeting of *The National Alliance to Support Sexual Health Research and Policy*. For additional information please go to http://www.house.gov/reform/min/politicsandscience/nih_support.htm

For more information about this statement and or HIV Program policy, please contact Gem Daus, APIAHF Director of Policy at 202.466.7772 or gdaus@apiahf.org. Mail correspondence can be sent to the Washington D.C. office : 1001 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 835 , Washington, D.C. 20036.

Just Chow For Now!

Prescott Chow has left Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum to pursue his graduate degree, after 6 years working in HIV technical assistance and capacity building. Previous to that Prescott worked 6 years providing direct services in the HIV/AIDS field. He is now attending New York University in New York City, NY as a full time student. THANK YOU Prescott for your remarkable work with APIAHF and GOOD LUCK with all your endeavors! We miss you!



“My first encounter with Prescott Chow’s name was through the valuable emails I received from APIAHF’s HIV Info listserv, during my position as Special Assistant for Asian Affairs for the State of Illinois. Prescott established a space for sharing ideas, making initiatives, forging policies, and implementing recommendations in the arena of Asian American and Pacific Islander HIV/AIDS issues. Prior to becoming the President and Chief Executive Officer of APIAHF, I was very impressed by the work of Prescott. My work with APIAHF allowed me to appreciate Prescott even more. Professionally, Prescott excels both in HIV/AIDS related issues and in his vision for the highest level of health and well-being in the Asian American and Pacific Islander community. Prescott walks his talks and always includes Native Hawaiians and other Pacific Islanders as part of his quest for parity in health. He is not only a leader within his program, but also an excellent manager and a good friend. I truly appreciate his care and attention.”

-Dr. Ho L. Tran, APIAHF President and CEO

Behind the Scenes at the 2003 USCA Asian Pacific Islander Institute

Henry Ocampo, Asian & Pacific Islander Wellness Center



San Francisco, CA - The 2003 United States Conference on AIDS (USCA) was held at New Orleans, Louisiana, September 18-21. This year’s USCA was right after the Asian and Pacific Islander CommUnity Catalyst held on August 22-24, 2003 in Seattle, Washington (see Ed Tepporn’s article page 4). National capacity building assistance providers convened, CommUnity Catalyst, to inform the community based organizations and community leaders of the Advancing HIV Prevention (AHP) initiative from the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and review Best Practices/models for HIV prevention behavioral interventions for Asian & Pacific Islanders.

For USCA, Asian and Pacific Islander Institute, national capacity assistance providers used this important gathering of Asian and Pacific Islander HIV/AIDS leaders to continue the discussion from CommUnity Catalyst and focus on action steps.

Over 30 participants attended the Asian and Pacific Islander Institute from across the United States, including the Pacific Island jurisdictions. There were a total of 11 participants from the East Coast: Atlanta (1), Boston (1), Connecticut (1), New York (4), Philadelphia (4). The Midwest had 2 participants, each from Cleveland and Chicago. The West Coast had a total of 14: Los Angeles (8), San Diego (1), San Francisco (3), Seattle (2). There were 4 participants representing the Pacific: Hawai’i (2), and Federated States of Micronesia (2).

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There was even a special guest appearance from USCA Open Plenary speaker, Dr. David Ho, who said a few welcoming words to the Asian and Pacific Islander Institute participants. Dr. David Ho was Time magazine's 1996 Man of the Year, honored for his groundbreaking work in protease inhibitors and is the Founding Scientific Director and Chief Executive Officer of Aaron Diamond AIDS Research Center. He announced that he was currently working on a new AIDS vaccine, which he will bring to China for clinical trials. Not only did he take pictures with participants at the Asian and Pacific Islander Institute, Dr. David Ho stayed throughout the morning session.



USCA 2003 A&PI Institute Participants

During the morning session, the participants were presented with an overview of the current political climate and changes with HIV prevention. The presentation covered the new CDC AHP initiative, how the new initiative affects Asian and Pacific Islander communities, and updated Asian and Pacific Islander HIV/AIDS statistics.

The afternoon was a time for action! Participants broke up into smaller groups by 4 regions: East Coast & South, Midwest, West Coast, Hawai'i & the Pacific. This session provided time for participants to meet in their respective regions and start to discuss how these new initiatives from CDC will affect their programs. The sessions also provided opportunities to brainstorm on action steps. Each group was given the follow 3 questions to answer:

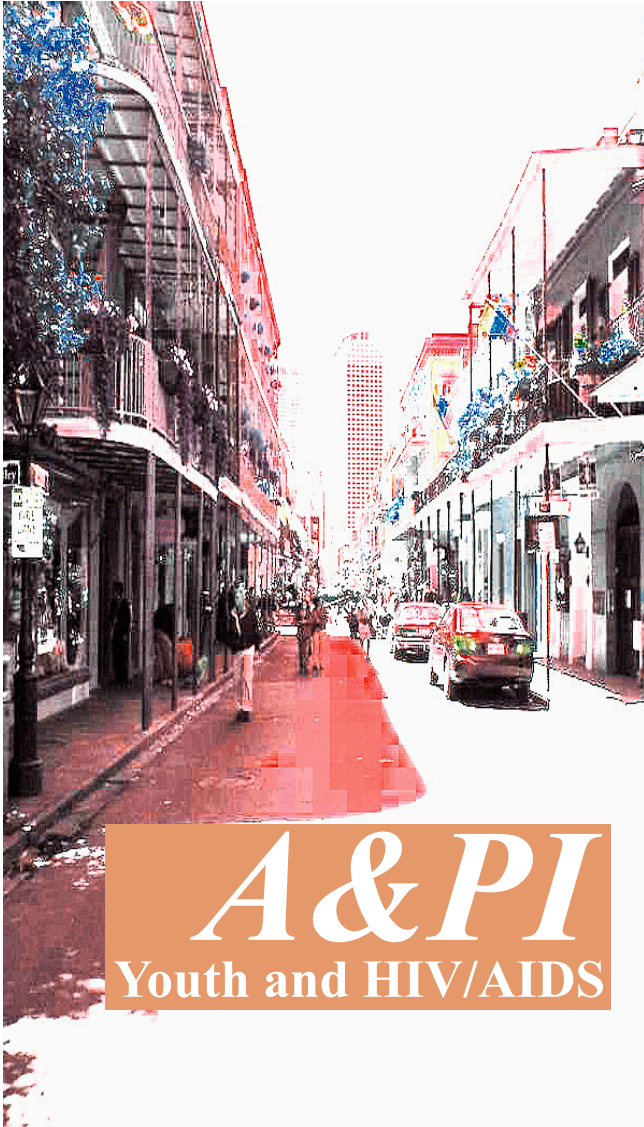


Dr. David Ho

1. What are the policy or funding changes happening in your region?
Examples may include online data entry, Community Planning Group (CPG) reprioritization of prevention with positive interventions, Health Department redirecting funding, criteria for evaluation, flat or de-funding of programs.
2. How do you see policy or funding changes affect your services?
3. How do you plan to address these changes to continue and/or sustain your work?

After countless discussions and hours of planning, I believe that the Asian and Pacific Islander Institute was a success. Not only did new bonds of friendship and collaborations form among the participants, participants better understood CDC's AHP initiative and its implications on Asian and Pacific Islanders. More importantly, achievable strategies were created to address AHP and committed to by each region.

For more information about the USCA 2003 A&PI Institute, please contact Henry Ocampo at 415.292.3420 extension 375 or henry@apiwellness.org.



A&PI
Youth and HIV/AIDS

Youth Leadership Showing It All in New Orleans

The National Asian & Pacific Islander Youth and HIV/AIDS Network convened an in-person meeting at this year's U.S. Conference on AIDS (USCA) at New Orleans, LA on September 19, 2003. Two areas the Network focused on for the meeting was evaluation and next steps. The network did an overall evaluation of their work by looking at accomplishment of their overall goals and mission that focused on 1) leadership development, 2) strengthening culturally/linguistically competent youth programming, and 3) advocacy.

Members agreed that there was an increase of activity and skills from this year compared to last year, stronger peer-to-peer support and resource sharing, especially among providers. In addition the Network was very visible at national settings (e.g. USCA, CommUnity Catalyst, Ryan White Youth Conference) and has had successful outcomes of advocacy efforts (e.g. Los Angeles' Ohana House received funding as a result of CDC-HRSA Young MSM consultation in 2001). Lastly, the members looked at steps during the next 4 to 5 months, and decided to focus on developing a Network website that provides necessary information and resources to support the group.

For more information about the Youth Network, please visit www.apiahf.org/programs/hivcba or you may also contact ManChui Leung at 415.568.3307 or mleung@apiahf.org.

Perspectives: USCA Experience

Collin Kwan, National Asian & Pacific Islander Youth and HIV/AIDS Network Member

Seattle, WA - The face-to-face meeting and USCA was a great experience. I really felt the face-to-face meeting helped to bring closure to the network experience and really drive what will happen to the network in the future. Making a proposal for the website really made me feel that the network will accomplish all that it has sought out to be. It now will truly be a network of resources and friends.

I am honored and grateful that I can say I was a part of this network and that my involvement made an impact on another Asian & Pacific Islander youth, whether it is the friends that I made or a youth that will access its resources in the future. USCA was an experience I will always remember. I never expected my workshop proposal to be accepted and it was a complete honor to present at the conference. I met several inspiring people including, Dr. David Ho (HIV/AIDS researcher), Paul Kawata (Executive Director of National Minority AIDS Coalition), and Suki Ports (Executive Director of Family Health Project), that can be in many ways described as "legendary" to the Asian & Pacific Islander community. It was my first time to New Orleans and experiencing it with some great friends made the city unforgettable - Beignets, Bourbon St., Port of Call, hot sauce, Hooters, MAC and strippers.

USCA Brings Focus on Asia

Eric Thai, National Asian & Pacific Islander Youth and HIV/AIDS Network Member

Boston, MA - The 2003 United States Conference on AIDS in New Orleans featured an international plenary session and invited Dr. Wan Yanhai as a speaker about the epidemic in China. If folks remember from 2002, participants in Anaheim were asked by Paul Kawata of National Minority AIDS Council to demand for the release of Dr. Yanhai after detainment by the Chinese government. Luckily, Dr. Yanhai was subsequently released and has been making the rounds in presenting valuable information about the impact of HIV/AIDS in China.

As Dr. Yanhai reports, the transmission of HIV in China has been largely attributed to injection drug use and the illegal blood buying practices linked to provincial government programs. The immense difficulty in treating those affected by HIV is due to the lack of appropriate resources for already diagnosed individuals, stigma associated with the HIV infection, and government sanctions taken against people who are aware of their status. Another important barrier to care for all individuals living with HIV is the lack of education and awareness around HIV/AIDS fundamentals. Furthermore, successful treatment with regimens utilizing anti-retroviral therapy drugs has been hampered by patients' complaints of undesirable side effects, which can potentially generate drug-resistant strains of HIV. In addition, general lack of sensitivity and acceptance of people living with HIV/AIDS has made it difficult to reach out to this community for treatment.

The issues faced by people in China are similar to the kind that we face here in the United States. Although there is supposedly low prevalence rate among Asian & Pacific Islander's, lack of knowledge around serostatus and stigmatization in a variety of institutional settings often affects HIV screening rates and the potential for misreporting of numbers. Young people from immigrant communities or with limited English proficiency are extremely vulnerable to HIV infection if they can't understand the presentations about HIV prevention in their health education classes. In particular, high risk factors such as injection drug use and unprotected sex are issues that needed to be confronted and not shrugged off as irrelevant topics of discussion among API youth.

As much as I appreciated the applause and support of all the USCA participants for Dr. Yanhai's work in China, it is essential that the same support be shown in our domestic work in the United States. As evidence that HIV can exist in Asian & Pacific Islander communities, the same invisibility among Asian & Pacific Islander's actual risk for contracting HIV is very high. Lack of media and government attention on our communities can potentially produce the same occurrence as we have seen in China. As many people continue to immigrate to the United States, they bring the same cultural roots and ways of thinking about HIV, which we need to ensure, are not putting them at any additional risk.

Our work in the Youth Network has grown significantly, especially in our need to look at the impact of HIV on Asians and Pacific Islanders at the global level. While media focuses on the pandemic in Africa is definitely important, we must not forget about those people living in China and many other countries in Asia and the Pacific Islands. My hope is that our youth members will eventually be able to continue their work abroad and at the same time continue our efforts domestically to remind people within and outside of our communities that the HIV/AIDS battle is not over and that youth are key players in this fight.

Can You SEA Me Now? Good!

Ed Tepporn, Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum

San Francisco, CA - Just over a year after the first National Meeting on HIV Prevention in Southeast Asian (SEA) Communities, the Steering Committee for the Southeast Asian HIV/AIDS Network met in New Orleans, LA on September 17, 2003. The mission of the Southeast Asian HIV/AIDS Network is to assist in building the capacity of organizations and communities to address the HIV/AIDS prevention needs and challenges of SEA communities in the United States.



Southeast
Asians and HIV/AIDS

The Steering Committee was charged with the task of working to complete the network's national resource inventory of HIV prevention resources for SEAs and to discuss the future direction of the network. The resource inventory was the initial project that the Southeast Asian HIV/AIDS Network wanted to focus their efforts on. At this meeting, the participants made several key decisions clarifying the information that will be presented in the resource inventory.

The resource inventory will include:

- An epidemiology profile of Southeast Asian-related HIV and HIV-related data
- A literature review of research/studies pertaining to SEA populations
- A listing of organizations that currently provide HIV prevention services to Southeast Asian American communities
- A compilation of "best practices" from organizations that currently have HIV prevention programs that are specifically designed for SEA communities

Keep an eye out for the Resource Inventory, which is currently scheduled for release in early 2004.

The Steering Committee also discussed the future of the network given the potential changes in CDC's funding for community-based organizations and for capacity building providers. Despite the potential that there will be limited funding for the Southeast Asian HIV/AIDS Network over the next year, the Steering Committee remain committed to ensuring that the Southeast Asian Network continues to at a minimum serve as a forum for members to stay connected and provide peer support for one another.

Much thanks to those who attended the meeting including: Irena Bui, Long Banh, Xuan-Lan Doan, Chheub Bun Heng, Aloun Khotisene, Plunket Phommachanh, Yotin Srivanjarean, and Teang Sy. Special thanks to Vatsana Chanthala, a new Southeast Asian Network member, for serving as our local host. If you would like more information about the Southeast Asian Network, please contact Ed Tepporn at APIAHF by phone at 415.568.3309 or by email at etepporn@apiahf.org.

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The Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum (APIAHF) continues to be a national advocacy organization dedicated to promoting policy, program, and research efforts to improve the health and well-being of Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) communities. Since 1986, APIAHF has advocated on health issues of significance to AAPI communities such as HIV, conducted community-based technical assistance and training, provided health and U.S. Census data analysis and information dissemination, and convened regional and national conferences on AAPI health.

While our programs around HIV, chronic diseases and domestic violence enjoy a stable funding base from government contracts and private institutions, we rely on individuals like you for the APIAHF's core operating support.

We hope you consider making a personal donation today. You may send a check payable to APIAHF and mail to: APIAHF 450 Sutter St. Ste., 600, San Francisco, CA 94108, or you can donate online at: www.apiahf.org/support

As with most non-profit organizations, we have gone through some rough sailing in the past few years. However, our programs and vision keep us alive and motivated to move forward in improving the health of our communities. We hope you can be part of that journey.

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