AGENDA and OBJECTIVES

Second Annual Meeting of the Florida Consortium for HIV/AIDS Research

Supported by The AIDS Institute

January 9, 2012, 8:30 am – 4:00 pm, ET, Orlando

8:30-8:45 – Welcome and Introductions: Leslie Ahonkhai, Dr. Jeffrey Beal, Michael Ruppal

8:45-9:00 – Spencer Lieb, MPH (TAI / FCHAR): Consortium Update: Recommendations, Accomplishments, Unresolved Challenges

9:00-9:45 – Panel and Audience Discussion: Ethics and the IRB: Research Issues and Options (Moderator: Spencer Lieb, MPH)

9:45-10:00 – Berry Bennett, MPH (DOH Bureau of Laboratories): 4th Generation HIV Assays and Anticipated Advances in Testing Technology

10:00-10:15 – BREAK

Three Panels on the Risks, Challenges and Benefits of Collaboration:

10:15-11:00 – PART I: Social/Behavioral/Epidemiologic Studies (Moderator: Marlene LaLota, MPH [DOH])

11:00-11:45 – PART II: Clinical Trials (Moderator: Margaret Fischl, MD [UM])

11:45-1:00 – NETWORKING LUNCHEON (Provided)

1:00-1:45 – PART III: Basic Science Investigations (Moderator: Jeffrey Beal, MD [Florida/Caribbean AETC])

1:45-2:30 – Subcommittee Briefs (Spencer Lieb, MPH):

ARV and Other Therapeutics and Basic Science: Novel Hypotheses and Other Issues

Regional Networks: Justifications for Network Boundaries, Memorandums of Understanding and Other Issues

Hard-To-Reach Populations: Implications of the Survey and Other Issues

Research Education: Brochures and Research Inventory

2:30-3:30 – Open Discussion. Moderators: Jeffrey Beal, MD, and Michael Ruppal (TAI).

Finding Hard-to-Reach Populations and Hard-to-Obtain Biologic Specimens;

Recruitment of a Person Living with HIV to the Executive Advisory Committee;

Nominal Investment of Member Institutions in FCHAR; Securing Long-Term Funding for FCHAR; other issues
3:30-4:00 – Wrap-Up and Evaluation

Action Steps and Target Dates for Completion

Scheduling Future Meetings and Conference Calls

4:00 – Adjourn

The objectives of the annual meeting are the same as those of the Consortium:

**Cooperation:** Find common HIV research interest areas and network to bring new resources/studies to Florida

**Share** and inventory HIV clinical trials, prevention studies, and basic science research to develop a central source for research study compilation within Florida

**Educate** clinicians, HIV support teams, and consumers to promote appropriate referral and entry of patients into clinical trials

**Collaborate:** Partner on proposed and future unique studies that address primary and secondary HIV prevention, improve patient outcomes, and advance an understanding of microbicides, a cure, and a vaccine

**Resolve** challenges and discuss solutions to recruitment of participants for prevention studies, behavioral studies, and clinical trials; address challenges in collecting biologic specimens for virologic and other basic science studies

**Identify** active or future protocols accessible to our patients for the prevention and treatment of HIV infection

MODERATORS and PANELISTS

**ETHICS AND IRB PANEL:**
Spencer Lieb, MPH (TAI / FCHAR), moderator. Panelists: Drs. Ray Moseley (UF-Gainesville), Kenneth Goodman (UM), and Paul Arons (former DOH IRB member)

**EPIDEMIOLOGIC/SOCIO-BEHAVIORAL STUDIES PANEL**
Marlene LaLota, MPH (Bureau of HIV/AIDS, DOH) moderator. Panelists: Drs. Robert Cook (UF-Gainesville), Celia Lescano (USF) and Lisa Metsch (UM),

**CLINICAL TRIALS PANEL**
Dr. Margaret Fischl (UM), moderator. Panelists: Drs. Mobeen Rathore (UF-Jax), Charurut Somboonwit (USF) and Gerald Pierone (ARTC)

**BASIC SCIENCE/VIROLOGY/THERAPEUTICS PANEL**
Dr. Jeffrey Beal (FL-Caribbean AETC), moderator. Panelists: Drs. Rafick-Pierre Sekaly (VGTI), John Sleasman (USF), Derek Dykxhoorn (UM) and Maureen Goodenow (UF-Gainesville)

**Voting Executive Advisory Committee Members**

1. Florida/Caribbean AETC, Dr. Jeffrey Beal – Chairperson
2. Florida International University, Dr. Rob Malow
3. Florida State University, Dr. Neil Abell
4. Nova Southeastern University, Dr. Isa Fernandez
5. University of Florida-Jacksonville, Dr. Moeen Rathore
6. University of Miami, Dr. Margaret Fischl
7. University of South Florida, Dr. John Sleasman
8. University of Central Florida, Dr. Alexander Cole
9. Vaccine and Gene Therapy Institute (VGTI), Dr. Rafick-Pierre Sekaly
10. University of Miami, Yuri Valesquez

**Non-Voting Executive Advisory Committee Members**

1. The AIDS Institute, FCHAR HIV/AIDS Research Coordinator, Spencer Lieb, MPH (In the event of a tie vote of the voting EAC members the HIV/AIDS Research Coordinator shall cast the deciding vote)
2. University of Florida-Gainesville, Dr. Robert Cook
3. Florida Department of Health, Bureau of Laboratory Services, Berry Bennett, MPH
4. Florida Department of Health, Bureau of HIV/AIDS, Surveillance, Becky Grigg, PhD
5. Florida Department of Health, Bureau of HIV/AIDS, Prevention, Marlene LaLota, MPH
6. The AIDS Institute, Executive Director, Michael Ruppal
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