Minutes	Friday, July 17th ,2026, 2:00pm	
HIV PREVENTION PLANNING GROUP QUARTERLY MEETING	**Teams virtual meeting:** Link to meeting at the bottom of this agenda **In person options:** One Stop Sioux Falls 1501 S. Highland Ave, Sioux Falls (Front desk ask for Justin Reinfeld)	SOUTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Meeting Goals:

I. Program updates
II. Voting in new member(s), Removing voting member(s)
III. Community non-profit spotlight – Mutual AID
IV. Pillar groups report off on updated Integrated Plan goals and strategies

2:00PM

ROLL CALL AND DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

Justin Reinfeld, Kacee Redden-Benz, Brooke Hoffman, Courtney Bruntz, Darrin Alfson, Jill Kesler, Ana Nemec, Nicholas Howell, Vanessa Sweeney, Taylor Davison, Courtney Voss, Hannah Rabayev, Seth Bieber, Dusty Frendberg, Seth's friend Megan (did not want to be shown)

Quorum has been met

ADOPT AGENDA

First: Vanessa Sweeney
Second: Justin Reinfeld
Approved

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM May 2026 MEETING

First: Seth Bieber
Second: Ana Nemec
Approved

PUBLIC INPUT/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Seth Bieber: Dental Dams and Female Condoms are being looked into for Prevention Funds through Heartland Health. There is access for condoms and Plan B.
  - Alfson: Total Access Group sells dental dams, but Female condoms need to have a prescription.
  - Taylor Davidson: Global Protection Corp work with FC2 so they can be purchased without a prescription.
- Jill Kesler: Radio station will be running ads and there will be free tests (all STIs and pregnancy tests) offered in the Eagle Butte area. This month is general awareness and can text Native Test. This is a 3-month contract. Second and third month will be focused on PrEP.

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Member appointments:

- Vote to accept new member application(s).
    - Taylor Davidson, MPH – Great Plains Tribal Plains Tribal Health Board
        - Epidemiology Center
            - First: Seth Bieber
            - Second: Courtney Bruntz
                - Approved
- Vote to remove inactive members.
    - Jessica Buckley
    - Jenn Sobolik
        - On the planning group as nonvoting members but can still be on the planning group. Complete Health currently has 3 voting members for our PPG meeting. Removing them as voting members will allow for us to meet quorum easier.
            - First: Courtney Voss
            - Second: Seth Bieber
                - Approved
- Vote to change May meeting to April. (This will need to be updated in the by-laws).0
    - Instead of the 3rd Saturday in May, the meeting will be moved to the third Saturday in April.
        - First: Ana Nemec
        - Second: Seth Bieber
            - Approved

2:30PM

Updates:

- Ryan White Program
    - No updates
- STI Program
    - Supplemental Congenital Syphilis application
        - Amount applied for: $150,000
        - Timeframe: July 31, 2026 – February 28, 2027
        - Plan to offer at-home tests similar to HIV at-home tests
        - Purchase medications, pregnancy tests, and rapid HIV/syphilis tests to utilize within the DOH field offices.
        - Hopefully will find out if our application is approved before July 31st.
    - Updated Standing Orders at DOH field offices to include:
        - Testing and treatment of 16 year olds and up
        - Treatment of syphilis using Doxycycline
        - Testing for Pregnancy with referrals to Public Health Nursing Services if pregnant
        - Test and treat of symptomatic people
    - January 1st to May 31st, 2026 Provisional Data
        - Chlamydia
            - 1,511 cases
            - 24.7% decrease from 5-year median
            - Counties with the highest number of chlamydia cases:
                - Oglala Lakota – 5%

        - Todd – 5.2%
        - Lincoln – 6.4%
        - Pennington – 17.2%
        - Minnehaha – 25.6%
    - Gender
        - Female: 67.2%
        - Male: 32.8%
    - Age
        - <13: 1 case
        - 13-17: 130 cases
        - 18-24: 786 cases
        - 25-39: 495 cases
        - 40-64: 95 cases
        - 65+: 3 cases
    - Race
        - American Indian/Alaskan Native: 41.8%
        - White: 40.3%
        - Black/African American: 9.5%
        - Asian: 0.9%
- Gonorrhea
    - 499 cases
    - 50.1% decrease from 5-year median
    - Counties with the highest number of gonorrhea cases:
        - Todd –21 cases
        - Lincoln – 26 cases
        - Oglala Lakota – 30 cases
        - Pennington – 109 cases
        - Minnehaha – 210 cases
    - Gender
        - Female: 51.7%
        - Male: 48.3%
    - Age
        - <13: 0.4%
        - 13-17: 6.8%
        - 18-24: 32.7%
        - 25-39: 45.7%
        - 40-64: 13.6%
        - 65+: 0.8%
    - Race
        - American Indian/Alaskan Native: 50.9%
        - White: 27.9%
        - Black/African American: 15.6%
        - Hispanic, any race: 7.6%
        - Other: 2.6%
- Congenital Syphilis
    - 1 case
    - 92.9% decrease from 5-year median

        - Early Syphilis
            - 85 cases
            - 79.3% decrease from 5-year median
            - Counties with the highest number of early syphilis cases:
                - Todd – 9%
                - Pennington – 13%
                - Dewey – 13%
                - Minnehaha – 21%
            - Gender
                - Female: 62.4%
                - Male: 37.6%
            - Age
                - <13: 0
                - 13-17: 0
                - 18-24: 22.3%
                - 25-39: 51.8%
                - 40-64: 23.5%
                - 65+: 2.3%
            - Race
                - American Indian/Alaskan Native: 76.5%
                - White: 18.8%
                - Hispanic, any race: 4.7%
                - Other: 3.5%
        - All Syphilis
            - 192 cases
            - 70.5% decrease from 5-year median
            - Stages
                - Unknown Duration or late: 107 cases
                - Early nonprimary & nonsecondary: 58 cases
                - Secondary: 4 cases
                - Primary: 23 cases
            - Gender
                - Female: 105 cases
                - Male: 87 cases
            - Age
                - <13: 0 cases
                - 13-17: 4 cases
                - 18-24: 32 cases
                - 25-39: 95 cases
                - 40-64: 56 cases
                - 65+: 5 cases
    - Maternity Leave Tentatively starting at the beginning of September and will not return until late November.
- HIV Program
    - Supplemental Funding
    - Site Visit in September and may stay for PPG Meeting in Rapid City

- Health Alert message to go out about regarding cluster information. Currently with the State Epidemiologist and Secretary of Health.
- Provisional Data
  - Newly Diagnosed HIV: 28
    - 2 Late Testers
      - Gender:
        - 46% Female
        - 54% Male
          - Previous Year normally 25% female and 75% male. Risk is shifting to IV drug use, which may be the reason female percentages are going up.
      - Race:
        - 21% White
        - 11% Black
        - 64% American Indian
        - 4% Asian
      - Age
        - 25-39: 50%
        - 40-64: 40%
        - 13-24: 11%
      - Counties with highest incidence
        - Minnehaha
        - Pennington
        - Dewey
      - Ongoing cluster in Dewey County is still going on.
      - Top Risk Factors
        - 74% Heterosexual
        - 26% Male to Male sex partners
        - 30% Anonymous sex
        - 54% History of injection drug use (higher than national average)
        - 48% History of incarceration
      - Coinfections with Syphilis
        - 7 of the newly diagnosed with HIV have a past history of syphilis infections
        - 5 cases that contracted syphilis that have a history of HIV

- Community Organizations
  - Vanessa Sweeney: Posting CHW position to work more with Prevention efforts.
  - Taylor Davidson:
    - Tribal centered and tribally designed STI, HIV, Hep C, and PrEP education. This can be provided through any tribal organization and tribal serving organization.
      - TA request link: Request Technical Assistance and Training - Great Plains Tribal Health
    - Tribal Member Self-Test Kits are available. These do not get mailed out but tribal organizations, PHNs, CHWs, etc. can access these.
      - Harm Reduction Vending Machines in Rapid City & Cheyenne River.
        - HIV self-test Oraquick

        - Female condoms
        - Dental damns
        - Condoms
        - Narcan
        - Age restriction: 12 and up
    - Willing to attend public health events to provide tribal education.

3:00PM

Community Non-profit Spotlight – Sioux Falls Mutual AID

- Seth Bieber, PPG member, Past co-chair
    - Grassroots
        - 4th Tuesday of the month Potluck Dinner; 5pm-7pm
            - Tuesday, July 28th: Potluck dinner near the Teddy Bear Den downtown Sioux Falls.
        - Provide food, clothes, utensils, necessities, local political information, coaching, vehicle repairs, and sexual health needs.
        - Weekly Zoom meetings on Mondays.
        - Facebook and Discord groups
        - Needle Exchange Program Legislation created
        - Sovereign People and Reservations focused
        - Funding:
            - STI 'Rez Dogs' commercial within the community that has serious but humor to getting the foot in the door to help navigate some of the rising STI rates.
        - Mutual Aid: Live coaching, relationship coaching, somatic healing, yoga, etc.

3:15PM

Pillar group Integrated Plan goals and objectives discussion/report off

- Goal 1: Diagnose
    - Focus Areas
        - Objective 1: Reduce late testers through provide tool kits and trainings to promote routine opt out testing.
        - Objective 2: Increase statewide access distribution of free at-home test kits.
        - Objective 3: Increase awareness among rural, tribal, foreign-born communities through targeted social media campaigns.
- Goal 2: Treat
    - Focus Areas
        - Objective 1: Increase the 30-day linkage to care rate from baseline
            - 2025 (29/35 linked within 30-days) 82%
                - Activities: Provider Trainings
        - Objective 2: Increase knowledge and awareness of HIV among healthcare workers working in mental health, addiction, and social work by offering trainings.
            - July 8th Drug user health training was provided to CRST.
                - Activities: Provider trainings
        - Objective 3: Increase viral suppression rates of PLWH from 85% to 95%.
            - 2024 (85%) 2025 (74%)

        - Activities: Peer mentor programs
- Goal 3: Prevent
    - Focus Areas
        - Objective 1: Increase number of healthcare centers in rural and tribal jurisdictions actively promoting and prescribing PrEP.
            - Number of PrEP Providers (unknown) PrEP referrals 2025 (24%) 2026 YTD (48%)
                - Activities: April 1st conducted a PrEP training for CRST. CHAD provided a Lunch and Learn Series that included PrEP training. PrEPTool kit on HealthAF landing page.
        - Objective 2: Increase PrEP referrals
            - PrEP referrals 2025 (24%) 2026 YTD (48%)
                - Activities: Trainings to prevention staff and DIS, toolkit awareness, and establishing MOAs with telePrEP companies.
        - Objective 3: Identify PrEP access points in rural are deserts by establishing partnerships with telehealth agencies.
            - Activities: Initiated a MOA with Freddie to be a statewide PrEP Provider.
- Goal 4: Respond
    - Focus Areas
        - Objective 1: Develop HIV data dashboard to identify trends early for response
            - In the process of developing a Data dashboard
        - Objective 2: Establish and maintain partnerships with tribal and community organizations.
            - We continue to add partners. This year we have added ZoeCare (Yankton, Midwest Street Medicine (Sioux Falls, Pierre, and Rapid City), Midtown Sanford Clinic (Sioux Falls), Freddie (telehealth), Monuments Family Health Education Services (Spearfish).
                - Supplemental funding looking to establish contracts with GPTEC and CRST.
        - Objective 3: Use geo targeting campaigns to assist in cluster hot spots. Using data to drive prevention efforts.
            - Currently working with CHAD (HealthyAF) messaging on Grindr, Meta, Snapchat, Vibe, Spotify, Google, and Tribal Radio.

4:00PM - Closing remarks and adjourn.
First: Nicholas Howell
Second: Courtney Bruntz
Meeting is Adjourn 4:00PM.

Future meetings in 2026:
September 19, 2026 (Rapid City)
December 18, 2026 (Virtual)