



# UCHAPS

Urban Coalition for HIV/AIDS Prevention Services

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## UCHAPS Announces new Board Directors

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**Washington, DC** – The Urban Coalition for HIV/AIDS Prevention Services (UCHAPS) elected four new members to the organization's Board of Directors, effective May 1. The new Board members bring a diverse range of perspectives, HIV expertise, and relationships from across the nation. Each has demonstrated experience in organizational development, management, and fundraising – all of which will help guide UCHAPS in its role as a leading voice for HIV prevention.

UCHAPS convenes health department and community leadership to provide a unique platform for collaboration, innovation, and peer learning that has resulted in significant reductions in new HIV infections in member jurisdictions. We remain committed to amplifying the urban HIV response, ensuring that jurisdictions have available the necessary resources to continue breaking down silos, building new partnerships, implementing visionary, ambitious programs, and ultimately ending the HIV epidemic in the United States. To help guide this ambitious agenda, we welcome:

#### **Dr. Andre Ford, PhD (Philadelphia)**

*Chair, University of Pennsylvania Center for AIDS Research Community Advisory Board (UPenn CFAR CAB), Netter Center University of Pennsylvania*

Andre Ford is an experienced advocate, entrepreneur, and management consultant. He is currently the Chair of UPenn CFAR CAB and the National CFAR CAB Coalition (NCCC). He has extensive experience in program management, strategic planning, and public health and government relations. He continues to provide leadership and management for both non-profit and profit organizations and implements new programs. He has worked with a diverse group of community providers, coalitions, agencies and research initiatives. Andre has also been a member of the Ryan White Planning Council for Philadelphia.

#### **Mr. Jay Fournier, MS, MSW (Oakland)**

*Regional Account Manager  
Walgreens Specialty Pharmacy*

Jay Fournier has over thirty years of professional career working in the HIV and Hepatitis C prevention/care field. Jay is an experienced prevention specialist and advocate and has worked as a Medical Social Worker, Case Manager, Prevention Program Director, HIV Program Training Consultant, and National Advocacy Relations Manager for the Western United States. He is currently working for Walgreens Specialty Pharmacy as the Regional Account Manager for Northern California. Jay continues to provide HIV/AIDS and Hepatitis C consultations providing curriculum development, professional development and capacity building. Jay has a Masters Degree in Administration and Organizational Behavior and Masters Degree in Social Work. He has been a 15-year resident of Oakland, California with his husband and two dogs.

**Mr. Sanford E. Gaylord, BS (Chicago)**

*Regional Resource Consultant, Regional Resource Network Program  
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Region V*

Sanford E. Gaylord brings more than 20 years of experience in the field of HIV/AIDS, with specific expertise in social services, bio-medical and behavioral research/interventions, public policy, and implementation of federal programs and initiatives. He currently serves as the Regional Resource Consultant for the Regional Resource Network Program at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services - Region V (IL, IN, MI, MN, OH, and WI). Sanford previously served as the Project Director for Project POWER at the John H. Stroger Hospital of Cook County. Sanford served as a Community Advisory Board member for the Chicago Developmental Center for AIDS Research and is a member of the Black Gay Research Group and the Chicago Area HIV Integrated Services Council. He is also an accomplished actor and writer inducted in the Chicago LGBT Hall of Fame in 2012. Sanford's contributions to the LGBT movement are profiled at Chicago Gay History.com

**Ms. Alisa Howard, (Las Vegas)**

*Former Director of Ryan White Part B Program, Minority Health Services  
Las Vegas Urban League*

Alisa Howard is an HIV advocate and health consultant in Las Vegas, Nevada. Currently, she serves as a member of the Minority Health & Equity Coalition and an advisory board member to THNK, Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program. She has been recognized for her community dedication. She has served on the Southern Nevada HIV Prevention Planning Board along with being highly active with the Southern Nevada HIV Consortium. Alisa served as Director of Ryan White Part B Program, Minority Health Services at the Las Vegas Urban League. In this role, she served as linchpin for the Minority HIV community working closely with Nevada Democratic Legislators. She created and implemented several HIV community impact projects with the Southern Nevada Health District and community stakeholders to mobilize HIV testing and education within FBOs and NPO's. Alisa takes pride in being an innovative thinker with a passion for helping people.

**About UCHAPS**

The Urban Coalition for HIV/AIDS Prevention Services (UCHAPS) is a national collaboration of community partners and health departments dedicated to preventing new HIV infections and reducing health disparities, morbidity, and mortality. UCHAPS collaborates with allied organizations and federal partners to reach our common goals, and continually explores ways to improve the delivery of services by using a peer technical assistance model to exchange expertise, strategies, and solutions to common challenges.

UCHAPS was founded in 1999 and received its status as an independent, 501(c) 3 non-profit organization in 2010. Our member jurisdictions include:

Atlanta - Baltimore - Chicago - City and County of San Francisco - Fort Lauderdale -  
Houston - New York City - Philadelphia - Washington, D.C.

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