



**PRESIDENTIAL**  
**ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HIV/AIDS**

**78<sup>th</sup> Presidential Advisory Council on HIV/AIDS (PACHA)**  
**Full Council Meeting**

Wednesday, September 20, 2023

09:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. (ET)

University of Charleston

2300 MacCorkle Ave SE

Charleston, West Virginia 25304

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**Wednesday, September 20, 2023**

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09:00 a.m. (ET)

**Opening Remarks**

John Saperro, MIL

Co-Chair, Ending the HIV Epidemic in the U.S. and the National  
HIV/AIDS Strategy Subcommittee

Ada Stewart, RPh, MD, FAAFP, AAHIVS, HMDC

PACHA Member

09:05 a.m.

**Welcome**

Martin Roth, PhD

President

University of Charleston – West Virginia

09:15 a.m.

**Introductory Remarks**

Rachel L. Levine, MD

Assistant Secretary for Health

Admiral, U.S. Public Health Service

HHS

09:35 a.m.

**Roll Call**

B. Kaye Hayes, MPA

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Infectious Disease

Director, Office of Infectious Disease and HIV/AIDS Policy (OIDP)

Executive Director, PACHA

Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health (OASH)

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

## Ending the HIV Epidemic in Appalachia

09:40 a.m.

### **Epidemiology of HIV in Appalachia**

#### Facilitators:

Michael Saag, MD  
PACHA Member

Ada Stewart, RPh, MD, FAAFP, AAHIVS, HMDC  
PACHA Member

#### Panelists:

Matthew Christiansen, MD, MPH  
Commissioner  
West Virginia Department of Public Health

Michael E. Kilkenny, MD, MS  
CEO and Health Officer  
Cabell-Huntington Health Department

10:20 a.m.

### **BREAK**

10:30 a.m.

### **Addressing HIV and Substance Misuse in Appalachia**

#### Facilitators:

Gregg Alton, JD  
PACHA Member

Vincent Guilamo-Ramos, PhD, MPH, LCSW, RN, ANP-BC,  
PMHNP-BC, AAHIVS, FAAN  
PACHA Member

#### Panelists:

James Berry, DO  
Professor and Chair  
Department of Behavioral Medicine and Psychiatry  
Director of Addictions  
West Virginia University

Judith Feinberg, MD  
Professor of Behavioral Medicine & Psychiatry  
Professor of Medicine/Infectious Diseases  
Dr. E.B. Flink Vice Chair of Medicine for Research  
West Virginia University

Bishop Robert Lee Haley, III  
Pastor and CEO  
Bright Futures Now, Inc.

Sally Hodder, MD  
Professor of Medicine  
Director, West Virginia Clinical & Translational Science  
West Virginia University

Reverend James L. Patterson  
CEO  
Partnership of African American Churches

Lyn M. O'Connell, PhD  
Assistant Professor  
Associate Director of Addiction Sciences  
Marshall Health

12:35 p.m.

**LUNCH**

01:15 p.m.

**Community Efforts to Address the HIV Epidemic in Appalachia**

Facilitators:

Leo Moore, MD, MSHPM  
PACHA Member

Justin Smith, MS, MPH  
PACHA Member

Panelists:

Nakia Austin, MA  
CEO and Co-Founder  
The Healing House, Inc.

LaDawna Walker-Dean, ABD, MSW, BSW  
Program Director, West Virginia Minority Health Initiative  
Marshall University Minority Health Institute  
College of Health Professions  
Marshall University

Angie Settle, DNP, APRN, BC, FNP  
CEO  
West Virginia Health Right, Inc.

Christine Teague, PharmD, MPH, AAHIVP  
Director, HIV Care Ryan White Program  
Charleston Area Medical Center

- 02:55 p.m.      **Perspectives from the Appalachian Regional Commission**  
Facilitator:  
John Saperro, MIL  
Co-Chair, Ending the HIV Epidemic in the U.S. and the National  
HIV/AIDS Strategy Subcommittee
- Presenter:  
Gayle Conelly Manchin, MA  
Federal Co-Chair  
Appalachian Regional Commission
- 03:15 p.m.      **Public Comment Period**  
*Pre-registration is required to provide comment. If you did not pre-register but would like to submit public comment, please email your written statement to Caroline Talev at PACHA@hhs.gov by close of business Wednesday, September 27, 2023.*
- 04:00 p.m.      **BREAK**
- 04:10 p.m.      **“PACHA-to-the-People” Community Engagement Session: We want to hear from YOU!**
- To participate in the conversation, please register [here](#).
- 05:10 p.m.      **Discussion & Reflection**  
John Saperro, MIL  
Co-Chair, Ending the HIV Epidemic in the U.S. and the National  
HIV/AIDS Strategy Subcommittee
- Ada Stewart, RPh, MD, FAAFP, AAHIVS, HMDC  
PACHA Member
- 05:55 p.m.      **Next Steps and Closing Remarks**  
John Saperro, MIL  
Co-Chair, Ending the HIV Epidemic in the U.S. and the National  
HIV/AIDS Strategy Subcommittee
- Ada Stewart, RPh, MD, FAAFP, AAHIVS, HMDC  
PACHA Member
- 06:00 p.m.      **ADJOURN**