PREVENTION MONTHLY AIRS CALL MINUTES – JULY 10TH, 2023

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Attendees

Agency
Action for a Better Community
AIDS Center of Queens County
AIDS Community Resources
Albany Damien Center
Alliance for Positive Health
Asian & Pacific Islander Coalition
Bridging Access to Care
BronxCare Health System
Camba
Caribbean Womens Health Association
Catholic Charities
Centro Civico of Amsterdam
Circulo de la Hispanidad
Community Access Servies of WNY
Community Health Care Network
Cornerstone Family Healthcare
Diaspora Community Services
EOC of Suffolk
Evergreen Health Services
Grand Street Settlement
Harm Reduction Coalition
Hetrick Martin Institute
Hispanic AIDS Forum
La Nueva Esperanza

Agency
Latino Commission on AIDS
Long Island Crisis Center
Make the Road New York
Montefiore Medical Center
Mount Sinai Medical Center
North Shore University Hospital
Osborne Association
Osborne County Opportunities
Pathstone
Planned Parenthood of Greater NY
Pride Center of WNY
Research Foundation of SUNY Brooklyn
South Brooklyn Legal Services
Southern Tier AIDs Program
St. Johns Riverside Hospital
Syracuse Model Neighborhood Facility
Trillium Health
Turning Point INC
University of Rochester
Urban League of Westchester County
Voces Latinas
Westchester Jewish Community Services
William F Ryan Community Health Center
Wyckoff Heights Medical Center

AIDS Institute Staff: *Maureen Burns, William Mccart, Marum Sadiq, Alex Restina, Sushanna Williams, Dayna Griles-Brown, Beth de Leon Stevens, Donald Lee, Beatrice Heeran, Zoe Clandorf, Janice Williams*

Full Recording

Full Recording Here (approx. 54 minutes)

Important Announcements

AIRS 9.0.54 is here!

Upgrade files can be found at Freshdesk

Please backup your data and verify that its being done correctly

Backup attestations will be sent out soon.

Guide To Backup AIRS using AIRS Utilities & AIRS Backup Protocols

Sign Up for Upcoming AIRS Basic Training here! -- Tuesday August 15th 10AM-12:30PM

AIRSNY Mailing List

Meeting minutes from previous monthly conference calls can be found here

AIRS and ERA version

1. AIRS current version -- 9.0.54 (Released 6/29/23)

- You can find instructions for upgrading and upgrade files at Freshdesk
- Thank you to those who have responded to our requests to upgrade!
- If you are having any technical issues after upgrading, please contact NetSmart – SUPPORTAIRS@ntst.com
- **If you upgraded your system before 7/10/2023 10:30 am, and your agency has an ODUH contract, please check your email for guidance from ODUH**

AIRS Upgrade: New Changes and additions

- A fix for the HCV module. Appropriate lab tests, encounters, and service information should be auto generated when rapid HCV tests are entered. **Please reach out if this is not the case!**
- 2 new services and improved language for gender affirming care. Talk with your contract manager if you would like to add the new services to your planning file!
- Material – tracking non-syringe exchange materials provided
- RSR – 2023 RSR Poverty table
- Lab test – add treatment outcomes with the goal of streamlining documentation of treatment
- Group Activities – remove some fields, backend fixes
- Updates for ODUH programs related to modalities and new services

2. ERA current version - 1.0.9.8
   - The Data Unit is available to assist you or your IT department with installing or upgrading ERA. Please email: PreventionDataUnit@health.ny.gov for assistance
   - A new version of ERA is underway and is estimated to be released at the end of July.

3. The next AIRS/Utilities upgrade (estimated release October 2023)
   - **Utilities Upgrade** will include improved table repair options, more unified upgrade process, auto generation of Support Tickets (for outlook users), changes to default folder location requirements, password length flexibility, SDOH mappings.

4. AIRS Training
    - AIRS training documentation and videos can be found at www.airsny.org
    - Online training occurs monthly, and it is recommended to sign up at www.airsny.org to receive notifications of these trainings

5. The future of AIRS is underway
    - This is a slow and steady process; we are currently looking for software developers
    - At this stage, there are no solid dates we can give you for the timeline of this project.
    - Comments and questions about the future of AIRS can be sent to FUTUREAIRS@health.ny.gov

Backing Up

1. Friendly reminder to back up your system on a regular basis
    - If you lose your data and don't have a backup it can take MONTHS to get it back, and it will not be complete
    - Please verify that your backups being run through utilities are being saved to the correct folder and then save them on an encrypted external flash drive as well.
    - Your IT team is responsible for any nightly server backups
    - We will be sending out backup attestations soon to confirm that agencies are following backup protocols

Mapping Updates

1. Half of the year 2 HHS contracts have received their mappings; Brand new contractors or contractors who had a break in funding will receive new AIRS systems, William will be in touch.
2. New YMSM and YHA mappings are making their way through admin, making data maps is the last step in the process. We estimate that these mappings will be sent in a few weeks, thank you for your patience!
3. YMSM, YHA, MSA, CDI, and CSP contracts are beginning a new 5-year cycle. Data entry can continue after you receive a new planning file.

Contact the Prevention Data Unit

- If you have any general questions or requests for the Prevention Data Unit you can direct those requests to PreventionDataUnit@health.ny.gov

Meeting Minutes Attachments and follow up Materials

- Attachments related to this call:

    - AIRS 9.0.54 Release Notes

Previously shared but always useful:

Backing up:

- AIRS Backup Protocols
- How To Backup AIRS using AIRS Utilities

Running and submitting your AIRS data extracts:

- **Check out the** video tutorial on the new extracts process here
- **Check out the** written instructions on the new extracts process here!

How to enter HIV testing in AIRS:

- CTR Module in AIRS: How2 Enter CTR

Getting the most out of ERA for program monitoring and evaluation – Installing, Upgrading and Available Reports

- ERA User Guide

Next Prevention conference call is Monday August 14th, 2023, at 10am

Suggestions for topics and trainings are always welcome!
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