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As the AIDS epidemic and the community response to it becomes more complex and multifaceted, it is essential that the service providers' community be professionally assisted in its attempt to focus attention on emerging needs and the resources to meet those needs. The establishment of the Consortium and its staffing by a professional Coordinator provides in the Western New York community the opportunity to creatively marshal our resources in a humane, empowering and cooperative way.

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ABOUT THE CONSORTIUM

The AIDS Service Providers Consortium is a partnership of service providers in the Western New York region who are involved in direct client care and education to persons and families affected by AIDS and HIV disease. The Consortium includes over 65 representatives from state, local, government and private organizations.

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Consortium is to actively develop and promote a community based and coordinated response to the human needs of HIV infection and AIDS in Western New York. The Consortium serves as a forum for the exchange of information between concerned agencies and individuals for the study of emerging needs and the resources needed to meet them and for the mutual support of those who provide AIDS-related services in our community.

HOW THE CONSORTIUM WORKS

The Consortium achieves its goals through the work of various subcommittees. The subcommittees are addressing issues the following specific areas of concern:

- Continuum of Care
- Corrections Concerns
- Education
- Gay Issues
- Legislative
- Minority Concerns
- Substance Abuse
- Women, Children & Families
- Coordinated Case Management

The recommendations and information developed by the committee are submitted periodically to the Consortium Steering Committee for review. The Steering Committee is the elected leadership of the Consortium and works with the Coordinator to direct and implement the work of the membership.

The full membership of the Consortium meets quarterly to achieve the established goals, especially communication and mutual support.

STAFFING

The Consortium is staffed by a coordinator, whose responsibilities include identification of all groups in this region providing services (medical, social, educational, etc.) that are HIV/AIDS related for inclusion in the Consortium. This work includes an ongoing update of an AIDS Service Providers Directory, coordination of Consortium meetings and the facilitation of committees to establish priorities and recommendations.

MEMBERSHIP

AIDS Community Services of Western New York
AIDS Family Services
AIDS Training Center
American Red Cross
Benedict House
Buddies
CAO Headstart
Caremark
CASA
CEPHAS
Children's Hospital
Collins Correctional Facility
Columbus Hospital
Division of Substance Abuse Services - City of Buffalo
Division of Substance Abuse Services - Regional Office
Episcopal Church Home
Erie County Medical Center - AIDS Services
Erie County Medical Center - Substance Abuse Services
Erie County Department of Mental Health
Erie County Department of Probation
Erie County Department of Social Services
Gay & Lesbian Youth of Buffalo
Geneva B. Scruggs Community Health Care Center
Greater Buffalo Council on Alcoholism & Substance Abuse
Hemophilia Center of Western New York
Hispanics United of Buffalo
Holy Cross Mental Health Services
Hospice Buffalo
Interfaith AIDS Network
Jewish Family Services
Junior League of Buffalo
Lakeshore Community Mental Health Center
Life Transitions Center
Meals On Wheels
M.C. Comptons
Native American Community Center
New York State Department of Corrections
New York State Division Of Parole
Niagara Frontier AIDS Alliance
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