RWMPC Membership Meeting:
Refocusing on HIV Care & Treatment Priorities
during the Enduring COVID-19 Pandemic

October 1, 2021
1:15 pm to 2:30 pm
Thank You!

For providing dedicated staffing for RWMPC, including federal advocacy training and support, since 2008
RWMPC Advocacy Elevates Provider Voices & Expertise

• Policy makers view HIV medical providers as effective advocates – expert, connected, and politically neutral

• RWMPC showcases provider expertise by:
  • Conducting Congressional & Administration meetings
  • Providing testimony & expert input
  • Hosting meetings between policy makers & providers

• Advocate with RWMPC - Amplify your medical provider voice
2020-2021 RWMPC Policy Priorities

• Increase funding for the Ryan White Program, including through COVID-19 relief & recovery bills

• Increased funding for the Ending the HIV Epidemic (EHE) initiative

• Educate Congress & the Administration on patient & medical provider needs, as well as program and grant improvements

• Support efforts to advance ID/HIV Workforce issues
2020-2021 RWMPC Policy Achievements

- **Secured FY22 House-proposed increases** for the Ryan White Program & EHE initiative – *want to increase EHE flexibility*
- **Protected FY21 funding** for the Ryan White Program
- **Led advocacy for & secured increased flexibility** for Ryan White Program COVID-19 relief, FY20, & FY21 grants
- **Secured new FY21 funding** for the EHE initiative
- **Educated the Administration & Congress** on needs & concerns of clinicians & PWH during the COVID-19 pandemic
- **Submitted recs for updating the National HIV/AIDS Strategy** with HIVMA
- **Advocating for $150 million in reconciliation package funding** for the Ryan White Program
FY22 Appropriations Update

- **House passed** its FY22 Labor, Health & Human Services, Education, & Related Agencies (LHHS) bill that includes HIV programs funding

- **No Senate action** on this bill has occurred yet

- **Proposed House FY22 funding increases** include:
  - **$146 million increase** for the Ryan White Program – *incl. funding increases for all parts (except ADAP) for the first time in years!*
  - **$342 million total** for the EHE initiative at HRSA, including:
    - **$190 million** for Ryan White Program EHE - **$85 million increase**
    - **$152 million** for Bureau of Primary Health Care (PrEP & HIV prevention)

- **Passage of Continuing Resolution (CR) now, probable** passage of final FY22 funding bill in December
As the ID Community Convenes for IDWeek to Collaborate and Learn from Each Other

Take Action to Support the Next Generation of ID Health Care Professionals

Urge your Senators and Representatives to support the **Bolstering Infectious Outbreaks Professionals Workforce Act of 2021** — a new loan repayment program for physicians, pharmacists, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, laboratory professionals, infection preventionists and dentists engaged in biopreparedness or ID care.
Interview with Harold Phillips, Director, White House Office of National AIDS Policy
conducted by RWMPC Co-Chairs, Kate McManus, MD & Chris Bositis, MD
RWMPC Open Forum:
Member Questions & Concerns
facilitated by RWMPC Convener,
Jenny Collier, JD
• Thank you for your time & advocacy!

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