



About us

The Minnesota Council for HIV/AIDS Care and Prevention (MCHACP) is a collaborative effort between the Minnesota Department of Human Services, the Minnesota Department of Health, and Hennepin County Public Health. The council is comprised of people with a stake in HIV prevention and care, including people from HIV-affected communities. It is the responsibility of MCHACP to:

- Develop Minnesota's Integrated HIV Prevention and Care Plan
- Make decisions and recommendations about HIV treatment and care services
- Prioritize populations for HIV prevention services

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Each year, about 300 Minnesotans are diagnosed with HIV or AIDS.

Last year, nearly 10,000 Minnesotans were living with HIV or AIDS.

You can help.

 **Minnesota Council for HIV/AIDS
Care and Prevention**



Membership options

Minnesota Council for HIV/AIDS Care and Prevention Membership

Council members commit to a two-year term during which they attend monthly council meetings and participate in at least one committee that meets monthly or every other month. Being a member of the council requires a commitment of 8 – 10 hours a month.

Community Membership

Community members participate on a committee of their choosing. Once they have satisfied the committee's eligibility requirements, they are eligible to vote on issues brought before the committee.

Membership benefits

Help people affected by and at risk for HIV

- Improve services and access to care
- Represent an underserved community or population
- Create service standards of care

Get personal and professional benefits

- Increase your awareness of HIV/AIDS prevention, treatment, and services
- Establish contacts and networks
- Receive numerous training opportunities

Be a voice in program planning and implementation

- Help determine the needs of populations living with, at risk for, or affected by HIV/AIDS
- Learn about and collaborate on HIV/AIDS funding decisions

The council's membership includes people in prevention, corrections, education, social services, mental health, faith, health care, tribal health, and local public health. At least one-third of council members are living with HIV/AIDS and receive HIV/AIDS services.

Committee descriptions

Community Voices Committee

- Provides a representative voice for people living with, at risk, or affected by HIV/AIDS

Disparities Elimination Committee

- Develops strategies to reduce disparities within underserved and disproportionately impacted populations

Needs Assessment and Evaluation Committee

- Uses research methods to identify service needs; this allows the council to make data-driven decisions

Planning and Allocations Committee

- Identifies service areas, designs the prioritization process, and makes funding recommendations to the council

Membership and Training Committee

- Develops membership guidelines and council operating procedures
- Identifies, recruits, nominates, and trains new members