

Regional Advisory Committees (RAC)

The Regional Advisory Committees (RAC), in partnership with the Maryland AIDS Administration, will review and share information and make recommendations for HIV/AIDS care and prevention priorities in Maryland. Input from the community is vital to the work the AIDS Administration supports statewide.

Previously, this planning process was done by two separate groups: the prevention focused Regional Work Groups and the health services focused Consortia. Merging these groups reflects the linkages between HIV prevention and care, maximizes resources, eliminates duplication of effort, and allows for broader dialogue about HIV prevention and care issues.

The Regional Advisory Committees will be located in each of the five Maryland regions (Central, Eastern, Southern, Suburban, Western).

The feedback received during the RAC meetings will assist the AIDS Administration in developing, implementing programs and procedures that are effective, efficient, culturally sensitive and relevant to the community. In addition, the RAC will provide an opportunity for community members interested in HIV/AIDS to network.

The following Regional Advisory Committee meetings are scheduled for April 2007:

Eastern	April 10, 2007	9:30 am – 12:30pm	Chesapeake College
Southern	April 17, 2007	6:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Life Styles Community Ctr.
Central	April 23, 2007	1:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Clarence DuBurns Arena
Western	April 24, 2007	9:00 am – 12:00pm	TBD
Suburban	April 27, 2007	10:00am – 1:00 pm	Princes Georges' Health Department

Please contact the AIDS Administration at 410-767-5227 for more information.