Iris House’s 12th Annual Women as the Face of AIDS Summit

MAY 8, 2017
Health Fair May 13, 2017

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Dear Friends,

I'm writing to you today with exciting program information about our Twelfth Annual Women as the Face of AIDS Summit, and to ask for your support as a member of our community.

Our Summit is a well anticipated and highly regarded program on women and HIV in the nation. In the last few years, we have attracted speakers from Minnesota, Nebraska, California, Georgia, and Philadelphia joined others from New York, New Jersey and Washington DC. With increased early support from several of our funders, we are even more hopeful about this year’s event, which we have themed “Resilient, Fierce and Wise.”

The 2017 Summit’s theme is “Resilient, Fierce and Wise,” and we are very excited about this year’s theme and the opportunities it will present as we look forward toward new challenges in healthcare, how we can amplify our individual voices through strategic collaborations, and our we are working on our efforts to End the Epidemic by 2020 in New York State.

As a community, we recognize that we are stronger together: when we communicate with each other, when we support each other, when we understand that individually none of us can ever be 100%, but collectively, we can be 1000%. This year’s summit will focus on how we can use our combined power: as women and as men, as activists and advocates, as front line social workers, as medical professionals and academics to refocus our energies and end this epidemic. The next four to eight years may present challenges that we haven’t seen since the 1980’s, and together, we can ensure that we’re pushing forward, advocating for ourselves.

The schedule of the day is tentatively as follows:

- 8:30 Welcoming Remarks
- 8:45 Morning Plenary Sessions
  - Update on Women, Girls and HIV
  - Special Topic with Leaders in the Fight (TBD)
- 10:45 Breakout Sessions I (6 – 7 sessions )
- 12:00 Breakout Sessions II
- 1:00 Luncheon Celebration and Honors
- 2:45 Breakout Sessions III
- 4:00 Networking Sessions / Exhibit Hall

This year, our Summit luncheon will honor two women who’ve made significant impacts on the HIV Community: We look forward to highlighting them as we lead up to the event in May.

We would like to invite you to join us as a community sponsor as our event continues its growth into a regional event and attracts attendees and presenters from up and down the eastern seaboard. See below for a full breakout of the levels of community sponsorships.

The Iris House Women as the Face of AIDS Summit is the only public education forum in New York City that focuses on Women and HIV/AIDS.
With recent studies in New York State highlighting how neither women nor people of color are hitting national averages of HIV viral suppression, it has never been more important or urgent to address the incredible health disparities facing the women in our communities. This is one way we can help. We are proud of our track record. Comments from past participants testify to the success of the conference in disseminating critical information about prevention and living with HIV/AIDS.

This event, occurring May 8 and 13*, targets two very different audiences and works to educate providers, case managers and professional staff with new ideas, theories and best practices, while simultaneously providing opportunities for people living with HIV/AIDS and members of the broader community to understand their own health issues, learn more about healthy living and working to keep themselves and their loved ones safe.

Participants in the educational sessions on Monday, May 8 will go away with new understandings of the challenges facing people living with HIV/AIDS, ways for women to advocate for themselves and their community, practical programs that bring about increased rates of viral suppression, ideas on how to address challenges like intimate partner violence, stigma and more.

On Saturday, May 13*, we are presenting our fifth annual Community Health Fair on the plaza at the Adam Clayton Powell State Office Building, on the corner of 125th Street and 7th Avenue in Central Harlem. DJs, dance troupes and performers will entertain members of the community as they explore presentations by local community organizations, participate in screenings and testing for HIV, Hepatitis C, obesity, diabetes, breast cancer and other health care issues critical to our community. Last year, over 500 people attended and received information or services from more than three dozen community organizations: we hope you will join us this year!

The success of the Summit depends on partnership with corporate leaders and foundations. Only with underwriting can we attract the largest numbers of interested persons among providers, clients and community leaders. At the same time, corporate partners– with logos on our website, signage at the event, a listing in the Summit journal and a table at the public health fair – can reach a broad audience of our clients, healthcare providers, and this year, the community at large. We deeply appreciate all of the support we have received in the past, and hope that you will join us this year.

For additional information, please contact Michael Barret Jones, Iris House Director of Development, Social Marketing and Advocacy at 646-548-0100 x222 or by email at mjones@irishouse.org.

Iris House looks forward to partnering with you on this important event!

Warmest regards,

Igrid Floyd
Executive Director

*Date pending request approval by the New York State Office Building.
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Saturday’s in the Plaza at the NY State Office Building at 125th Street and 7th Avenue

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