

#### Friends!

Public Health Institute of Metropolitan Chicago (PHIMC) is proud to host our annual *Illinois Reentry Conference: Where Collaboration, Education, and Innovation Leads to Equity in Health Justice* on **March 13, 2025** from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m., and a Pre-Conference Networking Mixer on March 12, 2025.

The Illinois Reentry Conference brings together people who are justice-impacted, their families, advocates, public health professionals, healthcare providers, social service professionals, and members of the community for a day of honest dialogue to transform how we advocate for and work with people who are justice-impacted. Held in a hybrid format, this conference includes presentations, workshops, artistic expression, supportive space for networking, and a presentation of our Community Reentry Champion Award for people and organizations going above and beyond.

For more than twenty years, PHIMC has led the Community Reentry Project (CRP), a multi-stakeholder project that coordinates efforts to ensure that people living with and at the highest risk for HIV transition smoothly from incarceration to communities. CRP facilitates a comprehensive system of HIV prevention, care, and support services throughout Illinois, and provides technical assistance and capacity-building support to agencies serving the corrections and reentry populations. Please find enclosed more details about CRP, and our other initiatives for health justice.

We invite you to sponsor the 2025 Illinois Reentry Conference: Where Collaboration, Education, and Innovation Leads to Equity in Health Justice. We offer sponsorship opportunities at the \$1,000, \$2,500, and \$5,000 levels, as well as in-kind donations. We are also offering two exclusive sponsorships at the \$10,000 level - act fast! We expect to engage 200 to 250 people through our in-person and virtual conference environments. Each sponsor will be recognized in event marketing materials distributed to more than 5,000 people before, during, and after the event.

We ask that sponsorship agreement forms be submitted to <a href="mailto:reentry@phimc.org">reentry@phimc.org</a>, no later than March 4, 2025.

PHIMC is committed to deconstructing racist systems, preventing trauma, ending the HIV epidemic in Illinois, and ensuring our team is collectively moving the needle to achieve health equity and find our way to justice. We hope that you will consider joining us. If you have any additional questions or need to contact us, please email reentry@phimc.org.

Sincerely,

Karen A. Reitan President & CEO

**PHIMC** 

Dr. Dan'iel Kendricks Chief Program Officer

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#### Illinois Reentry Conference Sponsorship Agreement Form

COMPANY NAME:
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I/we agree to sponsor the 2025 Illinois Reentry Conference at the following level:
☐ LEADER - \$10,000 - ONLY 2 AVAILABLE!
Company logo on conference website
Company logo and personal message on a dedicated social media post
Company logo and personal message on a dedicated slide at conference
Press release mention going out to at least 50 Illinois journalists
Acknowledgment in email communications about the conference to 5K subscribers
Opportunity to provide company branded swag to 200+ in-person attendees
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One-minute live announcement during conference, including personal message
☐ ADVOCATE - \$5,000
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Company logo acknowledgment on a shared social media post
Company logo on shared "advocate level" digital slide at conference
Press release mention going out to at least 50 Illinois journalists
Acknowledgment in email communications about the conference to 5K subscribers
Opportunity to provide company branded swag to 200+ in-person attendees
One live mention at the conference
□ ALLY - \$2,500
Company logo on conference website
Company logo acknowledgement on a shared social media post
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Press release mention going out to at least 50 Illinois journalists

Acknowledgment in email communications about the conference to 5K subscribers

☐ PROMOTER - \$1,000
Company name on conference website
Company name acknowledgment on a shared social media post
Company logo on shared "promoter level" digital slide at the Conference
Press release mention going out to at least 50 Illinois journalists
□ SUPPORTER - OTHER AMOUNT: \$
Company name on conference website
Company logo on shared digital slide at the conference
☐ COLLABORATOR - IN-KIND DONATIONS -
e.g., providing a discount for goods/services or promoting the conference through our networks
Company name on conference website
Company logo on a shared digital slide at the conference

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by March 4, 2025.

YOUR GENEROSITY IS GREATLY APPRECIATED!



James Lones, Brittany Spralls, and Dr. Dan'iel Kendricks pictured at National Night Out

Community Reentry Project (CRP) is a multi- stakeholder project that facilitates a system of holistic health services that connects people who are justice -impacted living with and at highest risk of HIV to an array of services, including medical care, mental health, and overall wellness.

CRP partners include non-profit and community-based organizations, cross-sector government agencies, and other institutions that work with PHIMC to address policies, bridge gaps, and leverage resources for individuals who are justice-impacted.

PHIMC serves as the convener and grants manager for CRP partner agencies to provide strategic planning, fiscal management, and program management and monitoring.

# Impact of Community Reentry Project

- Improved health outcomes for people living with and at highest risk for HIV who are re-entering Illinois communities.
- Increased HIV testing in county jails throughout Illinois and the Illinois Department of Corrections (IDOC) system.
- Reduced HIV transmission in Illinois communities through education, testing, and suppressed viral loads.

Want to learn more about health justice and community navigation resources and supports for justice-impacted people in the state of Illinois? Please contact Brittany Spralls at: <a href="mailto:reentry@phimc.org">reentry@phimc.org</a>



### Public Health Institute of Metropolitan Chicago

**Public Health Institute of Metropolitan Chicago** (PHIMC) advances health justice and strengthens public health through innovation and partnerships that align people, strategies, and resources. PHIMC envisions systems that impact how we live, work, and play as compassionate, affirming, and racially equitable, supporting health and well-being for all people.

PHIMC tackles critical health challenges in partnership with public health departments, schools, and other government entities, community-based organizations and advocacy groups, academic and grantmaking institutions, and healthcare providers and associations.

#### **Current Initiatives**

**The Alliance** promotes safety, support, and healthy development for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, and questioning (LGBTQ+) youth in Illinois schools and communities through advocacy, education, youth organizing, and professional development.



**Community Reentry Project** is a multi-stakeholder initiative which coordinates a comprehensive system of prevention, care, and support services to ensure that people living with and at the highest risk for HIV transition smoothly from incarceration to communities.

"After seeing all these presenters, I feel inspired and hopeful, which is difficult to find when working in corrections. Thank you!!!"

~Illinois Reentry Conference Participant

Fiscal Management Services - PHIMC creates organizational capacity by providing administrative and fiscal services to non-profits and large public and private bureaucracies. This function eliminates operational barriers that too often prevent effective program management and innovation. PHIMC provides fiscal sponsorship and back office services for many agencies including Chicago Black Gay Men's Caucus, Chicago Torture Justice Center, Pride South Side, and Therapy Access Project.

National Health Corps Chicago, part of the National Health Corps AmeriCorps program, fosters healthy communities by connecting those who need it most with health and wellness education, benefits, and services, while developing tomorrow's compassionate health leaders.



Protecting our Patients (POP) Affirming Care mobilizes care teams to address biases and stigmas that harm health experiences and outcomes of people seeking care, especially those who are systematically marginalized.

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Regional Implementation Group for Region 8 allocates federal and state HIV prevention funds to 15 partner agencies in suburban Cook County for high impact, targeted prevention initiatives. PHIMC serves as the lead agency, ensuring successful implementation of high quality and effective programs.

**Routine HIV Screening** integrates routine HIV screening into current care practices and trains providers how to use reflective practice to eliminate HIV stigma, homophobia, and transphobia from the care provided to patients.

School Health Access Collaborative, co-managed by PHIMC and Healthy Schools Campaign, transforms the school health system to provide comprehensive, coordinated, quality, and sustainable care for Chicago students.



Substance Use Services - PHIMC works across the substance use services continuity of care — screening, prevention, treatment, and recovery — using a harm reduction framework. As a partner in the Opioid-Impacted Family Support Program, PHIMC seeks to bring care and relief to neighborhoods that are most affected by opioid use disorder in Chicago, and through Regional Substance Use Prevention Integration Centers, PHIMC works to increase the capacity of institutions, organizations, and providers to address substance use and misuse among adolescents in Chicago.



# Transgender and Gender Diverse Wellness and Equity Program

PHIMC serves as lead grantee in this statewide initiative to help increase the capacity of providers to provide culturally and medically competent gender affirming care to transgender, gender diverse, and LGBTQ+ people throughout the state of Illinois.

"The ability to access things like hormones, things like surgeries, things like affirmative counseling or affirmative psychiatry is difficult, it's enormously difficult, and having programs like this, which lower that barrier to entry for trans folks, is immensely helpful".

~Central Illinois Friends Public Relations Manager

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