



Tuesday, January 17, 2012

How Can I Help?

Online Giving - You can help support HIV Edmonton programming by making an **online** donation through our website. [Click Here.](#) Online donations can be a one-time donation or set-up as a monthly withdrawal - all you need is a credit card. Donations of \$20 or greater receive a tax receipt.

HIV and Syphilis Rapid Testing Trials

For more information of Rapid/Point-of-Care (RPOC) Testing, please contact the STI Clinic 780-342-2300 or HIV Edmonton 780-488-5742.

Rapid HIV and Syphilis Testing, also known as "Rapid/Point-of-Care (RPOC) Testing," have been occurring in Edmonton for almost one year now.

This research study is being conducted by Dr. Ameeta Singh and an outreach team of the STI Clinic. Places where testing is being offered are: the Edmonton Remand Centre, SteamWorks (a local bathhouse), and several inner city community agencies. Testing is only being offered with the STI Clinic's Outreach program and not at the STI Clinic.

Rapid Testing allows testing for the presence of HIV and Syphilis to be performed in settings where the results are available rapidly enough to provide preliminary results within 20 minutes of performing the test. Rapid/Point-of-Care Testing is a medical test and as such, personal questions about the individual and any possible risk factors will be asked at the time of testing. People taking the test will be provided with an information sheet explaining the testing procedures and will be asked to give consent, in writing, to the testing. All information is confidential. The entire process will take about 30-45 minutes. This time frame will allow for a medical history discussion, explanation of the tests being done, what test results reveal, and an opportunity to ask any questions to the health care professional doing the testing. Because this is a research study a conventional blood test is performed along with the Rapid Test and serves as a confirmation of the Rapid Test result.

HIV Edmonton encourages all sexually active persons to include regular STI and HIV testing as a component of their regular health care routine.

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MSM Positive Support Group

The MSM (men that have sex with men) HIV Positive Support Group runs every Tuesday from 7pm to 9 pm. We ask those interested in attending for their first time to call ahead and speak to the group facilitator to get some basic information and to have any questions answered.

Please call: 780-488-5742 or Email: health@hivedmonton.com



HIV Edmonton Needs Your Support



Looking for a way to support HIV/AIDS work right here in your community?

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<http://www.canadahelps.org/CharityPrCharityID=s40493>

HIV Edmonton Employment Opportunity - Support and Education Worker Aboriginal Community



HIV Edmonton Position Posting:
Support and Education Worker -
Aboriginal Community
Closing Date: Sunday February 5,
2012

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Edmonton Support and Education
Worker Aboriginal Community
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HIV Edmonton Client Community Kitchen

HIV Edmonton offers a free cooking class to their clients every first and second Thursday. The next cooking class is Thursday January 26, 2011 from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. Meals are planned by HIV Edmonton's volunteer nutritionist Jeanne Kalisa. The Community Kitchen teaches nutritional meal planning and cooking techniques with a low income theme.



HIV Edmonton Employment Opportunity – Support and Outreach Worker

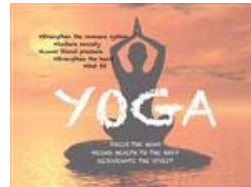


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Yoga

HIV Edmonton volunteer, Chris McBain, will be offering free beginners yoga classes. This will be offered to clients, family and friends of HIV Edmonton alternating Monday nights at 7:30pm. Next classes are January 30, 2012 and February 13, 2012. Please contact@hivedmonton.com or call 780 488 5742 for more information.



>> <http://www.thetravelinyogi.com/>

Farewell Keith

Keith Callihoo (Kanien'keha); a member of the Michel First Nation (Treaty 6), was born in Northern Alberta. Keith, who is a traditional storyteller, travels across Canada participating in gatherings concerning the health & wellness of First Nation, Métis and Inuit people. Keith has also been involved in creating gang exiting strategies and building relations between youth and elders. At HIV Edmonton, Keith has been essential in establishing an Art program for clients and helping many people heal and work towards healthy lifestyles. Keith has been a valuable member of HIV Edmonton and the Staff and Clients will greatly miss him and we all wish him well in all his future endeavours.



CIHR Canadian HIV Trials Network



The Community Advisory Committee (CAC) is currently seeking nominations from community members to fill three positions and one apprentice position on this nine-person committee. CAC strives to be representative of Canada's geographic regions as well as of Canadian populations most affected by HIV. In order to maintain this balance, CAC is seeking nominations that reflect the diversity of affected population groups from all parts of Canada.

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