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We love the cool graphics too!

To help a persistent cough go to aisle 8.



To get a persistent cough go to aisle 14.



**CIGARETTES & PHARMACIES DON'T MIX.**

Stop here. Stop pharmacist from selling tobacco.



· **iQuit**, the internet based LGBT cessation program, is up and running – great job to **Gary Humfleet** from **UCSF** for bringing it back. This program is a great tool for the many LGBT people who aren't within spitting distance of a tailored cessation group, so spread the word about it! Gary is looking for places to put his promotional materials advertising IQUIT, so tell him you need some in your town too! Contact him at [ghumfleet@lppi.ucsf.edu](mailto:ghumfleet@lppi.ucsf.edu).

· On March 21-24, we were able to send 2 scholarship winners, **Earl Fowlkes** from Washington D.C. and **Bob Gordon** from San Francisco, CA, to the **Gay Men's Health Leadership Academy**. This academy is designed to give participants access to cutting-edge thinking about the gay men's health movement in the US and abroad, and to connect community leaders to an international network of gay men's health organizers and activists. Because our community is slow to think of tobacco as a pressing community issue, nobody showed up for the workshop led by Bob. On the bright side, he felt like he still made a difference individually by connecting with people one by one and bringing tobacco to the forefront of their minds. Find more of Bob's thoughts [here](#).

· We sent one scholarship winner, **Tim Grollmes** from Omaha, Nebraska, to **Promising Practices from the Field: Tobacco Control Strategies for Priority Populations**. This conference was offered by the Health Education Council, as part of its National Network on Tobacco Prevention and Poverty and National African American Tobacco Education Network programs. It took place April 23- 24 in Detroit, Michigan. There were opportunities to learn promising practices, to hear about statewide successes in reaching low SES and African American populations, highlight successful efforts to develop and implement tobacco policy changes within organizations that primarily serve priority populations, and to network and exchange information with other tobacco control professionals. Click [here](#) to see what he had to say about the conference.

### News From the Network

· For the first time, the National LGBT TCN is working with local partners to have a strong presence at several **Pride** events across the country, including **St. Louis, Missouri; Cleveland, Ohio; and Boston, Massachusetts**. Our goal will be to increase awareness within the LGBT community about the effects of tobacco and the tobacco industry as a beginning step to getting community involvement in tobacco control and prevention. Local partners will be distributing fun educational materials and we are also debuting our new LGBT educational ad in several pride guides. This ad is available for anyone to use, so contact us if you would like to run it locally too.

· Our Program Manager, **Marta Perrupato**, attended the **Black and Brown Summit** in Philadelphia on April 24-25. It was an amazing opportunity for a group of leaders from the LGBT African American and Latino communities to engage in facilitated discussions around their future roles in the LGBT movement. Workshops included exploring the history of black and brown LGBT history through storytelling sessions by our elders, exploring the stereotypes and obstacles that keep LGBT black and brown communities from working in coalition, and discussing the issues that we face as a community (including health issues and access to health care, capacity building within LGBT people of color organizations, and equality of representation of black/brown people in LGBT institutions). At the end of the day, attendees rallied together to discuss how to best come together as a **National Black and Brown Coalition**. It was a hugely successful event that holds much promise.

· It is with a heavy heart that we announce that the same **Marta**, who has been such an asset to NatNet for almost two years now, has announced she will be leaving us in early June. Marta's calm stewardship, endlessly optimistic outlook, and crazy hard work will be missed by all of us; she has truly been a key element in this Network getting to where it is today. Feel free to wish her good luck here: [mperrupato@fenwayhealth.org](mailto:mperrupato@fenwayhealth.org) and catch our fully unauthorized Marta farewell slideshow [here](#)! We'll miss you!

**Marta's note:** I am thankful to have had the opportunity to work with many of you - amazing, dedicated individuals over the last two years. Thanks so much for making this job that much more interesting and fun! I look forward to running into you again as I continue my work as an LGBT health advocate. Be well, and keep up the good fight!

We'll have a great month!

Sincerely,

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