

79. Approve travel to Washington, D.C., for HIV Commissioner Gordon Bowman to attend the 2024 National Ryan White Conference on HIV Care and Treatment. (ID# 24-4951)



Bureau

Dear Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Parts A Recipient:

The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) HIV/AIDS Bureau (HAB) is hosting the 2024 National Ryan White Conference on HIV Care and Treatment (2024 NRWC) from **August 20-23, 2024**, at the Marriott Marquis, 901 Massachusetts, NW, Washington, DC 20001. We are excited to host the 2024 NRWC utilizing a hybrid model, which will focus on sharing leading public health approaches for HIV care and treatment. The conference theme is: **Innovating to End the HIV Epidemic: Empowering Communities, Expanding Partnerships, Implementing Interventions.**

The 2024 NRWC will feature six session tracks: Population-Based approaches for Improving Access, Engagement/Reengagement, and Health Outcomes; Data Utilization; Innovative System-level Models for HIV Service Delivery; Clinical Quality Management (CQM); Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP) Planning and Resource Allocation; Community Engagement and Collaborative Partnerships; and RWHAP Fiscal and Grants Management Boot Camp. In addition, each HRSA HAB Division and Office will convene a required RWHAP Part-specific Business Day recipient session on August 20, 2024, beginning in the morning and ending prior to the Opening Plenary. Please continue to visit <https://ryanwhiteconference.hrsa.gov> for more information about the conference as it becomes available.

The registration maximum for in person participation for RWHAP Part A recipients are as follows:

RWHAP Part	Maximum Number of In-Person Attendees
Part A (H89)	8

Similar to prior years when the NRWC was hosted in person, HRSA HAB requires recipient staff funded by RWHAP to attend using conference travel and attendance funds allocated in program budgets. When considering which staff from your recipient program should attend the 2024 NRWC in person, HRSA HAB strongly encourages recipient team members serving in the role of Project Director/Coordinator, fiscal staff, clinical staff, and/or data staff to attend as applicable for the recipient's program. HRSA HAB encourages RWHAP recipients to consider including a community member and/or additional subrecipients within those caps. Please note, there is an allotment of registrations available for national stakeholders, subrecipients, community members, and people with HIV, which will be allowable outside of the caps listed above. However, those registrations will be limited. Registrations will be reviewed and approved on a first-come/first-served basis. Virtual conference attendance will be available to members of recipient teams above the caps listed.

If additional space becomes available, HRSA HAB will notify recipients of any revised registration maximum caps. If you have any questions regarding participation and budget requirements, please contact your project officer.

Sincerely,

County of Santa Clara
Office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors



24-4951

DATE: April 16, 2024

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Curtis Boone, Acting Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

SUBJECT: Travel Authorization for HIV Commissioner

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approve travel to Washington, D.C., for HIV Commissioner Gordon Bowman to attend the 2024 National Ryan White Conference on HIV Care and Treatment.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

Approval of this authorization will allocate funds for travel, estimated at \$1,850, from the HIV Commission annual budget, which will later be reimbursed by Ryan White Program grant funds. The funds are included in the approved Fiscal Year 2024 Public Health Department budget. There is no impact on the General Fund as a result of this action.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION AND BACKGROUND

At its March 12, 2024 Regular Meeting, the HIV Commission approved authorizing Commissioner Gordon Bowman to attend the conference, including estimated travel expenses.

The Office of the Clerk of the Board received approval from the Chairperson of the Health and Hospital Committee to forward this item directly to the Board of Supervisors.

The Ryan White Conference on HIV Care and Treatment is held biennially. Sponsorship of conference registration for a County of Santa Clara HIV Commissioner is provided by the Ryan White Program. The next conference is scheduled for August 20-23, 2024 at the Marriott Marquis in Washington, D.C.

The conference will deliver program and policy updates, share innovative models of care, and provide training and technical assistance to Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program recipients. It will also provide opportunities for attendees to participate in a forum to discuss strategies to reduce new HIV infections and HIV-related health disparities.

Approval of the recommended action will allow Commissioner Bowman to attend the conference, which would not be possible without the use of County funds pending reimbursement.

Approved: 04/16/2024

CHILD IMPACT

The recommended action will have no/neutral impact on children and youth.

SENIOR IMPACT

The recommended action will have no/neutral impact on seniors.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

The recommended action will have no/neutral sustainability implications.

CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION

The HIV Commission will not send a representative to the conference.

STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL

The Office of the Clerk of the Board will notify the HIV Commission and the supporting Public Health Department staff.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 2024 NRWC Conference Letter RWHAP Part A