

MTN Community Working Group Overview

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MTN Community Working Group

What is the MTN CWG?

- The Community Working Group (CWG) is comprised of clinical research site (CRS) representatives and community specialists that advises and advocates for community participation at all levels of the research process and ensures community participation is adequately addressed at CRSs and in the management of the MTN.

MTN CWG Goal

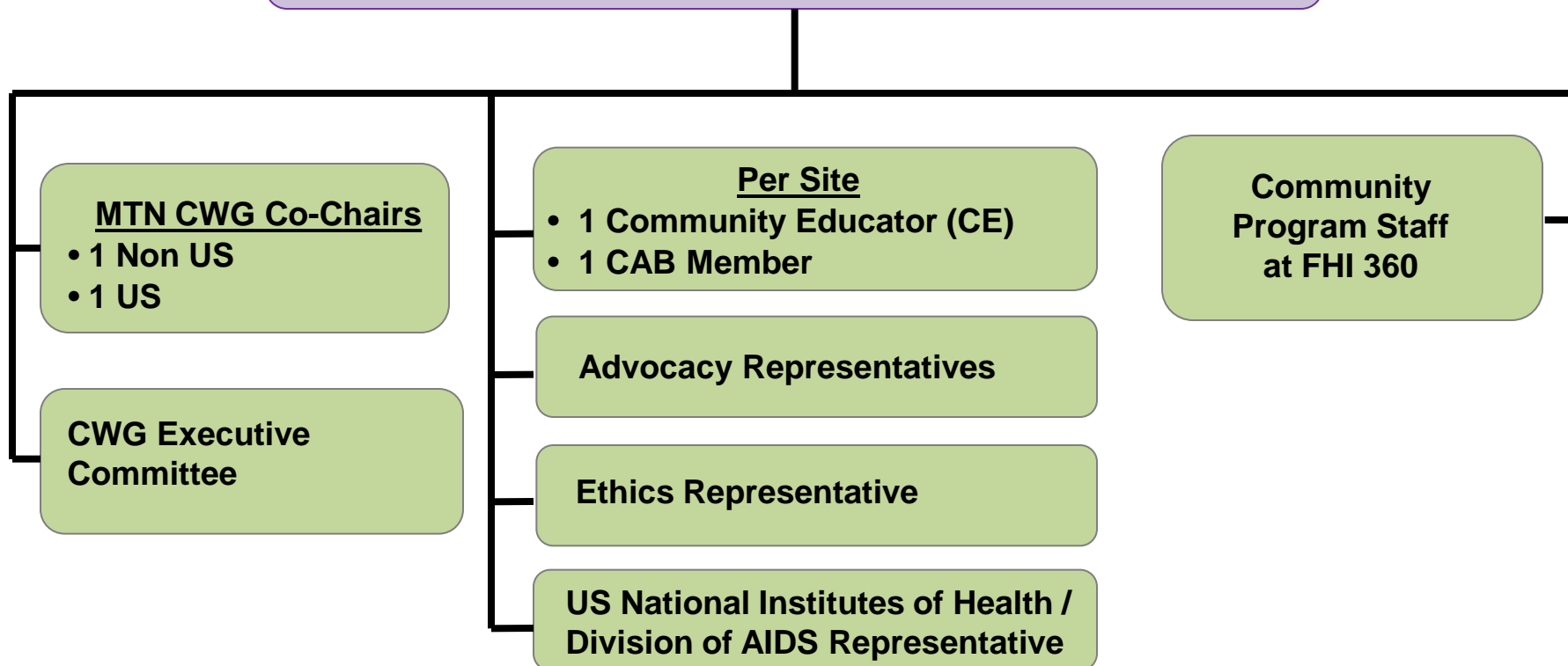
- To ensure the conduct of successful microbicide studies by MTN through community-researcher partnership models that facilitates community preparedness and engagement activities

MTN CWG Objectives

- To ensure community input into the science and research processes at all levels of the MTN.
- To build capacity for local communities to provide input into research at a site level of the MTN.
- Develop mechanisms for sharing experiences, lessons learned, and best practices for community involvement in MTN research.

MTN Community Working Group Structure

MTN Community Working Group (CWG)



Mission Statement: To conduct community preparedness and engagement activities to ensure the successful conduct of microbicide studies

ASPIRE CWG

ASPIRE CWG Aim

- The aim of the ASPIRE CWG is to enhance study specific community strategies and/or identify possible challenges.

ASPIRE CWG Goals

- Development of the Community Involvement Work Plan
- Development of study specific educational toolkits and communication plans
- Inform community of protocol updates and site-specific activities
- Conduct community preparedness and involvement activities

MTN ASPIRE CWG Structure

MTN ASPIRE CWG

ASPIRE CWG Co-Chairs

- Phaleda Kumwenda
- Oupa Mafumane
- Mduduzi Ngubane
- Bukelwa Sontshatsha

Per Site

- 1 Community Educator (CE)
- 1 CAB Member

Advocacy Representative

- Manju Chatani-Gada (AVAC)

Ethics Representative

- Tiffanee Wright

DAIDS Representative

- Lydia Soto-Torres

Community Program

Staff at FHI 360

- Rhonda R. White
- Cheryl D. Cokley

Mission Statement: To conduct community preparedness and engagement activities to ensure the successful conduct of the ASPIRE study

ASPIRE CWG Operations

- The ASPIRE CWG functions to facilitate, direct, and advocate for inclusion of the research communities as partners in the study. This is done through:
 - Participation in monthly conference calls
 - Attendance at face-to-face meetings of the CWG

ASPIRE CWG

Activities

Community Education Toolkit

- Community education flipchart
- Talking points notebook
- Good Participatory Practices booklet
- Demonstration tools

Community Education and Adherence

- ASPIRE CWG calls to focus on adherence messaging in the community
- Alignment of community and participant counseling messages

Family Planning Education

- Increased use of family planning section of the ASPIRE CE flipchart
- Family Planning Community Ambassadors

VOICE Results Dissemination

- The results from the VOICE study will be presented to the Full MTN CWG after its announcement at CROI in March 2013

Changes for 2013 and Beyond

Coming Changes

- Elimination of bi-weekly reporting form
- Site calls

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Questions?



Thank you!