

**Houston Area HIV Services Ryan White Planning Council  
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Dear:

HIV/AIDS has a significant impact on the local business community, as well as the community at large. With almost 24,000 people living with HIV (PLWH) in and around Harris County, local businesses continue to address the unique needs of PLWH as employees, customers, and consumers.

The RWPC is pleased to offer the Baytown Chamber of Commerce a panel of highly qualified local experts available in the next 12 months to speak on HIV-related topics pertinent to local businesses.

Though we are happy to recommend experts to address other HIV-related topics that may be relevant to your organization, our speakers specialize in the following topic areas:

- How Does HIV Impact the Business Community?
- The Affordable Care Act and HIV+ Employees
- Are People Still Getting HIV/AIDS?
- Personal Stories: Living and Working with HIV
- A Community Response to HIV and Homelessness

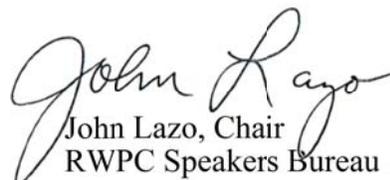
See the enclosed list of speakers for detailed information. To schedule a speaker for a committee meeting, business meeting, or other event, or more information about this project, please contact John Lazo, RWPC Committee Member at 832 892-6342 or by email at: [johnlazo999@yahoo.com](mailto:johnlazo999@yahoo.com).

It is our hope that strengthening the collaboration between the HIV community and local business leaders will not only lead to a community where new HIV infections are rare, but customers and employees living with HIV can receive the full benefit of access to our thriving local business environment.

Sincere regards,



Steven Vargas, Chair  
Ryan White Planning Council



John Lazo, Chair  
RWPC Speakers Bureau