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## Prevention Education Workers Training & Networking Session

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Roundtable discussion facilitated by:

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## **Notes from Roundtable Discussion Prevention Education Workers/Managers Training – March 1 & 2, 2011**

Issues of interest, what did you like about the training, etc:

- Liked workshops and liked the collaboration between the two groups
- There are differences between rural and urban and some of that was addressed and acknowledged
- Glen and Chuck's presentation, it was relevant, should we as a group be advocating for this model provincially?
- Current flavour – tech. knowledge framework, STOP HIV/AIDS is the driver
- Relational practice, client-centred practice
- Balance and counter balance – two sides, but relational practice is a critical component
- Networking – sharing, information exchange
- Fun
- Terry's catalogue, important and interesting
- What about a contact distribution list?
- ROR/PAN partnered – good, important, was scheduled well between the two groups
- Supporting each other is good
- STOP – Aboriginal voice is not being heard, not education focused, or very little education focused, this is important and needs to be kept alive
- Young people engaged in the work, this is important, health promotion, empowerment
- Social justice, marginalized people
- Community health – CBO's play a vital role in the continuum, this often gets forgotten, don't let it be forgotten
- Partnerships, they're important – each have strengths, sharing, competition for the piece of the pie can cloud things, but partnering and sharing is important
- Unification
- Influencing public policy, community can play a big role in this
- Youth voice, nice, thankful of appreciation, and it goes the other way too
- Public policy discussions - priorities, being proactive, and what actions can be taken
- Lack of funding to do this, all of this
- How can we support, maintain, people, youth, etc, not wanting to lose people and having to re-train, etc.
- Gay men, queer community, their involvement, important
- Sex, talking about sex, how do we do this, what's the best way to talk about sex
- Forum theatre, for a possible future topic
- Rainbow of Desire – Headlines Theatre
- More circles, like the one we're in right now
- Round tables, dialogue, issues, range of issues
- Poz people, their voices at the table, this is important, good to have them at an educators skills building
- Tools, a repository of tools or a toolbox, best practices (Terry Howards project, CATIE), could PAN do this?
- CATIE (Programming Connection), CAAN, toolboxes
- PHAC – call for proposals coming - heads up
- The Community Readiness Model presentation by OAAS in the ROR session, excellent

- Point of care testing, pilots happening in Vancouver at community groups, what does this mean for the future, how will it shape and change things
- Social media, (also need to discuss privacy issues, etc), how can we make it work for us?

Staying in touch with each other beyond the conference room:

From ROR session:

- ROR is developing a calendar of events on Google
- Map of BC, what part/region of province are you doing your work – listing of who does what in what region
- Online database
- Educator's contact list (an idea, for agencies to develop a generic email for their agency, i.e, education @pacificaidnetwork.org, then that way if a specific person leaves at least the info still gets through to an agency)
- Annual educator's forum
- ROR Needs assessment recently released and is available at [www.renewingourresponse.ca](http://www.renewingourresponse.ca) and at PAN's website at [www.pacificaidnetwork.org](http://www.pacificaidnetwork.org)

General Discussion:

- Circulate a contact list of conference attendees
- Hot topics, could be posted on websites, enews, blogs, newsletters, etc
- An online forum for educators
- Face to face meetings, when possible
- Question of the week, or topic of the week, hot topics, use the PAN Enews to do this
- Social media, Facebook (private and public pages, could use a private page), Twitter, but you have to make these work for you, suggestion to use HootSuite, or something like it, that allows you to manage all these things from one window
- Important to be respectful when using these tools