

Deaf and Hard of Hearing: HIV Prevention Needs Executive Summary (11/03/03)

Background

In 2003, the Center for AIDS Intervention Research/Medical College of Wisconsin was contracted by the Wisconsin Division of Public Health AIDS/HIV Program to review and summarize published articles and documents regarding the deaf and hard of hearing (D&HH) community and HIV/AIDS. Portions of this report were included in the Wisconsin HIV Prevention Community Planning Council's *Wisconsin Comprehensive HIV Prevention Plan 2004*.

Inclusion Criteria

Included in this summary are published articles and governmental/agency reports and materials that describe and document HIV/AIDS-related epidemiology, behaviors, resources, existing programs, and approaches for prevention among members of the D&HH community.

Organizational Overview

This report includes the following sections:

- Introduction
- Population Definition
- Population Categories
- General Epidemiology
- HIV/STD Risk Behaviors
- Resources and Strengths
- Existing Approaches and Strategies to Reducing HIV Risk Behaviors
- Recommendations for Intervention Approaches
- Resources
- References