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## **November Digest**

### ***Change Requires Action***

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Hi Todd,

Last week, we had our first HMMWatch at the Indiana Statehouse. Modeled after AIDSWatch, we managed a coordinated front on Organization Day, the day when legislators are sworn in for the upcoming legislative session in 2024! Check out our results below!

As you consider your year-end giving, please keep HMM-Indiana in mind. [Click here to make a tax-deductible contribution.](#)

Change the Law, End the Stigma!

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**HMMWatch 2023 was a HUGE success!**



**1365**

HMM advocates represented

**166**

emails sent to 62 Indiana

# legislators by HMM advocates

## 29

# HMM advocate meetings with legislators

For the first time, we held HMMWatch at the Indiana Statehouse on Organization Day, when our legislators are sworn in for the upcoming legislative session. The goal was to setup individual meetings between HMM trained advocate members and their state legislators to educate them on our issue in preparation for the 2024 session. We held 29 face-to-face meetings throughout the day with legislators, including key meetings with leading senators whose support we need to introduce any legislation this year. We were encouraged by all of the conversations, and remain cautiously optimistic for 2024!

We also coordinated a general letter campaign with our email list prior to Organization Day - so thank you to all those who participated from our email list. *(If you'd still like to send letters, the campaign is open until December 1! [Click here to send a letter today!](#))*

The media captured one of our cohort members during the day. [Click here for WRTV's coverage of the day.](#)



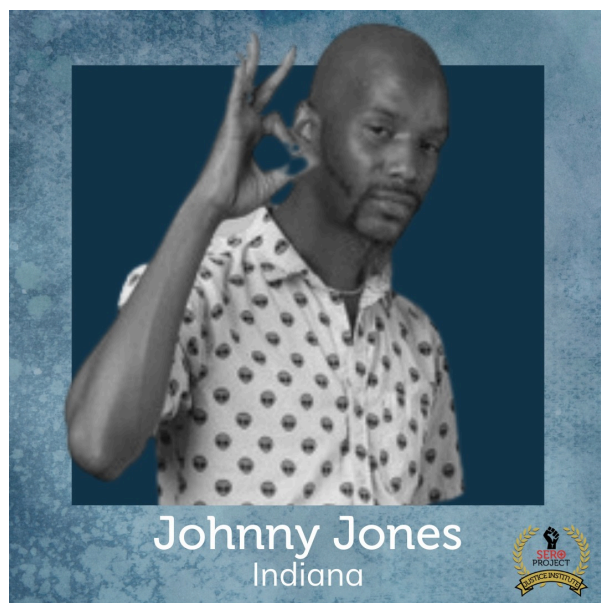
## HMM Across the State

If you know of events in your area where we should be, please [contact us](#).

- Dec 1 - [Urban League World AIDS Day Event](#) (Tabling)
- Dec 3 - Community Christian Church (Presentation)
- Dec 4 - [Ending HIV Criminalization in Indiana](#) at Damien Center (Presentation)
- Dec 4&5 - [HIV Criminalization Legal and Policy Assessment CLE Training](#) (Co-host)
- HAPPY NEW YEAR 2024
- Jan 8 - Mar 14 - Indiana Legislative Session (*active advocacy & lobbying*)
- Jan 17 - Quarterly HMM update
- Feb 6 - HMM-Indiana Advocacy Day at the Indiana State House (Tabling)
- Feb 28 - [ETAF's](#) National HIV Is Not A Crime (HINAC) Awareness Day
- Mar 17-19 - [AIDS Watch 2024](#)
- June 2025 - [The Sero Project's](#) HINAC Conference

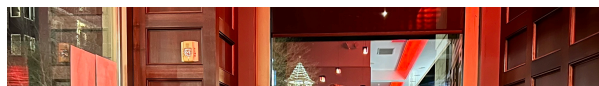
## Member Spotlight

My name is Johnny Jones. I strive to make people feel accepted in a world that is less than agreeable by speaking on my own personal struggles. An interesting fact about myself is my ability to empathize with the issues of the world around me. I pride myself on being an understanding ear to the people I meet daily. My personal goal is to use my influence and position at the many organizations I am a part of to better the lives of people in need of health, social and mental wellness. I want to offer a safe space for others to voice their opinions on hard topics and challenges they may face in their daily lives, while also giving a unique perspective on navigating the obstacles of the LGBTQ+ experience. I offer my help and knowledge to a diverse group of people experiencing opposition due to the many issues facing them in the chaotic world we live in.




## Where else has HMM been this month?

HMM Leaders, Dr. Carrie, Mark, and Eric had the pleasure of addressing HIV




Criminalization at Purdue University LGBTQ Center's HIV/AIDS Awareness Week. Dr. Carrie and Todd also presented to a quarterly statewide training for new non-medical case managers (NMCMS) hosted by IDOH, educating new NMCMS on how Indiana's laws may affect their clients and how they can best support people living with HIV in respect to these laws.





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**AGENDA**  
NMCMS and Supportive Services Training  
November 15<sup>th</sup> 2023  
09:00am – 4:00pm

<b>09:00AM</b>	Introductions/Ice Breaker
<b>09:30 AM</b>	NMCM 101
<b>10:00 AM</b>	HMM Overview- Todd and Carrie
<b>10:45 AM</b>	Break

## HIV Criminalization Legal and Policy Assessment Training

HMM will be co-hosting a training series next week on a new CDC toolkit for state, county & local public health departments, HIV service providers, lawyers, law & policy makers.

- Monday, Dec 4, 2023 2-4 PM ET Part 1
- Tuesday, Dec 5, 2023 2-4 PM ET Part 2
- **2.6 Continuing Legal Education Credit**

This two-part series will equip participants with the ability to understand and evaluate their jurisdiction's current legal and policy landscape of HIV criminalization, including the basics of legal analysis and interpretation, to develop action steps for modernizing and creating more equitable laws and policies.

- Part 1 will cover HIV criminalization and legal interpretation, and
- Part 2 will include health data privacy laws and HIV testing laws.

**Who should attend?** HIV service providers, Lawyers, Local and State Public Health Dept. Staff, Law and Policy Makers.

**Pricing:** This program is free, but registration is required.

[PLEASE CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#) and receive the program link, which will be included in your registration confirmation email.

The trainings are being conducted in partnership with

- Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
- The Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO)
- The Network for Public Health Law (NPHL)
- ChangeLab Solutions
- The HIV Modernization Movement - Indiana

REGISTER!

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## AIDS WATCH 2024 Dates, Sponsorship & Scholarships



We're in this together



March 17-19, 2024

Each year [AIDSWatch](#) brings together hundreds of people living with HIV and their allies in Washington, D.C., to learn about the latest policy issues, messaging strategy and advocacy tactics. And we will keep returning, until we have succeeded in ending the HIV epidemic.

We encourage agencies to consider sponsoring one or more clients to attend AIDSWatch as this helps to build advocates here in Indiana. HMM had funding to bring 13 advocates from Indiana to AIDSWatch 2023, but will not have that funding in 2024. **Please sponsor a PLHIV today!**

[Registration is now open - click here.](#)

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## END OF YEAR GIVING TO HMM



We are #thankful for our community and your continued support. Please consider making a year-end gift to #HMMIndiana. [A tax-deductible contribution can be made here.](#)

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## What action can you take to help?

- Join our quarterly [HMM Advocacy Meetings](#)
- Inform others about HMM by placing our brochure at your organization, place of worship, or favorite coffee spot! [Click here to print copies and/or request paper copies](#) for distribution (English and español available).
- Provide us with more information *including your full street address*. This information will help us identify which State Legislative districts HMM members live in, which will allow us to target our emails to residents in key districts around the State. **Click the button below** to [take action](#) now if you haven't already! 😊

Take Action

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## Online Learning about HIV Criminalization Reform

- [HIV Modernization Movement Indiana](#) - hosted by the Indiana State Bar Association. This is an approved Continuing Legal Education (CLE) course.
- [The HIV Criminalization Online Course](#) - hosted by the HIV Justice Academy

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## Other Opportunities & Resources

- [Read past HMM digests](#) under Newsletter tab.
- For larger discussions on national news related to HIV criminalization, join email lists from [The Sero Project](#) and the [Elizabeth Taylor AIDS Foundation](#).
- For extensive resources on the topic, visit the [Center for HIV Law and Policy](#).
- [Find your Indiana state and federal legislators here](#)
- [Register to vote or check your voting status!](#)

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## Thank you!

HIV Modernization Movement is a grassroots advocacy organization. Our work is made possible by contributions from many donors, including major support from the [Elizabeth Taylor AIDS Foundation](#).

We are now able to accept charitable contributions. [Please click here to donate!](#)

We have [HIV Modernization Movement merchandise for sale](#) on our website. Proceeds are invested back into our grassroots advocacy efforts.

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