



Minutes

Sexual Health Alliance

June 2, 2021, 3:30-4:30 PM

Zoom*

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Meeting ID: 591 174 6467

The Sexual Health Alliance is a collaborative group that promotes and supports healthy relationships and sexual behaviors in Linn and Johnson counties through community engagement

Attendees: Katie Reasner, LCPH; Alicia Martel; Domestic Violence Intervention Program; Haley Jungles, United Action for Youth; Kimmie Anderson, RVAP; Charisa Wotherspoon, RVAP; Hannah Bozorgzadel, Riverview Center; Abbie Lee, Community Member; Laura Faircloth, Cedar Rapids Police Department; Cristina Perez, Johnson County Public Health; Anya Ogilvie, Planned Parenthood; Madisyn Woods, Community Member.

Agency Updates

- RVAP is recruiting participants for several focus groups. [Learn more](#)
- Save the Date for [IC OutLoud PRIDE-FI MUSIC FEST](#) on June 27. Virtual music festival with queer artists and open mic Q&A for parents/youth
- RVAP initiative working with LGBTQIA+ Latinx populations in service area
- RVAP has an open Assistant Director position that focuses in rural areas of service area
- COVID-19 Updates: Cedar Rapids Police Department and Johnson County reopened to the public. Courthouse is now open and continuing with safety precautions. Linn County reopening June 8. UAY starting summer programming in person. RVAP is transitioning back to responding to sexual assault calls
- New HIV/HepC staff at Linn County settling in and will join SHA in the coming months

Discussion Highlights of “Decolonization is not a metaphor” by Tuck and Yang

- “Our goal in this article is to remind readers what is unsettling about decolonization. Decolonization brings about the repatriation of Indigenous land and life; it is not a metaphor for other things we want to do to improve our societies and schools”
- Social justice and critical perspectives/pedagogies are important, but not the same as decolonization
- “Metaphorization” or co-opting of the word disarms it and supports reconciliation of guilt and complicity and controls the narrative, the data we have (which informs policy and decision making) maintains control
- Decolonization is unsettling and solidarity is not simple

Adjourned

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