FIFTH ANNUAL
NYC LATINO HEALTH ADVOCACY DAY
Impact of HIV/AIDS, in Latino communities
Gay/Bi Latino men and Transgender Latinas
What does Ending the Epidemic mean to me and my community?

February 15th, 2017 | 8:30am-11:00am
The Wooly Public, 9 Barclay Street, New York, NY 10007

8:30 am – 9:00 am  Greeting/Registration

9:00 am – 9:05 am  Welcome
Guillermo Chacon, President, Latino Commission on AIDS

9:05 am – 9:10 am  Father Gabriel Lamazares
All Saints Episcopal Church; Sunnyside, Brooklyn, NY

9:10 am – 9:25 am  Voices from City Council

9:25 am – 9:35 am  John Rojas, MPA
Assistant Commissioner for Management, Division of Disease Control
NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

9:35 am – 10:35 am  Panel: What does Ending the AIDS Epidemic mean to me?
Panel Members:
Eric Trujillo, Activist/Educator, Queens
Mauro Julca, Program Manager, Diaspora, Brooklyn
Jasmine Lopez, Engagement Specialist, LGBT Center, Manhattan
Elizabeth Marie Rivera, Latino Commission on AIDS, Manhattan
Justin Toro, Program Manager, Adolescent AIDS Program, Children’s Hospital at Montefiore Medical Center, Bronx
Moderator:
Devin Diaz, Coordinator of the NYC Trans Capacity Building Assistance Program, Latino Commission on AIDS

10:35 am – 10:55 am Questions from the Audience

10:55 am – 11:00 am Closing
Luis Scaccabarozzi, Senior Director of Health Policy, Latino Commission on AIDS

NYC City Council Members invited:
Carlos Menchaca, Ritchie Torres, Corey Johnson
**Panel Bios**

**Eric Trujillo**
Eric’s passion for supporting the LGBTQ community began as a peer educator at William F. Ryan Community Health Center at the age of 18, after being diagnosed with HIV in 2008. He was further motivated in becoming actively involved when he became aware of the Governor’s Plan to End the AIDS Epidemic by 2020 by participating and collaborating with several local organizations such as AHF, GMHC, Ryan Chelsea Clinton, and ACT UP. He has also participated as one of the national reviewers for the CDC’s HIV behavioral intervention “Safe in the City”. His purpose is to educate the public and end the stigma affecting HIV positive individuals throughout the country and around the world through his YouTube channel.

**Mauro Julca**
Mauro Julca is experienced in community organizing with minorities and sub-communities from New York City. His professional interest focuses on advocacy, education, and empowerment of gay/bisexual Latino communities, PLWHIV and undocumented individuals since these are disproportionately impacted by HIV/AIDS and neglected due to several social-economic factors. He is the Executive President of LatinosD, and Program Manager for the Medical Benefits Assistance Program at Diaspora Community Services in Brooklyn.

**Jasmine Lopez**
Jasmine is the Engagement Specialist for The Center’s Transgender Economic Opportunity program, addressing the employment, educational, leadership development, and advocacy needs and efforts of the Trans/gender non-conforming community, and delivers NYCCHR’s “Working with Transgender Persons” training, creating safe, inclusive, affirming spaces, developing new allies, and competent providers to put an end to institutional violence, discrimination, and poverty.

**Elizabeth Marie Rivera**
Elizabeth is a proud Puerto Rican Transgender Woman who has been an advocate/activist/community organizer primarily for the Transgender community for 20+ years, advocating for the health and wellness of the NYC Transgender Community and Sex Industry workers since 1997. Elizabeth has also worked at GMHC/House of Latex Project, Audre Lorde Project/TransJustice, Cambridge Cares About AIDS/AIDS Action - TransCEND, Make the Road NY, The Door and Harlem United. Elizabeth is currently the HIV Counseling, Testing & Referral Specialist and working on projects related to the impact that self-esteem, internalized homophobia and transphobia has on accessing health at Oasis, Latino LGBTS Wellness Center, program of the Latino Commission on AIDS.

**Justin Toro**:
Justin Toro, LMSW is a Licensed Social Worker currently working as the Program Manager with the Adolescent AIDS Program, which is housed at the Children’s Hospital at Montefiore Medical Center in the Bronx. Justin started his work in HIV in 2006 after learning of his own HIV diagnosis. Justin has been part of many advocacy campaigns on a local, state, and national level and is the 2015 recipient of Dennis de Leon “Voz de Compromiso” Award. Experienced in HIV counseling, prevention, treatment and connecting individuals to care, Justin had dedicated his life’s work to working with young adults, teens and adolescents.
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