



An online talk show highlighting the experience of people living with HIV who work as researchers

## EVALUATION SUMMARY

### Session 4 —How Much is Enough? Fair Compensation for Peer Researchers in Health Research?

4 February, 2015

#### About the attendees

**Number of attendees<sup>1</sup>:** 58      **Number of attendees who completed an evaluation:** 34 (or 59% of group)

- **79%** from Ontario, **18%** from Western Canada (British Columbia), **3%** from Eastern Canada (Nova Scotia)
- **52%** were new to *What's Hot with Peer Researchers*
- **68%** were involved in research as a peer, a researcher/study team member, or research coordinator

#### Feedback on the session

##### Overall satisfaction

- **94%** of respondents were satisfied with the session
- **100%** of respondents would participate in future sessions of "What's Hot"

##### Top reasons for attending session

- Respondents wanted to learn about best practices for *compensating peer researchers* in the research process
- Respondents wanted to learn more about research studies that have peer researchers working with them
- Respondents wanted to learn about best practices for the *equitable involvement of peer researchers*

##### Session content

- **98%** agreed the questions asked by participants were answered during the session
- **91%** agreed the online chat feature was an effective way to create dialogue among participants
- **85%** agreed there was enough time for questions

##### Session outcomes

- **91%** agreed the session provided a chance to discuss key issues relevant to *working with peer researchers*
- **94%** agreed the session provided an opportunity to discuss key issues *relevant to peer researchers*

##### Ideas that stood out for participants during this session

- Consider the potential barriers ahead of time and try to prepare for them in advance
- No model of peer compensation fits all.
- Issues about logistics of paying PRAs (e.g. social assistance, bank accounts, cash)

#### Comments about Edition 4

*"Thank you for my great first experience"*

*"Good Start to what I'm sure will become viral among the HIV community"*

*"Thank you; love the 'talk show' idea!"*

<sup>1</sup> This number represents number of sites logged in, not number of people per site. The overall number of participants may be higher.