

The HIV/AIDS Prevention Education Professional Development and Training Cadre

Dr. Elissa Barr

Dr. Elissa Barr is an Associate Professor of Public Health at the University of North Florida, teaching sexuality education and program planning and evaluation. She has written one book, published various journal articles, and conducted numerous state and national presentations in the area of sexuality education.

Dr. Barr has worked with the HIV/AIDS Prevention Education Program in various capacities since 2004. She was the lead developer of an online sexual health education professional development course for educators, has provided onsite professional development to teachers in several school districts, and most recently has developed a parent training curriculum entitled, *Beyond the Birds and the Bees*.

Ms. Carole Gooden

Ms. Gooden has an Education Specialist degree in Learning Resources from Nova University, a Masters of Education degree in Library Science from Columbia University and a post-graduate degree in Education from the University of the West Indies. Ms. Gooden has recently retired from the St. Lucie County School District. During the 30 years she worked in the St. Lucie County Schools she was a Technology Resource Specialist, Media Service Specialist in Distance Learning, and taught high school biology and chemistry. She is the past chairman of the Board of Directors for the AIDS Research Treatment Center of the Treasure Coast.

Ms. Gooden has worked with the HIV/AIDS Prevention Education Program as a Trainer of Trainers since 2007. She is prepared to offer trainings in the use of *Get Real About AIDS*, an evidence-based STD/HIV and teen pregnancy prevention program.

Ms. Valerie Mincey

Ms. Valery Mincey earned her Bachelor and Master Degrees in Social Work from Florida State University. She is currently Executive Director of BASIC, Northwest Florida, Inc., located in Panama City Florida. BASIC is a non-profit organization that provides care, treatment and prevention to HIV/AIDS positive and high-risk negative individuals. BASIC also has a mentoring program for children who have one or more incarcerated parents. Ms. Mincey has been an employee of BASIC for over 16 years.

Ms. Mincey has worked with the HIV/AIDS Prevention Education Program as a Trainer of Trainers since 2009. Ms. Mincey is available to provide trainings in the use of *Bloodlines Video Training*, an initiative designed for incarcerated youth; *Making Proud Choices*, an evidence-based STD/HIV and teen pregnancy prevention curriculum; and *Beyond the Birds and the Bees*, a curriculum designed to help parents learn to talk with their children about sexual health issues.