



Marion County HIV Ending the Epidemic TaskForce
Focus Group - Facilitator, Participant, Notetaker - Stipend Statement

In February 2019, the President announced the Ending the HIV Epidemic (EtE) in America Initiative. The initiative will leverage data, tools, and resources to reduce new HIV infections by 90% over the next 10 years. Marion County is one of the jurisdictions identified for which the State of Indiana will receive funds specific to this initiative.

Community input is vital to the success of the development of the Marion County HIV EtE Plan and Johnson Grossnickle & Associates in conjunction with The Health Foundation of Greater Indianapolis will be coordinating a minimum of 20 Focus Groups with representatives of key populations to secure this feedback. Special considerations will be made to ensure community engagement, this will include the following: pursuing convenient times and locations for the focus group, culturally appropriate group facilitation, transportation assistance to/from focus group as needed and appropriate, and compensation for focus group participation.

The following compensation will be offered to all participants of Focus Groups.

Focus Group Facilitator: \$100.00 Visa branded gift card

Focus Group Notetaker (Individual): \$50.00 Visa branded gift card

Focus Group Participant: \$50.00 Visa branded gift card

Anyone participating in a focus group, in any capacity, during their regular business or work hours should consult with their employer regarding policies related to accepting stipends as additional compensation. Any participant may also refuse the gift card stipend.