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I agree to receive CGCAB information via:

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Initials: _____

I am committed, without exception, to the Common Ground Consumer Advisory Board membership promise of **CONFIDENTIALITY** and **NONJUDGMENT.**

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Mission

To advise the VCU staff and its affiliates that provide clinical care, ensuring that all clinics operate in the best interests of people of all ages, genders, living circumstances and cultures living with HIV/AIDS.

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**Common Ground
 Consumer
 Advisory Board**

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Purpose

To strengthen the element of community representation within VCU networks by having people infected with HIV participate in the HIV/AIDS care development, implementation, and follow-up processes.

CGCAB provides to its members:

- HIV/AIDS management education
- HIV/AIDS issues and care policy education
- HIV/AIDS empowerment training opportunities
- HIV/AIDS quality and advocacy training opportunities

Membership

The membership shall consist of residents of the Central Virginia who are infected with the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) and have an interest in HIV care issues.

Qualifications

- Must be at least 18 years old and infected with HIV.
- Must agree to adhere strictly to all laws pertaining to CGCAB and medical ethics standards of confidentiality.
- Must be able to effectively work in groups and respect the viewpoints of others.

Responsibilities & Commitments

- Requires dedicated efforts to self-education on HIV, The ability to work with others, and the willingness to review materials pertaining to the medical aspect of HIV/AIDS
- We request the applicants make at least a one year commitment. (This condition may be waived upon request if you feel you might be unable to serve on the CAB Due to health issues.
- Must be able to participate in approximately 1 ½ to 2 hour bi monthly meetings:
 - Learn what is taking place currently in HIV arena and how it affects you and your community.
 - Keep abreast of research activities.
 - Effectively communicate your views regarding HIV disease, medical treatment, quality of care, social issues, and other topics pertaining to HIV/AIDS with the rest of the CAB.
 - Offer Input into protocol design development, & implementation.
 - Suggest new ideas in line with our mission for what we as an organization should be doing in the community.

- A member's name may be dropped from active membership list and from the mailing list after missing (3) meeting without prior notice to the board. (Unless due to illness or other exceptional circumstances).
- If you have been dropped from the active member list due to missing (3) meeting you will have to reapply.
- Should a CGCAB member engage in a breach of confidentiality, their membership will be revoked. Their name will be dropped from the membership and mailing list permanently. Also criminal charges will be pursued if applicable.



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