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Community Access National Network Seats Three New Board Members

New Leadership includes Michelle Anderson, Dusty Garner, and Cindy Snyder

WASHINGTON, DC (August 10, 2022) – The Community Access National Network, otherwise known as CANN, today announced it has seated Michelle Anderson, Dusty Garner, and Cindy Snyder to its board of directors. The new leadership embodies the organization's long-standing commitment to collaboration between patients and industry partners. CANN also re-seated three current board members to serve another two-year term.

Michelle Rigdon-Anderson is the Policy Associate for The Afiya Center, an organization run and lead by Black women whose mission is to serve Black women and girls by transforming their relationship with their sexual and reproductive health through addressing the consequences of reproduction oppression. Before joining The Afiya Center, Michelle graduated with an A.A.S in Substance Abuse Counseling and served as Counselor 1, HIV Educator for clients and staff, and First AID Instructor at a judicial drug treatment facility women's program in Wilmer, Texas. Her goal is to further her education and attain her Bachelor of Arts in Political Science. In her spare time, Michelle formerly 2011 Ms. Plus America, is a National Ambassador for Greater Than AIDS Empowerment Campaign and the Black AIDS Institute where she uses life experiences to eradicate HIV stigma and challenge oppressive laws that creates barriers for Black Women and Girls from achieving access to resources that will allow them to reach full bodily autonomy.

Dusty Garner (he/him) is an activator – be it through his storytelling, his philanthropic and services efforts, or his career – who is always seeking to motivate and engage those around him. In his career as a marketing and business consultant, he provides executive guidance to some of the largest enterprise organizations around the globe but maintains a strong focus on making his services available and accessible to underrepresented entrepreneurs and non-profits. In addition to his career, Dusty is passionate about raising funds for his foundation which provides financial access to mental healthcare and other vital resources for transgender and queer identified university students in rural Kansas.

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Dusty serves as the secretary for the New York City (dis)Order of the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence, where he found his calling spreading joy, assisting with services for LGBTQ+ homeless populations, advocating for sex worker protections and decriminalization, and having the honor to sit with people during the final hours of their lives. Dusty has been steeped in patient advocacy since coming out as gay in rural Kansas at the height of the AIDS crisis. While working on his bachelor's degree in political science, Dusty served as Executive Director of Regional AIDS Project in Manhattan, KS – providing grant-funded HIV-related services across three counties in northeast Kansas. Later, while living in Puebla, Mexico, Dusty started an organization to empower HIV-positive men to take ownership of their stories and empower them to use their newfound voice to lessen the stigma of an HIV diagnosis in Mexican culture. Dusty went on to study his master's in justice studies at Arizona State University, focusing his research on access to societal power. He is now wrapping up a Master's in Business Administration – Executive Leadership, from Quantic School of Business.

Cindy Snyder is a Director of Community Government Relations for ViiV Healthcare, a pharmaceutical company 100% focused on HIV. In her current role, Cindy works with patient advocates and policy makers on health policies that improve access to care for people living with HIV and who need prevention, at the federal level and in several states. Prior to joining ViiV Healthcare, Cindy was with GlaxoSmithKline (GSK), working with Medicaid programs and commercial insurance plans. She has held past positions in the Policy and State Government Affairs departments, where she focused on HIV funding and access issues associated with Medicaid and AIDS Drug Assistance Programs. Cindy is a member of the North Carolina State Bar and lives in Durham, North Carolina with her husband and daughter. Her oldest daughter lives in Vermont.

The current board members re-seated for another two-year term included Darnell Ferrell, Jeffrey R. Lewis, Trelvis D. Randolph, Esq.

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About the Community Access National Network: The mission of the Community Access National Network (CANN) is to define, promote, and improve access to healthcare services and supports for people living with HIV/AIDS and/or Viral Hepatitis through advocacy, education, and networking. These services must be affordable to the people who need them regardless of insurance status, income, or geographic location.