

### Surrey HIV/AIDS Centre Society

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E-mail: [aidscentre@surreyhealth.bc.ca](mailto:aidscentre@surreyhealth.bc.ca)  
Support group meets Tuesday from 10-12.  
Drop-in Lounge is open 5 days a week, 9-3.

### Vancouver Native Health Society (VNHS)

Positive Outlook Program HIV/AIDS  
HIV/AIDS Outreach Program and Support Services  
441 East Hastings Street  
Vancouver, BC  
Information: 604-254-9937  
Counselling: 604-254-9947  
Fax: 604-254-9948  
E-mail: [popvnhs@shawbiz.ca](mailto:popvnhs@shawbiz.ca)  
Support group for people with HIV/AIDS and their significant others 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm Wednesdays, and a transgendered support group 5 pm to 7 pm Mondays

### Positive Women's Network

#614- 1033 Davie Street  
Vancouver, BC  
Tel: 604-692-3000 or 1-866-692-3001 for more information or to register  
E-mail: [pwn@pwn.bc.ca](mailto:pwn@pwn.bc.ca)  
<http://www.pwn.bc.ca>  
Support Group for women some Thursdays, 5:00-7:30 p.m.



## AIDS Vancouver

1107 Seymour Street  
Vancouver, BC  
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## Support groups

List of support groups  
for people living with HIV  
in Vancouver and the  
Lower Mainland

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[www.aidsvancouver.org](http://www.aidsvancouver.org)

## You are not alone.

If you've recently been diagnosed with HIV and need to talk to a counselor, professional support is available for you and your family in the Greater Vancouver area. Sharing your experiences with people who have been through the same situation can reduce your sense of isolation and help you overcome your feelings. Join one of the groups listed on this brochure when you feel ready. For more information on what to do and where to find support if you're newly diagnosed, visit our website [www.aidsvancouver.org](http://www.aidsvancouver.org)

## List of groups

### **BC Persons With AIDS Society**

1107 Seymour Street, 2nd Floor  
Vancouver V6B 5S8  
Tel: 604.893.2200 or 1.800.994.2437  
Fax: 604.893.2251  
E-mail: [info@bcpwa.org](mailto:info@bcpwa.org)  
<http://www.bcpwa.org>

#### *Wednesday Evening Support Group*

7:00pm - 9:00pm

The Wednesday evening group welcomes people living with HIV disease, people who are co-infected with Hepatitis C, as well as family, friends, medical or social supports of group members. The group focuses on mutual support, empowerment, and information exchange.

Contact: Aaron or Jackie (604.893.2259)

#### *Average Joes Social Group*

Wednesday 8:00pm - 11:00pm

Average Joes is a friendly and supportive social group for HIV+ Gay Men\*. Participants can drop-in anytime between 8-11 pm Wednesday evenings at Numbers Cabaret (1042 Davie Street, 2nd floor).

The guys meet by the pool table on the second floor. Average Joes is a casual social setting where Gay HIV+ guys play pool, enjoy pizza and win prizes, courtesy of BCPWA Society and Numbers.

\*BCPWA Membership is not required

Contact: Richard Harrison Phone: 604.893.2258

### **Carnegie Community Centre**

Pottery Room, 401 Main Street  
Vancouver, BC V6A 2T7  
Tel: 604-665-2220

Fax: 604-606-2736

HIV and hepatitis support groups Thursdays from 6pm-8pm.

### **The Centre (LGTB Community Centre)**

1170 Bute Street, Vancouver, BC V6E 1Z6

Tel: 604.684.5307

<http://www.lgtbcentrevancouver.com>

#### *Chronically Queer*

Support group for LGTB people living with chronic illness/ disability

1st & 3rd Thurs. monthly 2:00 - 4:00

610-100 Davie St. (space accessible)

info: 604 684-8449

### **The Heart of Richmond AIDS Society**

Suite #200 at 6411 Buswell St. in Richmond (on Buswell between Saba & Cook)

Tel 604.277.5137

Fax 604.277.5131

E-mail [contact@heartofrichmond.com](mailto:contact@heartofrichmond.com)

<http://www.heartofrichmond.com>

24-hour crisis line: 604.872.3311

Support Group information:

Meets every Tuesday evening in central Richmond.

The group is a safe, non-judgemental environment in which confidentiality is fully respected. It includes sharing and emotional support, presentations by guest speakers and movie & activity nights. Everyone infected or affected is welcome to participate.

### **Mennonite Central Committee BC (MCC BC)**

HIV/AIDS Program

31414 Marshall Road

Mailing address: Box 2038

Abbotsford, BC

V2T 3T8

Tel 604-850-6639 or 1-888-622-6337

Fax: 604-850-8734

E-mail: [hivaid@mccbc.com](mailto:hivaid@mccbc.com)

Support Group for persons living with HIV/AIDS

"Our support group meets twice a month and is a sup-

port group for people living with HIV/AIDS. The group is facilitated by a MCC staff member, and is open to anyone who is HIV positive and wanting this kind of support. We are currently the only support group in the Fraser East health region for persons living with HIV/AIDS.

Those who are interested in our support group are encouraged to contact the MCC BC office (604) 850-6639 or 1-888-622-6337."

### **Saint Paul's Hospital**

HIV/AIDS Support Groups

1081 Burrard Street

Vancouver, BC

V6Z 1Y6

Tel: 604-806-8223

Fax: 604-806-9311

Support Group for People Living with HIV/AIDS - Thursdays 2:30 -4:00

Burrard Building Room 2c-209

+ Support Group for Partners of people living with HIV/AIDS (doesn't meet regularly). Contact Mary Petty for more information (604.806.8223).

### **LifeSkills Centre**

Vancouver Coastal Health Authority

412 Cordova Street

Vancouver, BC V6A 1L6

604-678-8278

Positive Lunch is a support group and community kitchen for people with HIV and their significant others. Every Wednesday, peer organized drop-in and support group with lunch organized from 12 noon, with ASIA (For more information contact David Huynh at [idu@asia.bc.ca](mailto:idu@asia.bc.ca)).