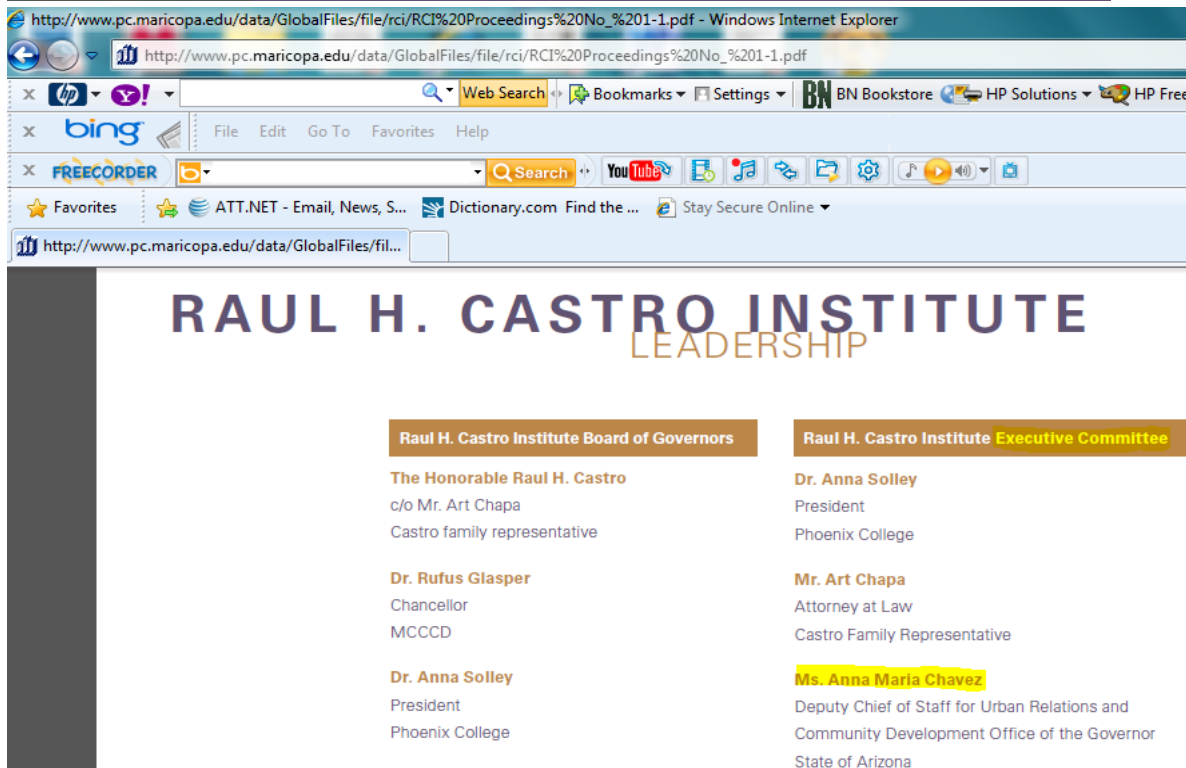
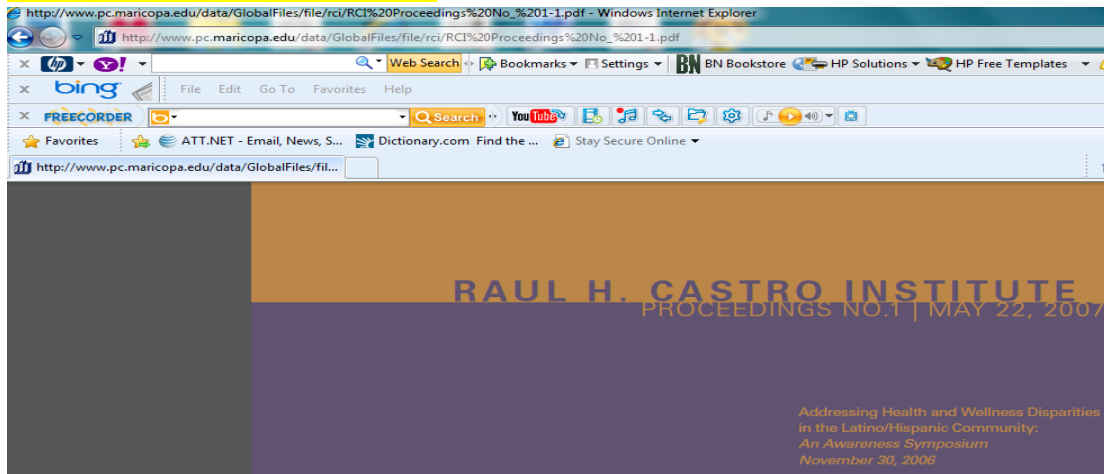


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Prevention programs directed at Latino/Hispanic populations involve ethnically-specific challenges with respect to sociocultural factors. These challenges are especially severe for migrants, the most difficult population to track and service, although valuable survey data are accumulating. Conditions that increase risks of HIV/AIDS infection are most rampant among such socially marginalized groups. Isolation and lack of legitimate sexual partners, involvement in survival sex work by both males and females, and coping with low self-esteem through substance abuse are just some of the conditions migrants face. The use of HIV/AIDS as a political bargaining tool further exacerbates prevention efforts when infected persons are denied visas and citizenship.

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...ance, and uninsurance are all factors contributing to unplanned teenage pregnancy, but getting information about sexual behavior and birth control to this target population is essential in order to counteract this trend. The difficulty of parent-child communication about human sexuality transcends the Latino/Hispanic community. Parents need to be encouraged to begin talking with their children about their bodies, pregnancy prevention, responsible sexual behavior, and healthy relationships within their families, cultural and religious attitudes, beliefs, expectations, and values. Statistics show that, while the age of menses has lowered (from 15 years to 12.5 years), women are marrying later (average age of 25 years), thus increasing the number of females vulnerable to unplanned pregnancies. Providing access to sexual health education ought to be a public responsibility. Yet, more than 200 school districts in Arizona have no sex education programs. Funding is scarce and often dedicated to abstinence-only programs.

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