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Vision: Healthy Communities, Healthy People

HRSA's HIV/AIDS Bureau (HRSA HAB) Vision and Mission

30 YEARS

Innovating Care
Optimizing Public Health
Ending the HIV Epidemic

Vision
Optimal HIV/AIDS care and treatment for all.

Mission
Provide leadership and resources to assure access to and retention in high quality, integrated care, and treatment services for vulnerable people with HIV and their families.

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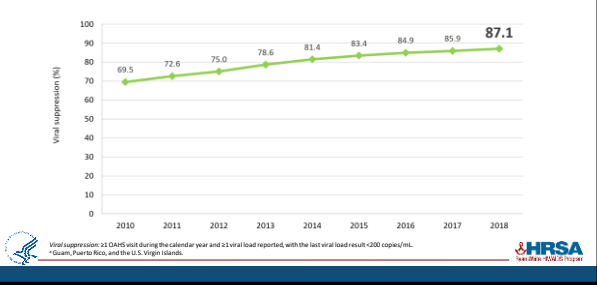

2018 Client-Level Data

Continued Progress

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Viral Suppression among Clients Served by the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (non-ADAP), 2010–2018—United States and 3 Territories[a]
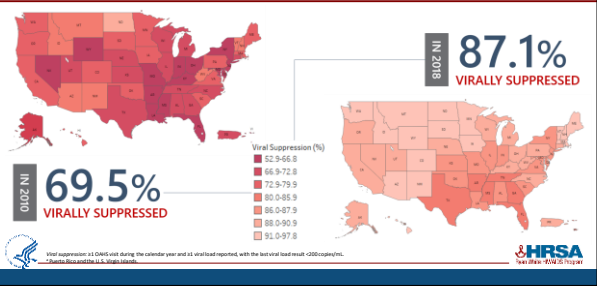

Viral suppression: ≥1 OAHS visit during the calendar year and ≥1 viral load reported, with the last viral load result <200 copies/mL.
[a] Guam, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Viral Suppression among RWHAP Clients, by State, 2010 and 2018—United States and 2 Territories[a]

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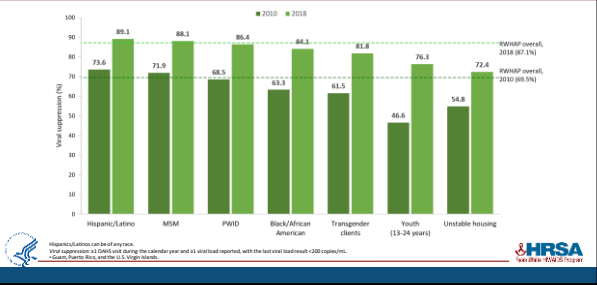[a] Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Viral Suppression among Key Populations Served by the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program, 2010 and 2018—United States and 3 Territories[a]

Hispanics/Latinos can be of any race.
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Ending the HIV Epidemic

Identifying and Addressing Challenges

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Four Pillars of Ending the HIV Epidemic

75% reduction in new HIV diagnoses in 5 years and a **90%** reduction in 10 years.

Diagnose
All people with HIV as early as possible.

Treat
People with HIV rapidly and effectively to reach sustained viral suppression.

Prevent
New HIV transmissions by using proven interventions, including pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) and syringe services programs (SSPs).

Respond
Quickly to potential HIV outbreaks to get needed prevention and treatment services to people who need them.

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Geographic Locations of Ending the HIV Epidemic Initiative

Efforts focused in 48 counties, Washington, DC, and San Juan, PR, where more than 50% of HIV diagnoses occurred in 2016 and 2017, and seven states with substantial rural HIV burden.

County contributing to 50% new HIV diagnoses in 2016/2017

State with disproportionate rural burden in 2016/2017

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Ending the HIV Epidemic – Overlap of RWHAP Parts A and B and Identified Counties and States

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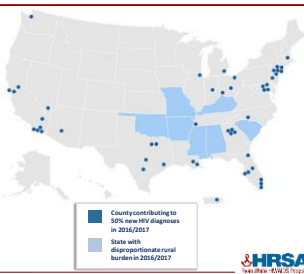
Identifying the Challenges Ahead

People with HIV in care	People newly diagnosed with HIV	People with HIV out of care
• Improve viral suppression rates • Decrease disparities	• Enhance linkage to care • Enhance engagement in care	• Expand re-engagement in care • Improve retention in care

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HRSA HAB Ending the HIV Epidemic (EHE) Resources

JURISDICTIONS

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

SYSTEMS COORDINATION

TA AND CAPACITY BUILDING

- FY 2020 $70 million
- Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Parts A and B
- Technical Assistance Provider
- Systems Coordination Provider
- AIDS Education and Training Center (AETC) Program for workforce capacity development

FY 2020 Minority HIV/AIDS Fund Initiatives to Support EHE

Reducing Stigma at Systems, Organizational, and Individual Client Levels in the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program

Building Capacity to Implement Rapid Antiretroviral (ART) Initiation for Improved Care Engagement

Improving Care and Treatment Coordination: Focusing on Black Women with HIV

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HRSA's Health Center Program Funding Overview

- **Primary Care HIV Prevention (PCHP) Supplemental Funding**
  - $54 million awarded to 195 HRSA-funded health centers with service delivery sites in the geographic locations identified by the EHE.
  - Recipients: dually-funded (HRSA's Bureau of Primary Health Care and RWHAP) health centers or health centers with MOUs with RWHAP sites

| Engage new and existing patients to identify those at risk for HIV | Increase patients tested for HIV | Increase patients who receive prevention education and clinically-indicated PrEP |
| Increase linkage to HIV treatment | Enhance/Establish partnerships to support HIV prevention activities | Within 8 months of award, add staff to support HIV prevention services and PrEP |

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HRSA COVID-19 Response

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HRSA COVID-19 Related Funding and Awards

HRSA Program	Month/Purpose	Total Awards
Health Center Program	**March:** Health Centers **April:** Health Centers **May:** Health Centers **July:** Health Center Look A-likes	$100 million $1.3 billion $583 million $17 million
Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program	**April:** Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program	$90 million
Federal Office of Rural Health Policy	**April:** Rural hospitals **May:** Rural Health Clinics **May:** Tribal and urban Indian health orgs., other health services providers to tribes	$150 $225 $15 million
Poison Control Centers Program	**April:** Poison control centers	$5 million
Telehealth Investments	**April:** BHW: Health workforce programs- telehealth training **April:** MCHB: Maternal and child health **April:** Telehealth Resource Centers **Sept:** Assist telehealth clinician on licensure and credentialing	$15 million $15 million $11.5 million $ 5 million
Provider Relief Fund	**Ongoing:** to Health Care Providers and Facilities for expenses and lost revenue, including Uninsured Program	$177 billion

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COVID- Related Funding for RWHAP: $90 million

- **Awarded to 581 RWHAP recipients of CARES Act funding on April 15, 2020**
  - Funding to Parts A, B, C, D, AETCs

- **Prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19 for RWHAP clients. Examples:**
  - PPE, minor renovations
  - COVID testing, treatment
  - Telemedicine infrastructure, phone minutes
  - Housing, transportation, emergency food
  - Staff training, patient education

- **Provides flexibility to meet evolving needs for people with HIV related to COVID-19**
  - 75% Core medical services waived
  - 50% EIS in Part C waived
  - Pre-award costs back to January 20, 2020

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HAB COVID Activities

- **Communication**
  - ~Monthly RWHAP recipient "HAB You Heard" webinars
  - Web page to centralize information

- **Extending deadlines**
  - Grant applications, reporting
  - Delaying Part C re-competition by one year

- **Responding to questions and providing guidance**
  - Daily incoming FAQs
  - Delaying site visits
  - Considerations of retention rates and pay-for-performance

- **Working with Federal counterparts**
  - HHS Treatment Guidelines Committee Guidance

Frequently Asked Questions can be found at:

https://hab.hrsa.gov/coronavirus/frequently-asked-questions

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COVID-19 Lessons to Accelerate EHE Response

- **Adoption of telemedicine**
  - Reaching those out of care
  - Improving retention rates
  - Concerns about the "digital divide"
- **Extension of medication refills**
  - 90 day fills
  - Increased home delivery
- **Self Testing**
  - HIV, STIs
- **Reassessing processes**
  - Eligibility and recertification

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Technical Expert Panels

Topic	Date
Addressing the Housing Needs of RWHAP Clients	November 18, 2019
Addressing the HIV Care Needs of People with HIV who are Justice Involved	March 3, 2020
Part D Reimagine	April 2, 2020
Assessing Implementation and Impact of RWHAP Rapid Eligibility Determination and Six-Month Recertification Policies and Procedures	February 19, 2020 (ADAP) February 20, 2020 (Parts A & B) June 17-18, 2020 (Parts C & D)
Aging with HIV	November 17 & 18, 2020
Enhancing HIV Prevention and Care for Women	October 14, 21, & 28, 2020 *(tentative dates)*

Other Key Activities 2020

- **Addressing the implementation gap**
  - Evidence Informed Interventions (e2i)
  - Compilation of Promising Practices
  - Capacity building to support innovative program model replication

- **Focusing on STIs**
  - Extragenital testing
  - Data

- **Eliminating HCV co-infection**

- **Better utilizing data for decision making**

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Thank you for all you do in your communities on behalf of people with HIV

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