

December 11, 2020



Community Newsletter

HEADLINES

Affordable Care Act (ACA) Marketplace for Plan Year 2021

December 15th is the Deadline!

Ryan White Program subrecipients are urged to ask your case management team to reach out to and help as many eligible Ryan White Program clients with ACA enrollment as possible.

[Click here to get started!](#)

Let Your Voice Be Heard!

HIV National Strategic Plan Posted for Public Comment

Deadline December 14, 2020. The draft HIV National Strategic Plan: A Roadmap to End the HIV Epidemic 2021-2025 (HIV Plan) provides a framework to end HIV by 2030. Please consider providing feedback to this important HIV Plan as the federal government moves forward with efforts to end the HIV epidemic.

World AIDS Day!

Read the World AIDS Day Proclamations from *This Week on HIV.gov*

- ◆ Secretary Azar Statement on World AIDS Day
- ◆ Statement from Rear Adm. Michael Weahkee on World AIDS Day
- ◆ PEPFAR: World AIDS Day 2020 Statement
- ◆ NIH Statement on World AIDS Day 2020
- ◆ Media Statement from CDC Director Robert R. Redfield, M.D., in Observance of World AIDS Day 2020
- ◆ CDC: World AIDS Day – December 1
- ◆ White House Proclamation on World AIDS Day, 2020

Good News on Viral Load Suppression Rate!

HRSA Announces Record High HIV Viral Suppression Rate in New 2019 RWHAP Client-Level Data Report

A new report released this week by the Health Resources and Services Administration shows that clients receiving Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program medical care were virally suppressed at a record level – 88.1 percent – in 2019.

[Click here for details on these and more Headlines!](#)



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December 18 will be the final *Community Newsletter* of 2020!

[Click here for details on contributions.](#)

New items will continue to be posted to AIDSNET.org and social media!

MEETINGS

Partnership meetings will resume in January 2021!

Please check your email for important announcements and updated schedules.

[Click here](#) for 2020 calendars.

[Click here](#) for Membership Applications



See it first on social media!

COVID-19 Resources and Events

[Click here](#) for details.

New! Food Distribution through December 30!
Various dates and locations throughout Miami-Dade County.

New! December 11: Food distribution event to commemorate World AIDS Day
Lord of Life Lutheran Church: 9225 SW 137th Ave, Miami, FL 33186. Time: 4PM to 7PM. Contact Francesco Duberli, 305-299-1957; fduberli@survivorspathway.org.

New! Healthy Together App
Get your COVID-19 test results as soon as they are ready. Securely view your COVID-19 test results on the official FLDOH app – Healthy Together.

New! COVID-19 Testing at Empower U!
Tuesdays and Thursdays! And via the Empower U mobile unit on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays!

New! Miami-Dade County COVID-19 Community-Based Testing Sites
Updated 11/18/20.

New! Suspension of the ADAP Requirement for CD4 and Viral Load Labs
Florida Governor's Executive Order 20-276 signed November 3, 2020: Extends the previous Executive Orders No. 20-52 for another 60 days: This means that the suspension of the ADAP requirement for CD4 and Viral Load labs at enrollment and recertification will be extended to January 2, 2021.

WEBINARS

[Click here](#) for details.

Southeast AIDS Education & Training Center Program

- ◆ December 14: Multicultural Mondays: Ending the US HIV Epidemic: Individualizing ART for Black/African American Patients with HIV
- ◆ December 15: Stronger Together: More than a Number: Treating Patients Beyond HIV
- ◆ December 16: Webcast Wednesday: HIV and COVID-19 in Correctional Settings

December 16: Invitation to Planning Councils to Participate on a Call with the CAEAR Coalition and HRSA
CAEAR Coalition's government affairs consultants and lobbyists Jon Bouker and Oliver Spurgeon of Arent Fox will outline the current political landscape, and Chrissy Abrahms of HRSA will provide updates on key HRSA programs and initiatives. Participants will have time for Q&A with Arent Fox and Chrissy.

New! January 27: Let's Work: Developing Work Plans for Part A Planning Councils/ Planning Bodies
Participants will hear from Houston and Boston EMA representatives about their work plan development, implementation, and maintenance strategies. Guest speakers will share adaptations made to their work plans in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Presenters will also share examples of effective work plans for Part A Planning Councils/ Planning Bodies.

HOUSING RESOURCES

[Click here](#) for details on these and more Housing Resources.

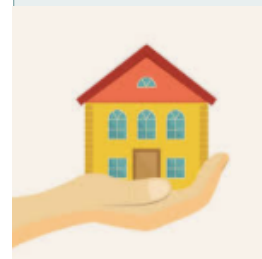
Still Open! Miami-Dade County's Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP)
Based on funding availability, ERAP 2 may be able to provide rental assistance for three (3) months of unpaid rent up to a maximum of \$5,000.

New! HOPWA Resource Tool Helps Jurisdictions Plan for and Evaluate Housing Needs
A new tool is available to assist Ending the HIV Epidemic (EHE) Phase 1 jurisdictions and stakeholders in evaluating and planning for housing needs for people with HIV.

HOPE Forum, Fall 2020
HOPE, Inc. Quarterly Newsletter, including HUD complaint for race and for having children; Segregation making COVID matters worse; Eviction moratorium; Emotional support animal documentation; Outreach efforts; and more!

HUD Funding Opportunities
Over 20 Grant programs that support HUD initiatives . . .

Housing and HIV: HRSA and HUD Coordinate (HIV.gov)
The HRSA HIV/AIDS Bureau (HAB) is highlighting data on housing instability and homelessness among Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP) clients. . .

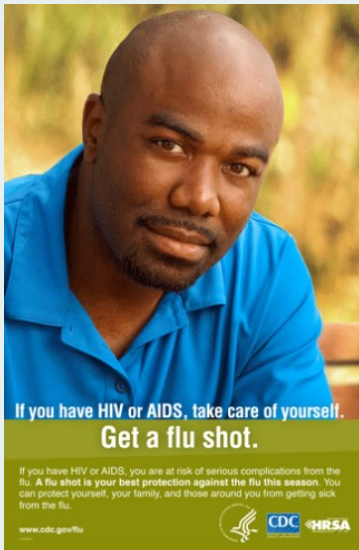


FLU SEASON

From [HIV.gov](#)

Protect Yourself from the Flu: Important Info for People with HIV

Getting a flu vaccine during 2020-2021 is more important than ever because of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. When you get vaccinated, you reduce your risk of getting sick with flu and possibly being hospitalized or dying from flu. This season, getting a flu vaccine has the added benefit of reducing the overall burden on the health care system and saving medical resources for care of COVID-19 patients.



Credit: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

From [CDC.gov](#)

Flu & People With HIV

Getting a flu vaccine during 2020-2021 is more important than ever because of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. Flu vaccination is especially important for people with certain underlying medical conditions, like asthma, heart disease, and diabetes. People with these types of conditions are at higher risk of developing serious complications from flu . . .

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GRANTS

[Click here](#) for details on these and more Grants.

New! U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Fiscal Year 2021 Ending the HIV Epidemic – Primary Care HIV Prevention

Funding on a competitive basis to a subset of Health Center Program award recipients to expand the number of health centers funded to focus on HIV prevention in the initiative-targeted areas (195 received FY 2020 PCHP supplemental funding in March 2020). Eligible applicants are domestic public and private nonprofit entities. Deadline Date: 2021-02-05

New! U.S. Department of Health and Human Services SAMSHA Enhancement and Expansion of Treatment and Recovery Services for Adolescents, Transitional Aged Youth, and their Families

To enhance and expand comprehensive treatment, early intervention, and recovery support services for adolescents and transitional aged youth with substance use disorders (SUD) and/or co-occurring substance use and mental disorders (COD), and their families/primary caregivers. Eligible applicants: domestic public & private nonprofit entities. Deadline Date: 2021-02-08

New! U.S. Department of Health and Human Services SAMSHA Mental Health Awareness Training

To prepare and train others on how to appropriately and safely respond to individuals with mental disorders, particularly individuals with SMI and/or SED. Eligible applicants are domestic public and private nonprofit entities. Deadline Date: 2021-02-05

New! U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part C Capacity Development Program

To strengthen organizational capacity to respond to the changing health care landscape and increase access to high-quality HIV primary health care services for low-income, uninsured, and underserved people with HIV. Public and nonprofit private entities, faith-based and community-based organizations, and Tribes and tribal organizations are eligible to apply. Foreign entities are not eligible for this award. Deadline Date: 2021-02-19

New! Department of Health and Human Services NIH Strengthening HIV Prevention Efforts for Women in the Southern U.S. (R34 Clinical Trial Optional)

The goal of this concept is to encourage new strategies that incorporate multiple levels of influence to reach women in the southern U.S. with targeted HIV prevention strategies. Eligible Applicants: State, County, City or township governments; Public housing authorities/Indian housing authorities; Nonprofits with and without 501(c)(3) status with the IRS; Independent school districts; Special district governments; For profit organizations and small businesses; Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized); Private institutions of higher education; and Native American tribal organizations. Deadline Date: 01-11-2021



SURVEYS & STUDIES

Some studies include financial compensation.

[Click here](#) for details on these and many other research opportunities!

Receive a \$30 Walmart Gift Card for completion of a telephone survey!

FIU in partnership with the Ryan White Part A Program and Behavioral Science Research is conducting two telephone surveys with Ryan White Part A Program clients: Patient Centered Care survey for MEN only; and COVID-19 survey for men and women.

New! Experiences of LatinE Transgender and Gender Diverse People in South Florida

Participants will receive a \$20 Gift Card to Walmart! Participation Requirements: Identify as Hispanic/ LatinE Transgender and Gender Diverse; Identify as Transgender and/or Gender Diverse; Age 18 to 29, English speaker; Completed 10 minute online survey; Participate in a 45 minute online interview.

New! The Florida Cohort Study-FIU/UF Research Study

Help us understand what influences your health. We are assessing how individual, clinic, and community level factors influence healthcare utilization and HIV clinical outcomes across the state of Florida. The study will help identify barriers to care and treatment that could be changed by future interventions to improve health outcomes of people with HIV Must be 18 years or older and willing to answer questions about

your general health, social habits, and healthcare access, takes 20+ minutes to completed online, by mail, or by phone and earn \$15 or more!

New! El Estudio Dime Más

¿QUIERE AYUDAR A SU COMUNIDAD A CONSEGUIR PRUEBAS DEL VIH, PREP Y SERVICIOS DE SALUD CONDUCTUAL? AYÚDENOS A DESARROLLAR UN PROGRAMA!

solo una vez y virtual, y recibirá \$30!

BUSCAMOS MIEMBROS DE LA COMUNIDAD -COMO LISTED- PARA CONSEGUIR OPINIONES SOBRE NUESTRO PROGRAMA. COMPLETE ESTA BREVE ENCUESTA

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HIV UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA

A new project at UM that will focus on developing an outreach strategy to enhance Latino MSM's (men who have sex with men) access to PrEP, HIV testing, and behavioral health services. The focus of the project is on developing a program that will meet Latino MSM's needs while also being something highly usable within local organizations. This first phase will involve group interviewers with stakeholders and Latino MSM who could potentially receive this outreach program. The interviews will be 90 minutes long and take place on Zoom. Incentive of \$50 for participation.

FLORIDA COHORT

HELP US UNDERSTAND WHAT INFLUENCES YOUR HEALTH!

COMPLETE A SURVEY TODAY

LOCAL RESOURCES

[Click here](#) for Local Resources and links to other Prevention Resources

New! Optum Pharmacy

The only nationally certified pharmacy with a dedicated HIV account management team. Optum provides: American Academy of HIV Medicine (AAHIVP)-certified pharmacists; A specially trained clinical HIV team; Financial assistance specialists that will exhaust all efforts to get funding; Multilingual capabilities; Prior authorization and appeals team; Clinical management program and consistent patient follow up to promote optimal outcomes.

KNOW YOUR HIV STATUS

Empower U, Inc. At-Home HIV Testing – Test yourself and find out your HIV status at no cost to you and from the comfort of your home. Call 786-318-2337; [Click here](#) for the Empower U website.

Project Access Foundation HIV Testing

Know your Status! Get tested in the comfort of your own home. OraQuick rapid 20 minutes. Confidential. Safe. No blood. HIV Antibody test. Telemed with a counselor for more information and appointment. Pick up-drive thru-delivery Free HIV Home testing kits available.

