

June 11, 2021



Community Newsletter

HEADLINES

We're Getting Back to Normal! See you soon!

Beginning July 1, 2021, all Partnership, committee and subcommittee meetings will be held in person only.

Regular attendance requirements apply.

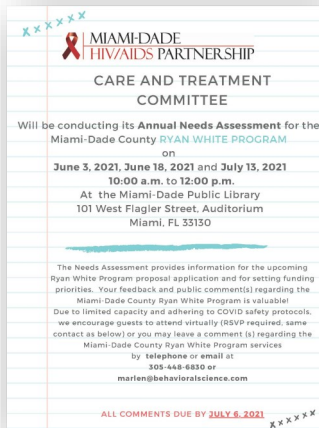
Stay up to date on meeting assignments: aidsnet.org/meeting-documents/.

We look forward to seeing you!



Annual Needs Assessment

Save the dates! June 18 and July 13



The Needs Assessment provides information for the upcoming Ryan White Program proposal application and for setting funding priorities.

Your feedback and public comments regarding the Miami-Dade County Ryan White Program is valuable!

Send comments to (305) 448-6830 or marlen@behavioralscience.com.

Scan the QR code to RSVP.



HRSA Honors 40 Years of Progress

It's Time to End the HIV Epidemic

On June 5, HRSA marked a momentous milestone in the HIV/AIDS community - HIV Long-Term Survivors Awareness Day and the 40th anniversary of when the first five cases of what later became known as AIDS were officially reported. On this day, our HIV/AIDS Bureau (HAB) honored the more than 32 million people who have died from AIDS-related illnesses globally, including 700,000 in the U.S., since the start of the HIV epidemic. [Click here](#) to learn more.

[Click here](#) to join the June 15 White House Office of National AIDS Policy webinar: *40 Years of Progress: It's Time to End the HIV Epidemic*.



Your Bi-Weekly Bulletin Board for News & Information in the Miami-Dade County HIV/AIDS Community

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MEETINGS

Partnership Members!

Please respond to meeting notices to ensure we can obtain quorum.

[Click here](#) for Partnership Meeting Documents and Monthly Reports

[Click here](#) for Clinical Quality Management Meeting documents

[Click here](#) for 2021 calendars.



SUPPORT GROUPS ON FACEBOOK FOR PEOPLE WITH HIV

Some groups are public and some are private. If you would like to share other online or in-person support groups, please Contact Us!

- ◆ Grupo De Apoyo Mutuo Mujeres Y Hombres Heterosexuales Con VIH SIDA
- ◆ Conviviendo con personas mayores de 50 años



ENDING THE HIV EPIDEMIC

[Click here](#) for details.

The Brothers & Sisters From Another Mother (B&S FAM) Workshop HIV Awareness & Outreach Program, created to engage community residents of all ages in a workshop setting and exchange basic knowledge of HIV, its transmission, and the magnitude of the HIV epidemic throughout our Miami-Dade neighborhoods today, while using a unique combination of evidence-based strategies.

WOMANS' CLUB OF COCONUT GROVE
B&S FAM Workshop : HIV Awareness & Outreach

The B&S FAM team of trained Peer Educators range in gender, race, country of origin, culture, life experience, faith, health and financial status. Our workshop sessions can be tailored for any group or schedule.

At top: Victor, Yan, Melissa, Traci, Anela, Francisco.
At bottom: Alexandra, Megan, Ewelina.

During a pandemic, everyone experiences trauma and we are (re-)learning everyone deserves to be treated with compassion and without judgment. We strive to end HIV-related stigma and, by educating our peers, become a culturally-sensitive and resilient community — one human family.

OUR PEER EDUCATORS :

- ★ Engage community residents
- ★ Any / All ages (family-friendly)
- ★ Provide training safe-spaces
- ★ Share creative art forms
- ★ Promote health safety
- ★ Give positive peer support
- ★ Use a combination of evidence-based strategies

PARTICIPANTS WILL :

- ☑ Earn their organization \$100
- ☑ Learn in a fun, interactive group setting
- ☑ Understand the HIV Epidemic in Miami-Dade
- ☑ Develop skills to cope with COVID-19
- ☑ Meet supportive, like-minded professionals
- ☑ Learn personal growth & overall wellness
- ☑ Be introduced to basic knowledge of HIV & other STDs

For more information or to book a FREE in-person or virtual workshop, contact Traci at traci@floridhealth.com or call 305-519-9510

HIV TESTING

Free HIV testing is widely available in Miami-Dade County and now you can even test at home! [Click here](#) for details.



Free at-home HIV testing for Miami-Dade County residents.

Order your free at-home HIV test kit. Test yourself and find out your HIV status at no cost to you and from the comfort of your home.



WEBINARS

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

TODAY! June 11: HIV Care and COVID Highlights

Speaker: Dr. Jayaweera – National AIDS Treatment Advocacy Project webinar

New! PrEPared to Support Women and Their Sexual Health

The series will explore the complexities behind PrEP and women of color, hearing directly from women who have used PrEP and their experience getting on PrEP, navigating the healthcare system and staying on PrEP, and hearing from sexual health clinics and health departments about PrEP implementation models that have been successful connecting women with PrEP.

New! June 17: Finding and Using the Best Data Sources to Support EHE Strategies

New! June 22: Webinar on Substance Use Disorder and Pregnancy

New! June 15: 40 Years of Progress: It's Time to End the HIV Epidemic Commemorative Dialogue

Join The White House Office of National AIDS Policy, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), and the U.S. Department of State for a conversation with senior federal officials and community leaders building on the 40th anniversary of HIV/AIDS and the United Nations High-Level meeting.

New! June 29: HAB You Heard Webinar

The June HAB You Heard webinar will highlight National HIV Testing Day and HIV Long-Term Survivors Awareness Day, and it will also feature new COVID-19 data and Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP) client-level data resources. **All RWHAP recipients and subrecipients, stakeholders, and federal staff are encouraged to participate in the webinar.**

New! South Florida AETC

- ◆ June 16: Webcast Wednesday: Innovations in HIV Care
- ◆ June 18: 18th Perinatal HIV Symposium
- ◆ June 22: MCM_LGBTQMSM Community: Trauma and Implications on Health by Tricia Phaup, LMSW and Mark Sellers, MSW
- ◆ June 22: Implementing Peer Support Services: Subject Matter Experts (SME)
- ◆ June 23: Webcast Wednesday: "Dashboard": Innovative Data Analysis (Best Practices from Medical Advocacy and Outreach
- ◆ June 24: Telehealth101: Privacy Concerns COVID-19

EVENTS

Click here for details on these and more upcoming live and virtual Events!

Don't Miss It! A Matter of Time Exhibit: Examining Forty Years of AIDS While Living through a Pandemic

Now through July 18, 2021 at the Coral Gables Museum. *Taking a multidisciplinary approach, the exhibition A Matter of Time... gathers information on the emergence and development of AIDS, forty years after the first reported case.* Contact [Jose Camino](#) for group tours. Visit the [Coral Gables Museum](#).

June 21 -July 21: Black Girls Design Camp

SOUL Sister's Leadership Collective. Four week Black Girls Design Camp for girls and TGNC youth ages 13-19 Applicants may apply at soulsistersleadership.org/BGDC21.

LOCAL COVID-19 VACCINATION SITES

Click here for details on locations, times and dates. Please contact the provider to confirm availability.

- ◆ Care Resource
- ◆ Care 4 U Community Health Center
- ◆ Empower U , Inc.
- ◆ Latinos Salud
- ◆ Miami Beach Community Health Center
- ◆ Miami-Dade County COVID-19 Community-Based Testing & Vaccination Sites

LGBTQ+

Click here for these and more local and national LGBTQ+ resources.



New! Justice for All – Celebrating Pride Month – LGBTQ Rights Project

Legal Services of Greater Miami proudly champions the rights of the LGBTQ+ Community. Through the LGBTQ Rights Project, we assist clients facing healthcare, housing, and workplace discrimination. Legal Services attorneys represent clients in obtaining name and gender marker changes that conform to their gender identity. . . When transgender and gender non-conforming individuals do not have access to these credentials, they are at an even greater risk for discriminatory barriers in every single aspect of their lives.

New! White House.gov
A Proclamation on Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer Pride Month, 2021

New! The Gran Varones Fellowship

A national initiative, launched in partnership with ViiV Healthcare to develop the leadership of a cohort of 5 **HIV-positive Gay, Queer, Bisexual, and Trans men and bois** ages 21-35 living with HIV who identify as Latinx or Black-Latinx based in the US. Throughout the fellowship, the cohort will be supported with resources to combat HIV stigma and promote family acceptance in Latinx communities through digital storytelling, community building, and cultural organizing. . .

HOUSING

Click here for Local Housing News and Resources.

NEED A HELPING HAND? PREVENT EVICTION, FORECLOSURE, OR WATER/LIGHT SHUTOFF

HOUSING ASSISTANCE FOR TRANS PEOPLE LIVING WITH HIV/AIDS IN MIAMI-DADE



APPLY FOR SHORT-TERM FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE WITH RENT AND/OR UTILITIES HERE:
bit.ly/strmuapplication

For more information or to request support with completing an application, contact:

FRANCIA ALCALA
786-535-4372
FALCALA@HEALTHCOUNCIL.ORG


PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:

- TRANS-IDENTIFIED
- LIVING WITH HIV
- HAVE A MORTGAGE, A LEASE, OR BE NAMED ON A LEASE
- HAVE A UTILITY BILL OR BE PAYING FOR UTILITIES OF REQUESTING UTILITY SUPPORT)

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TARGETED RAPID RE-HOUSING ASSISTANCE FOR PEOPLE LIVING WITH HIV/AIDS IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY



Who are also one or more of the following:

- Pregnant
- 18-24 years old
- Transgender
- People with OUD who inject

About the Program:

Rapid Rehousing (RRH) assistance is available to homeless/unstably housed* low-income persons living with HIV. Includes placement assistance (covers costs, fees, deposits), up to 12 months rental assistance, and support from a Housing Specialist.

*must meet certain conditions to be considered homeless or unstably housed

For a paper application or for assistance, contact:
Francia Alcala,
HCSF Housing Coordinator
(786) 535-4372
falcala@healthcouncil.org

Apply online at:
bit.ly/healthcouncilrrh

NEED SUPPORT WITH RENT OR UTILITIES? PREVENT EVICTION, WATER/LIGHT SHUTOFF

HOUSING ASSISTANCE FOR YOUTH LIVING WITH HIV/AIDS IN MIAMI-DADE



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Program Requirements:

- Youth (18-24)
- Living with HIV
- Have a lease, or be named on a lease
- Have a utility bill or be paying for utilities (if requesting utility support)

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JOBS

[Click here](#) for details.

For updates or additions to these listings, please contact hiv-aidsinfo@behavioralscience.com.

New! Legal Services of Greater Miami - Income Equality Justice Project

Have your wages or bank account been garnished? Did your employer withhold wages out of your paycheck? Is your bank withholding some of your money? Have you lost access to your bank account? You could be eligible for FREE legal assistance!

New! Latinos Salud

- ♦ Ryan White Case Manager/Peer Navigator
- ♦ Ryan White Case Manager, Miami
- ♦ Wellness Navigator - Miami-Dade

New! Pridelines, Director of Development



Additional Opportunities

Work with one of these featured Ryan White Program providers!

- ♦ AIDS Healthcare Foundation
- ♦ CAN Community Health
- ♦ Care 4 U CHC
- ♦ Care Resource
- ♦ Empower U, Inc.
- ♦ Jessie Trice Community Health System
- ♦ New Hope CORPS
- ♦ UM - UHealth

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SURVEYS & STUDIES

Many studies include financial compensation.

[Click here](#) for details on eligibility, study requirements, and compensation for these and additional studies and surveys.

CLOSES SOON!

HealthHCV State of HCV Care National Survey

To inform the state of hepatitis C (HCV) in specialty and primary care. *Who Should Take the Survey?* All current providers of HCV prevention, care, and treatment. Please share with your colleagues as you see fit. Closes June 18, 2021.

New! Behavioral Science Research Corp. Paid Research Survey!

What services do you get from your medical care providers?

Confidential telephone interview. Takes less than 30 minutes!

Schedule at your convenience! Get Paid – Earn a \$50 Walmart gift card for you complete Survey!

New! Research Program: All of Us at the University of Miami

All Of Us is a research program from the National Institutes of Health (NIH). It is seeking one million or more people from across the U.S. By doing so, it hopes to one day help speed up medical research. People who join will share information about their health, habits, and where they live.

Mindfulness to Quit Smoking

¿Ha sido diagnosticado con VIH y fuma actualmente? ¡Necesitamos su opinión!

Are you diagnosed with HIV and currently smoke cigarettes? We need your opinion!

New! Janssen Virtual Engagement Research Community (VERC) – Vaccines

The goal of the Community is to gain insights into people's opinions and information needs on vaccine-related topics and see how attitudes and behaviors towards vaccines may change over time. Community members will engage in periodic events intended to generate discussion such as quick polls, focus groups, and surveys.

LaGrippe Research project on the topic of HIV

The WHIMS Study - Women, HIV, Immunology, Microbiome, and Sexual Health

The Study of Treatment and Reproductive Outcomes (STAR Study)

BREATH Lab at the University of Miami