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# Community Newsletter

## HEADLINES

### Housing Resources

#### Rental and Utilities Assistance

[Click here](#) for details.

- ◆ Consumer Financial Protection Bureau - Find help with rent and utilities.
- ◆ US Department of the Treasury - Emergency Rental Assistance Program.
- ◆ Health Council of South Florida (HCSF) - Housing opportunities for individuals in our community who are HIV/AIDS diagnosed.
  - ◆ HCSF Rapid Re-Housing (RRH)
  - ◆ Short-Term Rental, Mortgage, and Utility Assistance from Housing Opportunities for persons with AIDS (HOPWA)

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

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

APPLY FOR SHORT-TERM FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE WITH RENT AND/OR UTILITIES HERE: [bit.ly/strmuapplication](http://bit.ly/strmuapplication)

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

FRANCIA ALCALA  
786-555-4572  
FALCALA@HEALTHCOUNCIL.ORG

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:

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

HCSF

### HHS Announces National Challenge to Reduce HIV-Related Stigma and Disparities

**Submissions accepted through September 23, 2021.**

The U.S. Department of Health & Human Services is seeking innovative and effective approaches to increase the use of pre-exposure prophylaxis medication (PrEP) and antiretroviral therapy (ART) among people who are at increased risk for HIV or are people with HIV. The HIV Challenge is open to the public, and HHS will award a total of \$760,000 to 15 winners over 3 phases. [Click here](#) for details.

### CDC Releases Updated STI Treatment Guidelines

#### Chlamydia, Gonorrhea & Syphilis Cases Increasing

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) released the 2021 Sexually Transmitted Infection (STI) Treatment Guidelines. The guidelines provide current evidence-based diagnostic, management, and treatment recommendations and replace the previous 2015 guidance, including: Recommendations for Providing Quality STD Clinical Services (STD QCS), and updated wall charts and pocket guides. [Click here](#) for details.

*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 or scan the QR Code.



## PrEP, PEP, nPEP

[Click here](#) to learn more!

### PrEP Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis

A comprehensive HIV prevention strategy that involves the daily use of antiretroviral medications to reduce the risk of HIV infection in HIV-negative individuals.

### PEP Post-Exposure Prophylaxis

Taking antiretroviral medicines (ART) after being potentially exposed to HIV to prevent becoming infected.

### nPEP Non-occupational Post-Exposure Prophylaxis

Short-term treatment started as soon as possible after high-risk non-occupational exposure to an infectious agent, such as HIV, hepatitis B virus (HBV), or hepatitis C virus (HCV).

### COVID-19 PrEP Access Updates

- ◆ HHS Implements Override Request
- ◆ Ready, Set, PrEP Expands\*
- ◆ Prior Authorization, Regional Disparities\*
- ◆ PrEP During COVID-19 (HIV.gov)\* The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) understands that its partners in HIV prevention are facing unprecedented challenges and demands as we continue to battle the COVID-19 pandemic together. CDC has developed guidance for providing PrEP when facility-based services and in-person patient-clinician contact is limited.

## SURVEYS & STUDIES

Many studies include financial compensation.

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

### New! Mosaico

A large study that will try to prove whether the experimental vaccine regimen can prevent HIV infection in North America, Latin America, and Europe. To do this, the study will enroll cisgender men and transgender people who have sex with cisgender men and/or transgender people. From Janssen Vaccines & Prevention

### Paid Studies at Behavioral Science Research Corp.

- ◆ Patient-Centered Care Study for Men
- ◆ Estudio del cuidado del paciente para hombres
- ◆ Pasyan ki santre sou Swen Etid pou Gason
- ◆ Women-Centered Care
- ◆ Estudio del Cuidado para Mujeres
- ◆ Swen fanm ki santre

### 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 what it's like where they live. By looking for patterns, researchers may learn more about what affects people's health.

**BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE RESEARCH**

Two Paid Research Opportunities!  
Patient-Centered Care Study for Men  
Women-Centered Care

Receive your \$50 Walmart gift card today!

Confidential telephone interview. Takes less than 30 minutes!

Call the BSR Study Hotline:

- (305) 448-7623 - English
- (305) 448-7623 - Spanish
- (305) 448-0907 - Creole

Phone interview for HIV Study about the medical care you receive in Miami. \$50 for your opinion. Call Mosaico at 305-448-7623 today. (txt STOP to cancel)

You may receive a text message regarding the study if you agreed to be contacted by BSR for research purposes during your Ryan White Program assessment.

**BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE RESEARCH**

Dos oportunidades de estudios pagados!  
Estudio del cuidado del paciente para hombres  
Estudio del Cuidado para Mujeres

Recibe tu ¡Tarjeta de regalo de \$50 de Walmart!

Entrevista telefónica confidencial ¡Tarda menos de 30 minutos!

¡Llame a la línea directa de estudios de BSR!

- (305) 448-7623 - Spanish
- (305) 448-7623 - English
- (305) 448-0907 - Creole

Entrevista telefónica para estudio de HIV sobre la atención médica que recibes, \$50 por tu opinión. Llámanos hoy 305-448-7623 a Mosaico. (txt STOP to cancel)

Puede ser que recibas este mensaje de texto acerca del estudio si durante tu evaluación de elegibilidad para el Programa de Ryan White aceptaste ser contactado por BSR.

**BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE RESEARCH**

De Opòtinite Rechèch Peyè!  
Pasyan ki santre sou Swen Etid pou Gason  
Swen fanm ki santre

Yap banou \$50 kado pou Walmart!

Intèvwio konfidansyèl pa telefòn. Sa ap pran mwens ke 30 minit!

Relé BSR pou etid la nan nimewo:

- (305) 448-0907 - Kréyòl
- (305) 448-7623 - Anglè
- (305) 448-7623 - Espanyòl

Intèvwio pa telefòn pou etid ki \$50 ap li pou sèvis medikal nou rechèch nan Miami. Yap banou \$50 pou respòs nou. Relé Peyèl jodi nan (305) 448-0907. (Tx STOP pou sipan rechèch mèdi)

Nou ka rechèch von mesaj pa tèt si nou te dako pou BSR konstatè nou pou sa ki rechèch pandan nou tap fè answan anèk case manaje nou pou Ryan White.

## EVENTS

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

### Back to School Events!

- ◆ **TODAY!** August 6: Vax and Backpacks at Care 4 U
- ◆ August 7 and August 21: Empower U Back to School Clinic: Immunizations, school physicals, COVID vaccines and more!
- ◆ August 14: Backpacks and School Supplies (Miramar, FL)



### New! September 21–22: SYNChronicity (SYNC 2021) The National HIV, HCV, STI and LGBTQ Health Conference

SYNChronicity (SYNC 2021) is a distinct, national conference which aligns participants with the changing and dynamic health care landscape to better address HIV, HCV, STI, and LGBTQ health, with a focus on underserved racial/ethnic minorities and LGBTQ communities.

- ◆ SYNC 2021 is accepting abstract submissions for Posters only.

### New! October 22-24: Ujima Men's Conference (Ft. Lauderdale)

Mission Statement: To grow a collective of Black same gender loving men who will educate, inform, encourage, and advocate for themselves and the greater community.

### New! October 28-31: 2021 United States Conference on HIV/AIDS!

Registration, exhibit booth reservation, abstract and scholarship submission. "The 2021 United States Conference on HIV/AIDS is coming October 28-31! Based on the upward trend in COVID vaccinations and decreasing levels of infection, we will be meeting in-person at the Marriott Marquis Hotel in Washington, DC. We hope you will join us and many of your colleagues as we reconvene to continue the fight against HIV."

### New! National HIV/AIDS Awareness Days



August 29:  
National Faith  
HIV/AIDS  
Awareness Day  
#NFHAAD

September 18:  
National HIV/  
AIDS and Aging  
Awareness Day  
#HIVandAging



September 27:  
National Gay  
Men's HIV/AIDS  
Awareness Day  
#NGMHAAD



## JOBS

[Click here](#) for details.

### Care 4 U Community Health Center

- ◆ HIV-Positive Peer Navigator

### New! Care Resource Jobs Portal

Many open positions in these categories:

- ◆ Administration
- ◆ Behavioral Health Services
- ◆ Dental
- ◆ Grants & Development
- ◆ Health Promotion
- ◆ Information Services
- ◆ Marketing
- ◆ Medical
- ◆ Quality Assurance
- ◆ Social Services

### New! Borinquen Medical Centers Jobs Portal

- ◆ Physician
- ◆ Medical Director of Specialty
- ◆ Immunization Nurse
- ◆ Patient Care Specialist
- ◆ Assistant Manager
- ◆ Administrative Assistant
- ◆ Managed Care Manager
- ◆ Dental Assistant
- ◆ Phlebotomist
- ◆ OBGYN Physician

### New! Empower U, Inc. Career Center

- ◆ Care Coordinator
- ◆ Medical Front Office Super.
- ◆ Referral Coordinator
- ◆ Vaccine Hesitancy Coach
- ◆ Staff Accountant
- ◆ Pediatrician
- ◆ Medical Assistant
- ◆ Lic. Mental Health Counselor
- ◆ LCSW
- ◆ COVID-19 Customer Service

### New! Broward County Board of County Commissioners

- ◆ Human Services Admin.

For updates or additions to Community Newsletter listings, please contact [hiv-aidsinfo@behavioralscience.com](mailto:hiv-aidsinfo@behavioralscience.com).



## JOIN THE PARTNERSHIP

### Do You Qualify for Membership?

If you answer “Yes” to these questions, you could qualify for membership!

- ◆ Are you a resident of Miami-Dade County?
- ◆ Are you a registered voter in Miami-Dade County?  
*Note: Some seats for people with HIV are exempt from this requirement.*
- ◆ Can you volunteer three to five hours per month for Partnership activities?

### Opportunities for People with HIV - Become an official Representative of the Affected Community!

If you are HIV positive and receive one or more Ryan White Program Part A service, you may be eligible!



### Additional Vacancies

- ◆ Rep. Co-infected with Hepatitis B or C
- ◆ Former Inmate of Local, State, or Federal Prison
- ◆ Hospital or Health Care Planning Agency Representative
- ◆ Federally Recognized Indian Tribe Representative
- ◆ Mental Health Provider Representative
- ◆ Miami-Dade County Public Schools Representative
- ◆ Non-Elected Community Leader, not an HIV Provider

## WEBINARS

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

### **New! Apply by August 15: Black AIDS Institute Re-Launches Black Leadership Program To Strengthen The HIV Workforce, End The Epidemic**

- ◆ The Science and Treatment College (STC) is an African American HIV University (AAHU) training and leadership development program that focuses on HIV and its relationship to human biology, virology, and epidemiology.
- ◆ The Community Mobilization College (CMC) is an African American HIV University (AAHU) training and leadership development program that focuses on building grassroots skills to engage key stakeholders and communities in initiatives to combat HIV/AIDS.

**New! August 17: Invitation to Planning Councils to Participate on a Call with the CAEAR Coalition and HRSA** Key HRSA programs and initiatives. Participants will have time for Q&A.

### **New! August 17: Overview of The Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part A Planning Council Cycle**

For RWHAP Part A planning council members/staff to become familiar with the planning cycle and to identify approaches to collaborations that contribute to effectively planning the system of care for people with HIV.

### **New! August 18: Next HAB You Heard Webinar**

All RWHAP recipients and subrecipients, stakeholders, and federal staff are encouraged to participate, and attendees are asked to register in advance.

### **September 9: HRSA’s Ending the HIV Epidemic Community Member Virtual Listening Sessions**

Southeast (Region 4) September 9, 11:00 am – 12:30 pm ET

### **September 3: Registration Deadline for “ESCALATE”**

Ending Stigma through Collaboration And Lifting All To Empowerment trains and empowers participants to recognize and address HIV stigma across the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP).

### **New! South Florida AETC**

- ◆ August 11: Webcast Wednesday: HIV & Aging
- ◆ August 12: Prevention of Perinatal HIV Transmission: Series Part I: HIV and Pregnancy
- ◆ August 18: Webcast Wednesday: Substance Use Disorder in People with HIV
- ◆ August 18: Cultural Competency Series Part 1: Trauma Informed Care
- ◆ August 19: MCM Ethics & Boundaries and Cultural Competency
- ◆ August 19: The PrEP Continuum for Cis-gender Women: Barriers and Potential Ways Forward
- ◆ August 20: Opioids, Substance Use and Needle Sharing (Low T, Silicone Pump Parties) . . .

