

November 19, 2021



# Community Newsletter

## HEADLINES

### World AIDS Day

December 1, 2021 #WorldAIDSDay

The Florida Department of Health World AIDS Day calendar is out and full of virtual and live events! [Click here](#) for local WAD happenings, including . . .



- ◆ December 1: World AIDS Day Inaugural Bike Ride
- ◆ December 1: Project Access Foundation WAD Event at La Nueva Banana.
- ◆ December 1: Alliance Chicago and Health Choice Network WAD Webinar Focus on PrEP and equitable access to HIV services
- ◆ December 1: HRSA Virtual Event World AIDS Day – Ending the HIV Epidemic: Equitable Access, Everyone’s Voice
- ◆ December 2: PrEP Fiesta with Fantasia Royale Gaga, presented by Rapid Access Wellness (RAW)
- ◆ December 3: Shades of Red – World AIDS Day Awareness Runway Show, presented by Pridelines
- ◆ December 4: World AIDS Day Ball (Dania Beach), presented by The McKenzie Project, Inc. and Florida Mother Sah’meriah Ebony
- ◆ December 6: Film Screening: All Boys Aren’t Blue, presented by The Black Leadership AISD Crisis Coalition and AIDS Healthcare Foundation

### Transgender Day of Remembrance

November 20, 2021

Transgender Day of Remembrance (TDOR) is an annual observance on November 20 that honors the memory of the transgender people whose lives were lost in acts of anti-transgender violence.

[Click here](#) for the GLAAD TDOR website.

[Click here](#) for the November 19 TDOR event. →

### Telemedicine & PrEP

DHHS/CDC Grant

Implementation Research on Telehealth Strategies to Support Retention in Care and Treatment among Antiretroviral Therapy Patients and Pre-exposure Prophylaxis Clients. [Click here](#) for details.



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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

Scan the QR Code to RSVP!



**Transgender Clients:  
HRSA's Ryan White HIV/  
AIDS Program (RWHAP),  
2019 Population  
Fact Sheet June 2021**

Of the more than half a million clients served by RWHAP, 2.3 percent are transgender, representing approximately 12,800 clients. Below are more details about this RWHAP client population:

The majority of transgender clients served by RWHAP are a diverse population. *Among transgender clients served, 87.0 percent are from racial/ethnic minority populations. . .*

The majority of transgender clients served by RWHAP are low income. *Among transgender RWHAP clients served, 74.1 percent live at or below 100 percent of the federal poverty level, which is substantially higher than the national RWHAP average (60.7 percent).*

Data show that 10.9 percent of transgender RWHAP clients have unstable housing. *This percentage is substantially higher than the national RWHAP average (5.5 percent).*

The transgender client population is younger than the average for RWHAP clients. *Approximately 27.4 percent of RWHAP transgender clients are aged 50 years and older, which is substantially lower than the national RWHAP average (46.8 percent).*

[Click here for the printable fact sheet.](#)



**EVENTS**

[Click here](#) for details on these and more upcoming Events!  
*RSVP is required for most events.*

**FEATURED! November 29:  
Community Coalition  
Roundtable Luncheon**

Featuring presentation: Language Matters When Ending the Epidemic: Redefining the New Norms, presented by Community Coalition and Positive People Network, Inc. Members. RSVP: [hiv-aidsinfo@behavioralscience.com](mailto:hiv-aidsinfo@behavioralscience.com)

MIAMI-DADE HIV/AIDS PARTNERSHIP  
COMMUNITY COALITION  
**Roundtable Luncheon**  
November 29, 2021 ~ 12 PM-2 PM  
**Language Matters When Ending the Epidemic: Redefining the New Norms**  
Presented by Community Coalition and Positive People Network, Inc. Members  
Please join us and get to know the Community Coalition: The HIV Community who speaks for the HIV Community!  
Behavioral Science Research  
2121 Ponce de Leon Blvd., Suite 240  
Coral Gables, FL 33134 and via Zoom  
RSVP Required: [hiv-aidsinfo@behavioralscience.com](mailto:hiv-aidsinfo@behavioralscience.com) (305) 445-1076

**New! See Page 1 for World AIDS Day events**

**Positive People Network  
Christmas Sign Up Form 2021**  
Christmas toy drive request.

**New! November 23: Drive-thru  
Turkey and Dessert Drive for  
District 8 Residents**

Commissioner Danielle Cohen Higgins will be hosting District 8's Drive-thru Turkey and Dessert Drive for District 8 Residents at Peterson's Harley Davidson.

**New! November 13-23: Turkey Drive**

Various Locations throughout South Dade. Commissioner Kionne McGhee in participation with Miami-Dade Police Department and Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces.

**New! November 20: Food and Turkey Basket Giveaway in North Miami**

**New! November 23: Drive-thru  
Turkey and Dessert Drive for  
District 8 Residents**

Commissioner Danielle Cohen Higgins will be hosting District 8's Drive-thru Turkey and Dessert Drive for District 8 Residents on Tuesday, November 23rd from 10AM to 1PM at Peterson's Harley Davidson: 19825 S Dixie Hwy, Cutler Bay, FL 33157. Must Pre-Register by emailing: [district8@miamidade.gov](mailto:district8@miamidade.gov) or calling (305) 378-6677.

**DISTRIBUCIÓN DE PAVO PARA DISTRITO 8**  
PAVO Y POSTRES PARA LOS RESIDENTES DEL DISTRITO 8  
NOVIEMBRE 23 / 10AM - 1PM  
PETERSON'S HARLEY DAVIDSON  
19825 S DIXIE HWY  
CUTLER BAY, FL 33157  
DEBE PREINSCRIBIRSE CON NUESTRA OFICINA ENVIANDO UN CORREO ELECTRÓNICO A [DISTRICT8@MIAMIDADE.GOV](mailto:district8@miamidade.gov) O LLAMANDO 305-378-6677  
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COMMISSIONER DANIELLE COHEN HIGGINS  
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, DISTRICT 8  
Publix  
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY FOOD RELIEF PROGRAM

**New! December 2-3: 2021  
United States Conference on  
HIV/AIDS!**

USCHA 2021 IS NOW VIRTUAL!  
#2021USCHA

## WEBINARS & TRAINING

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

### Center for Quality Improvement & Innovation (CQII) four-part Technical Assistance (TA) Call series: Choosing an Improvement Project

CQII is expanding this important topic into a four-part series that will assist Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program grant recipients in understanding their data, learning how to use the Model for Improvement, and conducting PDSA cycles.

- ◆ Part 4: November 24: Conducting PDSA Cycle

### New! South Florida AETC

- ◆ November 18: INSTI Rapid HIV Testing
- ◆ November 19: Ending the HIV Epidemic in Area 4: Part 2 Taking Action with Special Populations
- ◆ November 19: Talking HCV Elimination – Alice Thornton, MD and James A. Grubbs, MD
- ◆ November 23: Care of Gender non-Conforming Patients
- ◆ November 30: Chembio Rapid HIV/Syphilis Combination Testing

### New! December 1-3: Anti-Retroviral Treatment and Access to Services (ARTAS) Training

This training is intended for individuals who will be responsible for conducting the ARTAS sessions with clients, (i.e., Linkage Coordinator). Ideally, participants should include experienced case managers, social workers, and/or HIV test counselors.

### New! December 7: Prevention Access Campaign (PAC)

is sponsoring a, Undetectable equals Untransmittable (U=U) educational webinar to support the implementation of U=U in Florida.

### New! December 9: Building Partnerships for Data Sharing to Support EHE Plans

This on-line TA event is the latest in a series for EHE jurisdictions on identifying the best performance measures and data sources (including Medicaid, HIV surveillance, and HOPWA data) to advance your EHE work plan. This webinar is intended for EHE jurisdictions, including your partners and subrecipients, and is specifically designed for data managers and analysts.

Representatives from HIV surveillance and Medicaid programs are also welcome to attend.

### New! January 19-21: Anti-Retroviral Treatment and Access to Services (ARTAS)

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Tools for HRSA's Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program - Recent Webinar Archives



## Partnership and Committee Members!

Stay up to date on meeting prep with [AIDSNET.org](https://AIDSNET.org)  
[aidsnet.org/meeting-documents/](https://aidsnet.org/meeting-documents/)

### Find everything you need to be prepared for your next meeting!

- ◆ Agendas
- ◆ Minutes
- ◆ Presentations
- ◆ Calendar of Meetings
- ◆ Draft Reports
- ◆ Request to Participate by Communication Media Technology forms

### Keep up with local data: Monthly Reports

- ◆ Partnership Report to Committees
- ◆ Vacancy Report
- ◆ Expenditures: Ryan White Program Part A / Minority AIDS Initiative (MAI)
- ◆ Clients Served and Service Units Ryan White Program Part A / MAI
- ◆ AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP)
- ◆ Ryan White Program Part B
- ◆ General Revenue

### Promote Membership!

**MIAMI-DADE HIV/AIDS PARTNERSHIP**  
**Membership Report**  
November 11, 2021

The Miami-Dade HIV/AIDS Partnership  
The official Ryan White Program Planning Council in Miami-Dade County and Advisory Board for HIV/AIDS to the Miami-Dade County Mayor and Board of County Commissioners

**Opportunities for People with HIV**  
People with HIV who receive one or more Ryan White Program Part A services and who are not affiliated or employed by a Ryan White Program Part A funded service provider are invited to join the Partnership as a Representative of the Affected Community.  
9 available seats / 1 application pending approval

**General Membership Opportunities**  
These Partnership positions are open to people with HIV, service providers, and community stakeholders who have reputation of integrity and community service, and possess the knowledge, skills and expertise relevant to these positions:  
Former Inmate of Local, State, or Federal Prison Representative / application pending approval  
Representative Co-infected with Hepatitis B or C  
Hospital or Health Care Planning Agency Representative  
Other Federal HIV Program Grantee Representative (SAMHSA)  
Federally Recognized Indian Tribe Representative  
Mental Health Provider Representative  
Miami-Dade County Public Schools Representative  
Non-Elected Community Leader, not an HIV Provider

**Partnership Committees**  
Committees are accepting applications for new members. People with HIV are encouraged to apply.

Committee and Subcommittee Members, Applicants & Vacancies	Members	Applicants	Vacancies
Community Coalition	20	10	10
Marketing	10	5	5
Care and Treatment	10	5	5
Medical Care SC	10	5	5
Prevention	10	5	5
Strategic Planning	10	5	5

20 Seats available per Committee/ Subcommittee  
10 Vacancies - Applicants - 10 Vacancies

Scan QR code to view the full report and application information.

## HOUSING

[Click here](#) for details

### **New! Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Part A Bed Availability**

Catholic Charities St. Luke's Center, subcontractor for Part A services through Miami Beach Community Health Center, had 4 beds available as of November 10. Please contact Sandra Valdes, [svaldes@ccadm.org](mailto:svaldes@ccadm.org) for details and updates on availability.

### **HOPE, Inc. Fall Newsletter**

Housing Opportunities Project for Excellence quarterly Newsletter.

### **Emergency Resources**

- ◆ Our Florida – Rental and Utility Assistance
- ◆ Temporary Protection from Eviction (CDC.gov)
- ◆ Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (Help with rent & utilities.)

[Click these flyers for details in English and Spanish](#) ↓

#### **Are you living with HIV and are at risk of losing your current housing?**

##### **Short-Term Rental, Mortgage & Utilities Program\* (STRMU)**

is designed for persons living with HIV. The program provides with multiple weeks of short-term rental, mortgage and/or utility assistance to help those who are currently housed low income HIV+ individuals, stay housed.

###### Who is Eligible?

HIV individuals  
Annual total income cannot exceed  
\$12,000 (or more for those with  
2021 HUD guidelines)  
You must currently live in rental  
housing in Miami-Dade and be  
located in a household with a  
household size of 1-3 persons  
Legal status required

###### Assistance Available?

Short-term rental, utility fees,  
mortgage, mortgage payments, late  
fees, back rent, etc.  
Must be a resident of Miami-Dade  
County  
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County

To apply, call Care Resource  
at 305.576.1234

#### **Are you living with HIV and looking to move?**

##### **Permanent Housing Placement (PHP)**

is designed for persons living with HIV and provides assistance with your first months rent and security deposit on your new place.

###### Who is Eligible?

HIV individuals  
Proof of steady income to  
cover your future  
monthly expenses  
Must be a resident of Miami-Dade  
County  
Legal status required

###### Benefits Available?

The first months rent and  
security deposit, which can not  
be higher than the monthly  
rental cost  
\$1000 deposit for the account  
activation (not for over due  
amount)

To apply, call Care Resource  
at 305.576.1234 Ext 129, Ext 463, Ext 493, Ext 311

## SURVEYS & STUDIES

Many studies include financial compensation.

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

### **New! University of Miami, Miller School of Medicine Study**

- ◆ Are you diagnosed with HIV and currently smoke cigarettes? We need your opinion! Help us by answering questions to evaluate several interventions to help HIV patient quit smoking.
- ◆ ¿Ha sido diagnosticado con VIH y fuma actualmente? ¡Necesitamos su opinión! Ayúdenos respondiendo preguntas para evaluar diferentes tratamientos para ayudar a personas que tienen VIH a dejar de fumar.

### **LaGrippe Research Study**

*We are currently inviting individuals that are HIV+ to participate in our online survey.* Must live in the USA to participate. We would like to speak to a mix of people who have:

- ◆ Never taken medicine to treat HIV+;
  - ◆ Have taken medicine for HIV+ in past but is no longer taking;
  - ◆ Those who recently started taking medicine for their HIV+.
- 35-minute online survey, and those that qualify and participate will receive a compensation of \$75.

### **MOVE-AHEAD – Merck Clinical Study**

This clinical trial (called MOVE-AHEAD) looks at a possible treatment to prevent the spread of the virus that causes COVID-19 within households.

Get the Word Out with  
**Community Newsletter!**



The Partnership's Community Newsletter reaches more than 2,000 community members.

[Click here to learn how you can Get the Word Out!](#)

## JOBS & VOLUNTEERING

[Click here](#) for details on these and many more local and national opportunities.

### **New! Positive People Network Social Media Manager**

Seeking a self-driven, part-time Social Media Manager for 10 months (November 2021 through August 2022). Minimum Time Requirement: 2.5 hours per week.

### **New! Florida Department of Health (Miami)**

- ◆ Senior Health Educator – Prevention With Positives Coordinator
- ◆ Senior Health Educator
- ◆ OPS Nutrition Educator
- ◆ OPS Administrative Assistant I
- ◆ Senior Community Health Nurse
- ◆ Community Health Nursing Supervisor
- ◆ Environmental Specialist II
- ◆ Family Support Worker
- ◆ Health Services Representative

### **New! HealthHIV Senior Coordinator of HIV Prevention Education**

To support HealthHIV's National HIV E-learning Training Center to provide online education and training for state and local health departments, community-based organizations, health centers, and other health service organizations providing HIV prevention and care services.

## GRANTS

[Click here](#) for these and many more funding opportunities

### **New! Transgender Status-Neutral Community-to-Clinic Models to End the HIV Epidemic**

Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Disease Control – NCHHSTP Grant. In the proposed demonstration project, TG clinics and TG CBOs will work collaboratively to develop holistic models to provide health care and well-being services for Transgender (TG) men and women that include co-located HIV prevention and care, gender-affirming services including hormone therapy and other procedures, STI testing, hepatitis testing, preventive health care, and chronic disease care, and to ensure access to mental health and substance use disorder services and social support services. . . Estimated Application Due Date: Dec 30, 2021

### **New! HRSA Funding Opportunities: Improving Health Outcomes for People Aging with HIV**

- ◆ Emerging Strategies to Improve Health Outcomes for People Aging with HIV: Capacity Building Provider
- ◆ Emerging Strategies to Improve Health Outcomes for People Aging with HIV: Demonstration Sites
- ◆ Emerging Strategies to Improve Health Outcomes for People Aging with HIV: Evaluation Provider



**New! Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP) Access, Care, and Engagement Technical Assistance Center (ACE TA Center)** HRSA HAB released the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the three-year Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP) Access, Care, and Engagement Technical Assistance Center (ACE TA Center) cooperative agreement (HRSA-22-024). The ACE TA Center builds the capacity of the RWHAP community to navigate the changing health care landscape and help people with HIV to access and use their health coverage to improve health outcomes. Applications are due by January 21, 2022.

#### **More Grants!**

- ◆ Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration, Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Access, Care, and Engagement Technical Assistance Center
- ◆ Understanding HIV/STD Risk and Enhancing PrEP Implementation Messaging in a Diverse Community-Based Sample of Gay, Bisexual, and Other Men Who Have Sex with Men in a Transformational Era
- ◆ HRSA Funding Opportunity for Rural Communities Opioid Response Program Implementation
- ◆ Comprehensive High-Impact HIV Prevention Programs for Young Men of Color Who Have Sex with Men and Young Transgender Persons of Color

## SUPPORT GROUPS & GROUP ACTIVITIES

[Click here](#) for details on these local virtual and live groups. *RSVP required for some groups.*



### **Survivors' Pathway**

- ◆ Support Group for victims/survivors of domestic and sexual violence in Spanish. This group takes place the second Thursday of every month.
- ◆ Support Group for LGBTQI community in Spanish. This group takes place the third Thursday of every month.
- ◆ Support group for the Latino transgender community in Spanish. This group takes place the last Thursday of every month.

### **Flashlight of Hope**

Bereavement Support Group. Every 3rd Thursday of the Month, 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM at Arcola Lakes Public Library.

### **Other Listings**

- ◆ Facebook Groups
- ◆ Borinquen Health Care Center
- ◆ Pridelines
- ◆ The Village South