

Miami Speakers' Bureau

Bringing together individuals with HIV to use their voice as a tool to end stigma in our communities

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Introduction

The Miami Speakers' Bureau aims to create role model stories based on personal accounts from individuals in our community. These stories will be used to educate peers on evidence-based HIV and STI treatment, adherence, and prevention.



To increase treatment and adherence of HIV medications and erase stigma through education





Objectives

- Use speakers' lived experiences to develop a streamlined narrative
- Voice personal narrative to peers and community members
- Educate community with evidence-based facts, normalizing conversations about HIV and STDs, and prevention
- Encourage audience to continue with regular testing, treatment and prevention methods

March Meeting

- First meeting held at Pridelines on March 15th, 2023
- 8 attendees
- Reviewed the impact of personal stories and examples
- Set goals for completion of Role Model Stories and practice



"It only takes one voice, at the right pitch, to start an avalanche."