Borinquen Medical Centers

Minority AIDS Initiative (MAI) Project—Integration of Primary Care and Mental Health Services

MAI Definition:

- Patient must be HIV positive
- Identify as a man who has sex with men (MSM) Black or Hispanic
- Heterosexual Black male and female

Purpose:

Patients with HIV have a higher likelihood of mental health comorbidity. At Borinquen Medical Centers, patients have access to a service that promotes opportunity to care, decreases stigma when needing specialty care, and improves outcomes by delivering a comprehensive health approach. Tom Schlepko, a dually certified advanced registered nurse practitioner, joined the Borinquen team in March 2021. Tom can provide primary care and mental health services to patients with HIV at the same visit, working to ensure patients receive the medical attention they may have historically declined or not had access to.

MAI Baseline (Data as of June 29, 2021)

MSM Hispanic	262	
MSM Black	44	
Black Female	84	
Black non MSM Male	74	

MAI Patients who had visit with Tom Schlepko

MAI Group	Visit count by group	Number of Mental Health Visits	Number of patients with VL
			suppression
MSM Hispanic	50	3	37
MSM Black	13	1	10
Black Female	9	0	5
Black non MSM Male	11	1	6
Baseline	16.6%	6.0%	69.9%
Goal	-	20%	90%