Special Projects of National Significance

The Health Resources and Service Administration’s (HRSA) Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP) Special Projects of National Significance (SPNS) Program provides both clinical and supportive services to more than 9,000 individuals living with HIV by improving patient engagement, increasing retention in care, and achieving HIV viral suppression.

The HRSA SPNS Program provides opportunities for the development, implementation, and assessment of system, community, and individual-level innovations designed to meet the National Goals to End the HIV Epidemic and address the demands of changing health care delivery systems.

Through its demonstration projects, HRSA’s SPNS models contribute to the advancement of public health knowledge and help move toward the elimination of HIV in the United States by

- promoting models that focus on expanding linkage to HIV medical care,
- improving lifelong retention in HIV medical care,
- supporting the delivery of antiretroviral therapy (ART), and
- ultimately achieving HIV viral suppression among people living with HIV.

Across the U.S. there are currently 69 SPNS recipients working with the hardest-to-reach populations.

HRSA’S SPNS INITIATIVES RESPOND TO THE NEEDS OF HIV POPULATIONS & THE CHANGING HEALTH CARE LANDSCAPE

- Behavioral health treatment
- Integration of HCV treatment
- Evidence-informed interventions
- Workforce capacity building
- Social media strategies
- HIT & data integration
- Clinical Practice Transformation
- Supportive employment and housing services

ABOUT IHIP

IHIP, or Integrating HIV Innovative Practices, is a SPNS Program dedicated to helping providers learn about and implement tested and proven HIV strategies.

- Meets National Goals to End the HIV Epidemic
- Accessed across the U.S. and in 14 other countries
- TA tools on replicable, evidence-informed, care model interventions to meet provider needs
- Capacity building assistance

Meeting Federal Priorities

- Linkage to care
- Medication adherence & viral suppression
- Retention/re-engagement

Fostering Collaboration

- Partnering with RWHAP Parts A-F
- Partnering and sharing lessons learned with other federal agencies

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