HRSA HAB Vision and Mission

Vision
Optimal HIV care and treatment for all to end the HIV epidemic in the U.S.

Mission
Provide leadership and resources to advance HIV care and treatment to improve health outcomes and reduce health disparities for people with HIV and affected communities.
Presentation Agenda

- HRSA HAB Program Updates
- Public Health and Policy Updates
- Ryan White Program 2030
- Recent HRSA HAB Funding Opportunities
- Data Updates
HRSA HAB Program Updates
• HAB is planning a hybrid conference that will take place on August 20-23, 2024, at the Marriott Marquis in Washington, DC

• Registration opened on February 14th. Register at: https://ryanwhiteconference.hrsa.gov/

• If you have any questions or problems registering, please contact Registration@ryanwhiteconference.org
Exhibitor registration is now open through June 14th. Register at: https://ryanwhiteconference.hrsa.gov/

If you have any questions or problems registering as an exhibitor, please contact Registration@ryanwhiteconference.org
2024 NRWC Abstract Updates

• All 2024 NRWC abstracts are currently under review.

• Submitters will be notified if their abstract was accepted in mid-April.

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Part D Communities of Practice (CoP) #1 Program

Highlights

Recipient Recruitment  
Nov. 2022 – Jan. 2023

Project Launch  
Mar. 29, 2023

Action Periods  
July 2023 – Jan. 2024

Recipient Intake and Needs Assessments

Feb. 2023

May 2023 – Feb. 2024

Learning Sessions

Part D CoP #2: Trauma-Informed Care and Behavioral Health community of practice launched in March 2024 and runs through February 2025
Check Out the Newly Updated HIV/AIDS Bureau Library

Repository of peer-reviewed journal articles that demonstrate the impact of the RWHAP

• Includes articles authored by HRSA, HAB contractors and recipients, and academic researchers
• Can filter by
  • Keyword, topic, or journal
  • HRSA authored or HRSA funded
• Updated regularly
• Access abstracts and articles via NIH PubMed

Read about new research, advancements, and innovations relevant to the RWHAP!

https://ryanwhite.hrsa.gov/resources/elibrary
RWHAP Best Practices Compilation Reaches 100 Interventions!

The RWHAP Best Practices Compilation
gathers and disseminates interventions that
improve outcomes along the HIV care continuum.

Search and share today!
targethiv.org/bestpractices/search

What Kinds of Interventions are Included?

Effective approaches actively being used in RWHAP and
other HIV-service delivery settings
• Also known as intervention strategies or interventions
• Include either direct medical or support services, or both
• Enough information to support replication

Demonstrated effectiveness at improving client
outcomes along and beyond the HIV care continuum
• Some have published evidence, others have shown impact at the local
level
CQII’s Impact Now collaborative is a national quality improvement initiative that:

- Maximizes the viral suppression rates
- Focuses on RWHAP recipients and subrecipients that have the highest potential for a measurable national impact
- Enrolls up to 30 RWHAP providers to raise their viral suppression rates to the national viral suppression mean and beyond

The 18-month learning collaborative aims to improve health outcomes and advance local quality improvement capacities.
Public Health and Policy Updates
Reminder: Strategies to Minimize Coverage Loss During the Medicaid Continuous Enrollment Unwinding

- Updating member contact information
- Conducting outreach and education
- Engaging the community and other key partners
- Promoting seamless coverage transitions

National Syphilis and Congenital Syphilis Syndemic Federal Task Force

- Department of Health and Human Services multi-agency task force.
- Goal to reduce rates of primary and secondary syphilis and congenital syphilis
- Aligns with the STI National Strategic Plan
- Action Steps
  - Optimize syphilis screening
  - Expand access to testing and treatment
    - Importation Extencilline – Bicillin equivalent – available for order
    - Extencilline, Injection, 1,200,000 units
    - Extencilline, Injection, 2,400,000 units
  - Increase awareness and education among provider groups
    - Letters from agencies to grant recipients
  - Engage communities and health departments
    - Equity Workshops
HRSA’s HIV/AIDS Bureau’s Syphilis Response

• Program Letters
  ▪ Syphilis and Congenital Syphilis in Indian Country - July 6, 2023
  ▪ Role of Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program in Addressing STIs and Mpox - April 26, 2023
  ▪ HRSA and CDC Status Neutral Approach Framework - January 17, 2023

• Clinical Conference
  ▪ Plenary and workshop sessions

• Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program AIDS Education and Training Center (AETC) Program
  ▪ Identify provider training opportunities
Ryan White Program 2030
Four Pillars of Ending the HIV Epidemic in the U.S. (EHE)

Diagnose
All people with HIV as early as possible.

Treat
People with HIV rapidly and effectively to reach sustained viral suppression.

Prevent
New HIV transmissions by using proven interventions, including pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) and syringe services programs (SSPs).

Respond
Quickly to potential HIV outbreaks to get needed prevention and treatment services to people who need them.

75% reduction in new HIV diagnoses in 5 years and a 90% reduction in 10 years.
Viral Suppression among RWHAP Clients by State, 2010 and 2022—United States and 2 Territories

Viral suppression: ≥1 OAHS visit during the calendar year and ≥1 viral load reported, with the last viral load result <200 copies/mL.

## Diagnosing and Linking People with HIV to Effective Care is Critical for Preventing New Transmissions

### HIV Transmissions in the United States, 2016

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<th>% of People with HIV</th>
<th>Status of Care</th>
<th>Accounted for X% of New Transmissions(^a)</th>
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<td>15%</td>
<td>Didn’t know they had HIV</td>
<td>38%</td>
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<td>23%</td>
<td>Knew they had HIV but weren’t in care</td>
<td>43%</td>
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<td>11%</td>
<td>In care but not virally suppressed</td>
<td>20%</td>
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<td>51%</td>
<td>Taking HIV medicine and virally suppressed</td>
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\(^a\) Total does not equal 100% because of rounding. Source: CDC.\(^{19}\)
Achieving the Ending the HIV Epidemic in the U.S. Goals

People with HIV in care
- Improve viral suppression rates
- Decrease disparities

People newly diagnosed with HIV
- Enhance linkage to care
- Enhance engagement in care

People with HIV out of care
- Expand re-engagement in care
- Improve retention in care
HRSA HAB’s vision of optimal HIV care and treatment for all to end the HIV epidemic in the U.S. calls us to focus on:

REACHING PEOPLE WITH HIV WHO ARE OUT OF CARE
HRSA’s HIV/AIDS Bureau (HAB) Ending the HIV Epidemic in the U.S. (EHE) Initiative Year Two Data: 2021

**CLIENTS SERVED IN EHE JURISDICTIONS**

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** Estimated based on reported numbers of total clients served, new clients, and existing clients reported by outpatient ambulatory health services, medical case management, non-medical case management, and EHE initiative service providers.


Recent HRSA HAB Funding Opportunities
Supporting People with HIV as Leaders in HIV Systems of Care
Project Period: Sept. 1, 2024 – Aug. 31, 2028

Goal:
Support leadership development and enhance meaningful engagement for people with HIV in health care planning and programs

Program activities are to:
• Conduct training of trainers (ToT) for people with HIV on leadership in RWHAP activities
• Provide supports to ToT trainees to help them accomplish goals related to the ToT
• Develop and disseminate relevant tools and lessons learned

Objectives:
• Increase leadership capacity, representation, and engagement of people with HIV in RWHAP planning, development, implementation, evaluation, and clinical quality management
• Develop skills and knowledge transfer through peer learning
• Support the readiness of people with HIV to impact HIV systems of care and operations.
HRSA HAB Commitment to Streamlining Eligibility

**Policy Clarification**
Notice 21-02 release to promote continuity of care, avoid unnecessary disruptions in coverage, and reduce administrative burden.

**Notice of Funding Opportunity** to award one cooperative agreement ($2 million annually) for a two-year SPNS initiative project period.

**Internal Focus Groups** with HAB project officers.

**Request for Information** with the AIDS Drug Assistance Programs (ADAPs) to better understand current ADAP eligibility processes and challenges, including those regarding collaboration, data sharing and data systems.

**Technical Expert Panels** with a cross-section of RWHAP recipients across several states to represent different RWHAP models and experiences for Parts A-D, including the ADAP.

**Timeline:**
- **OCT 2021**
- **APR 2023**
- **MAY - JUN 2023**
- **AUG 2023**
- **JAN 2024**
Goal:
Increase access to care for people with HIV by promoting efficiencies in RWHAP eligibility and confirmation across all RWHAP Parts.

One cooperative agreement to:
- Examine current eligibility determination and confirmation processes and identify administrative, technical, and legal barriers
- Identify best practices that improve navigation for clients who seek services from multiple RWHAP recipients and subrecipients
- Develop and disseminate materials about eligibility determination and confirmation processes
- Facilitate peer-to-peer information exchange and dissemination of information.

Objectives:
- Promote efficiencies
- Improve the customer experience
- Reduce administrative burden
- Increase the availability of tools for adoption
Two New FY 2024 Funding Opportunities for the RWHAP AIDS Education and Training Center (AETC) Program

- FY 2024 Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part F Regional AETC Program Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)
  - Funding under this announcement will support eight regional AETCs

- FY 2024 Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part F AETC Program: National AETC Support Center (NASC) NOFO has been released.
  - The NASC will support AETC Program recipients and their local partners to deliver highly effective HIV training and workforce development programs and improve program coordination and outcomes
  - HRSA will fund one entity under this announcement
RWHAP Implementation for HIV Clinical Quality Improvement

Goal:
Provide RWHAP Part A through D recipients with training and technical assistance (T/TA) to implement quality improvement methodologies

One cooperative agreement to:
- Provide T/TA that addresses the development, implementation, and sustainability of quality improvement activities

Objectives:
- Strengthen Part A through D recipients’ skills of quality improvement
- Develop and disseminate quality improvement resources
- Promote sustainable adoption of quality improvement methodologies, and techniques
- Implement activities in alignment with RWHAP statute, Policy Clarification Notice 15-02, and other HRSA HAB policy notices and program letters
Data Updates
HRSA’s Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program By the Numbers: 2022

**Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP)**

- **566,846** clients served in 2022
- **89.6%** of RWHAP clients receiving HIV medical care
- **74.2%** of clients were from racial and ethnic minority groups

- **6.9%** of clients had temporary housing
- **5.2%** of clients had unstable housing
- **48.2%** of clients were aged 50 years and older
- **58.6%** of clients lived at or below 100% of the Federal Poverty Level

Viral suppression is based on data for people with HIV who had at least one outpatient ambulatory health services visit and at least one viral load test during the measurement year and whose most recent viral load test result was less than 200 copies/mL.

**Clients self-identified as**

- **25.8%** White
- **less than 2%** each American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian, Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, and persons of multiple races. Hispanics/Latinos can be of any race.

Data sourced from 2022 Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Annual Data Report.
Inequities remain among priority populations:

- Blacks/African Americans
- Transgender people
- Youth (13–24 years)
- People with unstable housing

### Significant progress has been made in viral suppression among priority populations, 2010 and 2022

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<th>Population</th>
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<td>Hispanic/Latino</td>
<td>73.6</td>
<td>71.9</td>
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<td>Gay, bisexual, and other men who have sex with men</td>
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<td>People who inject drugs</td>
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<td>Black/African American</td>
<td>87.1</td>
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<td>Transgender clients</td>
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<td>Youth (13-24 years)</td>
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<td>Unstable housing</td>
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The RWHAP client population is aging: the percentage of clients aged 55 years and older grew by 20 percentage points from 2010 through 2022

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<th>Percentage of all RWHAP clients</th>
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48.2% of RWHAP clients are aged 50 years and older.
New Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) Data Infographic: 2021

In 2021, ADAPs served 289,289 people with HIV

- 46.1% of ADAP clients were aged 50 years and older
- 70.0% of ADAP clients were racial and ethnic minorities
- 46.9% of ADAP clients lived at or below 100% of the Federal Poverty Level

https://ryanwhite.hrsa.gov/resources/hivaids-bureau-infographics
New Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) Data Infographic: 2021 (cont.)

SERVICES RECEIVED BY ADAP CLIENTS*

- 45.5% of ADAP clients received full-pay medication support
- 17.2% of ADAP clients received medication co-pay/deductible assistance
- 4.6% of ADAP clients received health care coverage premium assistance

32.6% of ADAP clients received more than one ADAP service

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Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Highlights Biennial Report: 2023

- HRSA released *Harnessing the Power of Community Engagement and Innovation to End the HIV Epidemic*, 2023 Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Highlights in October 2023

- Access the report: [https://ryanwhite.hrsa.gov/data/biennial-reports](https://ryanwhite.hrsa.gov/data/biennial-reports)
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• HRSA HAB’s Year 2 publication of qualitative data regarding the EHE initiative.
• Uses narrative information and anonymized quotes from EHE progress reports submitted by HAB EHE recipients to describe and summarize:
  ▪ EHE activities and accomplishments;
  ▪ barriers and challenges faced during EHE implementation; and
  ▪ EHE impact and innovations.
• Facilitates the dissemination of EHE strategies and activities
• Learn more: https://ryanwhite.hrsa.gov/data/reports
Among Clients New to Care in 2021

By the end of 2021, **78.6%** of clients who were new to care and were receiving HIV treatment reached **viral suppression**, which means they cannot sexually transmit HIV to their partner and can live longer and healthier lives.

**21.7%** are temporarily or unstably housed

**66.9%** live at or below 100% of the Federal Poverty Level

HRSA’s HIV/AIDS Bureau (HAB) Ending the HIV Epidemic in the U.S. (EHE) Initiative Year Two Data: 2021

**RWHAP Part F AIDS Education and Training Centers (AETCs) expand the capacity of the HIV health care workforce by training and supporting health care team members and students in support of EHE goals.**

**From July 2020 through June 2021, RWHAP Part F AETC Program Recipients**

- Conducted **335** EHE-funded trainings
- Trained **3,286** HIV care professionals

HRSA HAB Hosted Series of Ending the HIV Epidemic in the U.S. (EHE) Intensive TA Workshops

- **EHE Intensive Technical Assistance Workshops**
  - **September and October 2023 Workshops:** 13 States and Jurisdictions attended
  - **January 24-25, 2024:** Atlanta, GA (Jurisdictions in FL, GA, LA, NC, TN, and TX)
  - **February 28-29, 2024:** Los Angeles, CA (Jurisdictions in AZ, CA, TX, NV, and WA)
  - **March 20-21, 2024:** Washington, DC (Jurisdictions in FL, IL, MD, MI, NC, NJ, and NY)
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