

Approach to Compiling Best Practices and Interventions from Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP) Recipients and Subrecipients

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Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

Overview

- Supports more than 90 programs that provide health care to people who are geographically isolated, economically or medically vulnerable through grants and cooperative agreements to more than 3,000 awardees, including community and faith-based organizations, colleges and universities, hospitals, state, local, and tribal governments, and private entities
- Every year, HRSA programs serve tens of millions of people, including people living with HIV/AIDS, pregnant women, mothers and their families, and those otherwise unable to access quality health care



HRSA's HIV/AIDS Bureau (HRSA HAB)

Vision

Optimal HIV/AIDS care and treatment for all.

Mission

Provide leadership and resources to assure access to and retention in high quality, integrated care, and treatment services for vulnerable people living with HIV/AIDS and their families.



HRSA's Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP)

- Provides comprehensive system of HIV primary medical care, medications, and essential support services for low-income people living with HIV
 - More than half of people living with diagnosed HIV in the United States – more than 550,000 people – receive care through the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program
- Funds grants to states, cities/counties, and local community based organizations
 - Recipients determine service delivery and funding priorities based on local needs and planning process
- Payor of last resort statutory provision: RWHAP funds may not be used for services if another state or federal payer is available
- 84.9% of Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program clients were virally suppressed in 2016, exceeding national average of 59.8%



Source: HRSA. Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Annual Client-Level Data Report 2016; CDC. HIV Surveillance Supplemental Report 2016;21(No. 4)



Project Teams, Background, Purpose, and Key Components

HRSA's HIV/AIDS Bureau



Project Team and Management Structure

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Project Team and Management Structure

Team for the HRSA HIV/AIDS Bureau Recipient Compilation of Best Practice Strategies and Interventions Project

JSI Management Team

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Why this Project?

HRSA RWHAP has been increasingly successful in achieving improved outcomes along the [HIV care continuum](#).

The HRSA RWHAP Services Report (RSR) client-level data demonstrate annual improvements in viral suppression, from 69.5% of clients achieving virally suppression in 2010 to 84.9% in 2016.

HRSA RWHAP seeks to continue improving rates of viral suppression, which not only improves the quality and length of life for PLWH, but also prevents transmission of HIV.



Source: Health Resources and Services Administration. Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Annual Client-Level Data Report 2016. <http://HRSA.HAB.hrsa.gov/data/data-reports>. Published December 2017.

Source: Health Resources and Services Administration Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Special Projects of National Significance Social Media Initiative, UCLA Evaluation and Technical Assistance Center <https://socialmediaetac.dgsom.ucla.edu/pages/>

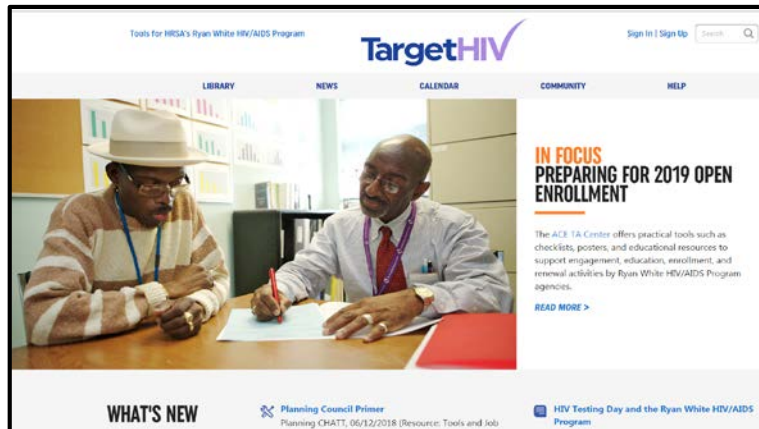
Project Background

This project is funded through the Secretary's Minority AIDS Initiative Fund (SMAIF). John Snow, Inc. was awarded a contract in September 2018 to develop and implement the *Recipient Compilation of Best Practice Strategies and Interventions*. The project will support HRSA HAB's identification of RWHAP Parts A-D strategies and interventions that yield the best health outcomes and public health impact.



Project Purpose

The *Recipient Compilation of Best Practice Strategies and Interventions* will systematically and efficiently gather, analyze, select, catalogue, and display best practice strategies and interventions on [HRSA HAB TargetHIV.org](https://hrsa.habtargethiv.org).



Project Target Audience

- Target audience 1) RWHAP recipients and subrecipients as well as other HIV service providers; and 2) HRSA HAB Project Officers and leadership and communications staff
 - Online catalogue should be a user-friendly mechanism to identify, filter, and download practical information about program implementation
 - Online catalog on [HRSA HAB TargetHIV.org](https://www.hrsa.gov/hab/targethiv.org) of best practice strategies and interventions utilized by RWHAP recipients that improve outcomes along the HIV care continuum

Project Benefits

- Provides a comprehensive inventory of best practices across the HIV care continuum of RWHAP-funded strategies and interventions
- Promotes best practices from RWHAP recipients and subrecipients for consideration, adaptation, and replication by other HIV programs
- Supports efficient implementation through peer exchange as programs figure out solutions to impacting the HIV care continuum and eliminating disparities in health outcomes

Project Timeline

- Year 1

- (Sept.- Aug. 2019)

- Develop review criteria and process
- Conduct communications/outreach
- Create best practices submission form on TargetHIV.org

- Year 2

- (Sept. 2019-Aug. 2020)

- Identify sample and conduct up to 30 site visits
- Analyze and document strategies and interventions from site visits
- Develop and launch online compilation of best practices on TargetHIV.org

- Year 3

- (Sept, 2020-Aug. 2021)

- Promote and disseminate the online compilation of best practices
- Monitor use of Recipient Compilation

Key Project Components

HRSA HAB Recipient Compilation of Best Practice Strategies and Interventions



Develop Criteria and Review Methodology

Refine Criteria and Review Methodology to Identify Best Practice Strategies and Interventions (Years 1 and 2)

- Establish Steering Committee
- Host 2 in person meetings to review and finalize criteria and review methodology for identification and selection of best practice strategies and interventions
- Proposed Joanna Briggs Institute (JBI) Model of Evidence Based Healthcare (FAME) to guide criteria development

FAME FRAMEWORK

- **Feasibility** addresses whether an intervention is practical in a specific situation.
- **Appropriateness** speaks to whether an intervention fits into a particular context.
- **Meaningfulness** describes whether an intervention is positively experienced.
- **Effectiveness** is whether an intervention achieves its intended outcome.

Jordan, Z., Lockwood, C., Aromataris, E., et al. (2016). The updated JBI model for evidence-based healthcare. The Joanna Briggs Institute. http://joannabriggs.org/assets/docs/approach/The_JBI_Model_of_Evidence_-_HealthcareA_Model_Reconsidered.pdf



Potential Emerging/Promising Practice Criteria

- Implemented by RWHAP recipient or subrecipient
- Reach to communities in need based on disproportionate HIV impact
- Implementation duration (specify)
- **Feasibility** for implementation replication
- **Feasibility** for sustainability over time
- **Appropriate** intervention for context (target population, setting)
- **Appropriate** use of current clinical guidelines and recommendations
- In alignment with HRSA HAB priorities/strategy
- **Meaningful** feedback received from clients/patients and implementers
- **Meaningful** and clear HIV outcome measures targeted
- **Effectiveness** in influencing HIV care continuum outcomes
- In accordance with clinical guidelines
- Fills gaps in existing “evidence-based” and “informed” interventions

Potential Online Catalog Categories

- Strategies and Interventions

- Acuity Tools
- Data Utilization Innovation
- Service Delivery Models

- Populations

- Racial/Ethnic Minorities
- Transgender Adults and Adolescents
- MSM
- Youth
- Aging Populations
- Behavioral Health

- Rural Communities
- Heterosexual Women
- Heterosexual Men
- PWID
- Unstably Housed

- Outcomes

- HIV Testing
- HIV Linkage to Care
- Engagement and Retention
- Viral Suppression
- Health Disparities and Inequities



Potential Online Catalog Content

- Considerations for Online Catalog on TargetHIV.org
 - Search/filter functionality with summary display of findings
 - Summary of program/intervention goals
 - Core and adaptable components
 - Type of program/intervention
 - Populations(s) reached
 - Setting
 - Outcomes achieved/evidence level
 - Core clinical services and support services
 - Staffing and costs considerations
 - Barriers
 - Facilitators
 - Lessons learned
 - Links to existing program documents
 - Program contact information

Launch Communications and Engagement

- Develop a process and mechanism to receive information from recipients/subrecipients and review/select best practice strategies and interventions
- Provide outreach and engagement to recipients/subrecipients and HRSA HAB POs to identify best practice strategies and interventions

Listening Forum and Q&A

HRSA HAB Recipient and Subrecipient Discussion



Discussion

- How would you suggest that we engage with the RWHAP community to identify their best practice strategies?
- What categories would you want to search on to identify best practice strategies and interventions?



Discussion

- What information on best practice strategies and interventions would be helpful to you to replicate in your program?



Discussion

- Would this type of information be helpful to display?
- What additional online content would be most helpful to you?





Next Steps

Where do we go from here?

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