

Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part F AIDS Education and Training Centers Program Practice Transformation

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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)



Workshop Agenda

- I. RWHAP AIDS Education and Training Centers (AETC) Program Practice Transformation Overview
- II. Midwest AETC (MAETC) HIV Practice Transformation Project
- III. Q&As

RWHAP AIDS Education and Training Centers (AETC) Program

- Supports a network of eight regional centers (and more than 130 local affiliated sites) and national centers that conduct targeted, multidisciplinary education
- and training programs for health care providers treating people living with HIV..
- The RWHAP AETC Program supports the goals of the National HIV/AIDS Strategy: Updated to 2020 by providing training, education, and technical assistance to strengthen the delivery of services and quality of care along the HIV care continuum.
- National network of educators and trainers with expertise in clinical diagnosis, treatment and management of patients with HIV/AIDS and its related health conditions.
- Focus on training and educating health professionals who treat people living with HIV/AIDS, with a special emphasis on clinicians who are themselves of minority racial/ethnic background and/or are serving minority populations, including American Indians and Alaska Natives.



AETC Program Goals

- Increase the size and strengthen the skills of the current and novice HIV clinical workforce in the United States.
- Improve outcomes along the HIV care continuum, including diagnosis, linkage to care, retention, and viral suppression through training and technical assistance.
- Reduce HIV transmission and incidence of new infections by improving the rates of viral load suppression and retention in care of PLWH.

AETC Program Structure

- Eight regional and two national AETCs that provide education, training, consultation and clinical decision support to health care providers, allied health professionals who care for people living with HIV or at high risk of HIV.
- Serves all 50 states in the U.S., DC, U.S. Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico, and the six U.S. affiliated Pacific Jurisdictions.
- Targets both novice and current HIV providers to improve their skills, knowledge and ability to provide appropriate HIV that results in improved patient outcomes.



AETC Program Activities

- CORE Technical Assistance and Training
- **Practice Transformation (PT)**
- Interprofessional Education (IPE)
- Minority AIDS Initiative (MAI)
- CDC HIV Testing Initiative

AETC Practice Transformation (PT)

Goal:

To transform selected clinical practices and to build the capacity of the selected organizations to provide quality HIV care

AETC Practice Transformation (PT) cont'd

- The clinical sites may work directly with regional AETC and/or regional partner.
 - Year 1: Determining clinical site's organizational and training needs; Planning and strategizing the training approach; Developing an evaluation plan
 - Year 2-4: Implementing the Practice Transformation Project
 - Year 4: Focus on analysis of data collection and evaluation of the overall project. This requires collaboration with AETC National Evaluation contractor.



AETC PT Requirements

Site Requirements:

- A minimum of six (6) sites
 - Three (3) Health Center Program recipients
 - Three (3) Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part A and/or Part B funded programs
- No geographic limitations on the sites within each region

AETC PT Requirements and Program Characteristics

Health Center Site Requirements:

- Use an Electronic Health Records (EHR) system at all service sites
- Serve at least 30% of total patients who are members of racial/ethnic minority groups

Program Characteristics:

- 40% of Regional AETC Budget
- AETCs help clinics incorporate Patient-Centered Medical Home (PCMH) principles for comprehensive HIV care services



AETC PT Structure

Practice Transformation Lead Coordinator

- AETC lead for the PT project coordinates and communicates the overarching needs of the coaches with the Regional Director and with the PT Community of Learning (PT COL)
- Communicates best practices from the PT COL to the site coaches
- Teaches, mentors, and serves as a resource for the site coaches as they lead the participating sites in the evolution of their HIV care delivery systems



AETC PT Coach

Practice Transformation Coach

- Conducts needs assessment of health care site and develops PT goals in conjunction with site
- Dedicated facilitator, resource, and mentor to the clinic and staff involved in the PT project
- Demonstrates the use of data and how it can be used to motivate change for improvement in HIV related clinical outcomes
- Active participant in the PT COL by bringing examples of successful practices that and challenges with potential solutions



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