



Women's Voices Raised for Social Justice: How the Regional Resource Network Program is Supporting Women in HIV Prevention and Education Across the Nation

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The REGIONAL RESOURCE NETWORK PROGRAM

Serving Local Communities in HIV/AIDS Prevention and Care



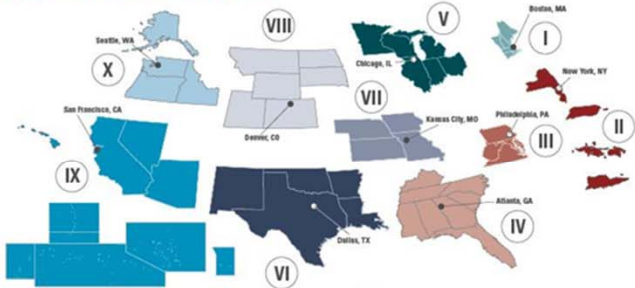
1998 Minority AIDS Initiative (MAI)



2001 OMH
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
Office of Minority Health

1999 OPA
OFFICE OF POPULATION AFFAIRS

2001 RRC Staff Doubles



2005 AIDS.gov

2013 HIV Care Continuum Initiative

2011 Action Plan for the Prevention, Care, and Treatment of Viral Hepatitis



2010–Present Increasing the Impact of the National HIV/AIDS Strategy (NHAS)



2008–2010 Pass It Forward
Passing Prevention Messages Peer-to-Peer



take control of your health and your life
Get Tested for HIV

2006–2008 National HIV Testing Mobilization Campaign
Standardizing HIV Testing

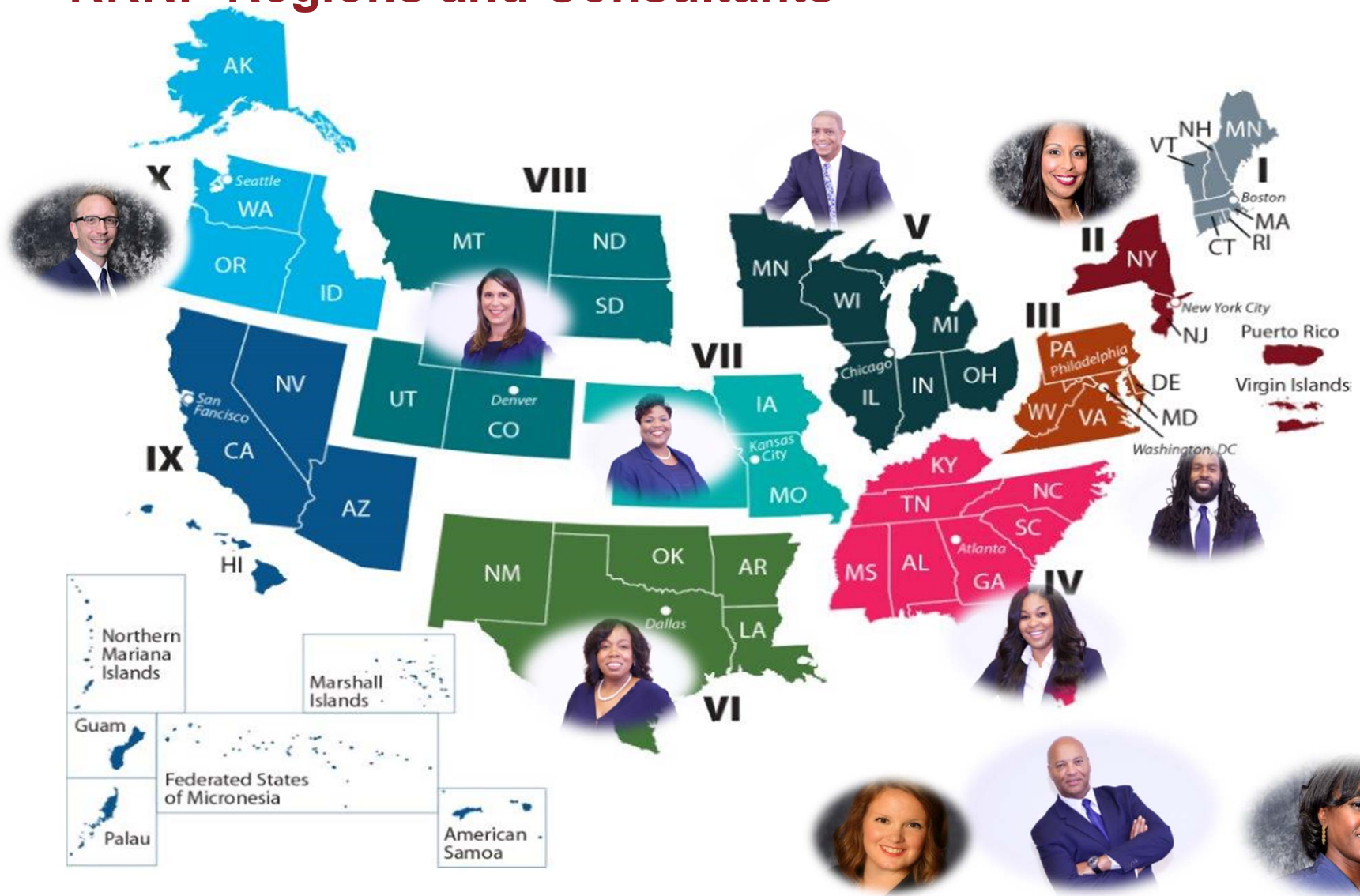


1999–2006 Capacity Building
Technical Assistance and Training



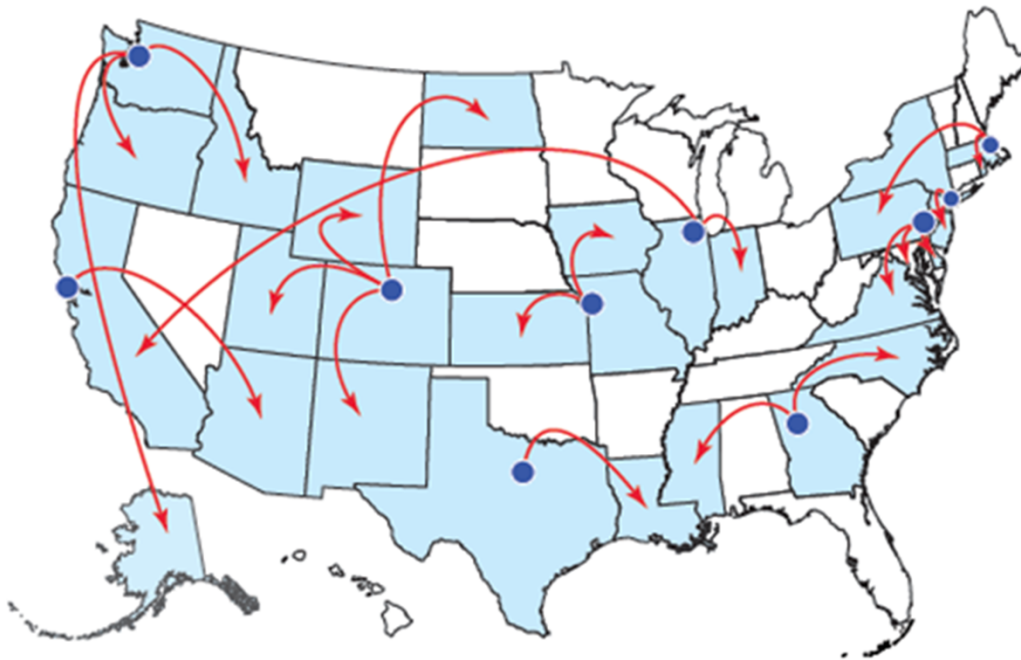


RRNP Regions and Consultants





Regional Resource Consultant Travel



Each year, **RRCs travel within their region** as needed based on their regional work plan and shifting regional needs.












RRCs travel to focus on integration of prevention and care planning groups; viral hepatitis prevention; health care access; transgender health; aging with HIV; opioid prevention; PrEP and viral suppression; pride and LGBT events; and, engaging faith-based leaders, minorities, youth, and women for prevention and education activities.

Slide 4

- CR4** Suggest spelling out RRC as "Regional Resource Consultant" in the title. Unable to edit any text on this slide.
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- WR(2)** Okay
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- CR5** Suggest spelling out PrEP here for the first time as "pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP)". Unable to edit any text on this page.
Cindy Reeh, 4/26/2018
- CR6** Suggest spelling out LGBT here for the first time as "lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT)"
Cindy Reeh, 4/26/2018



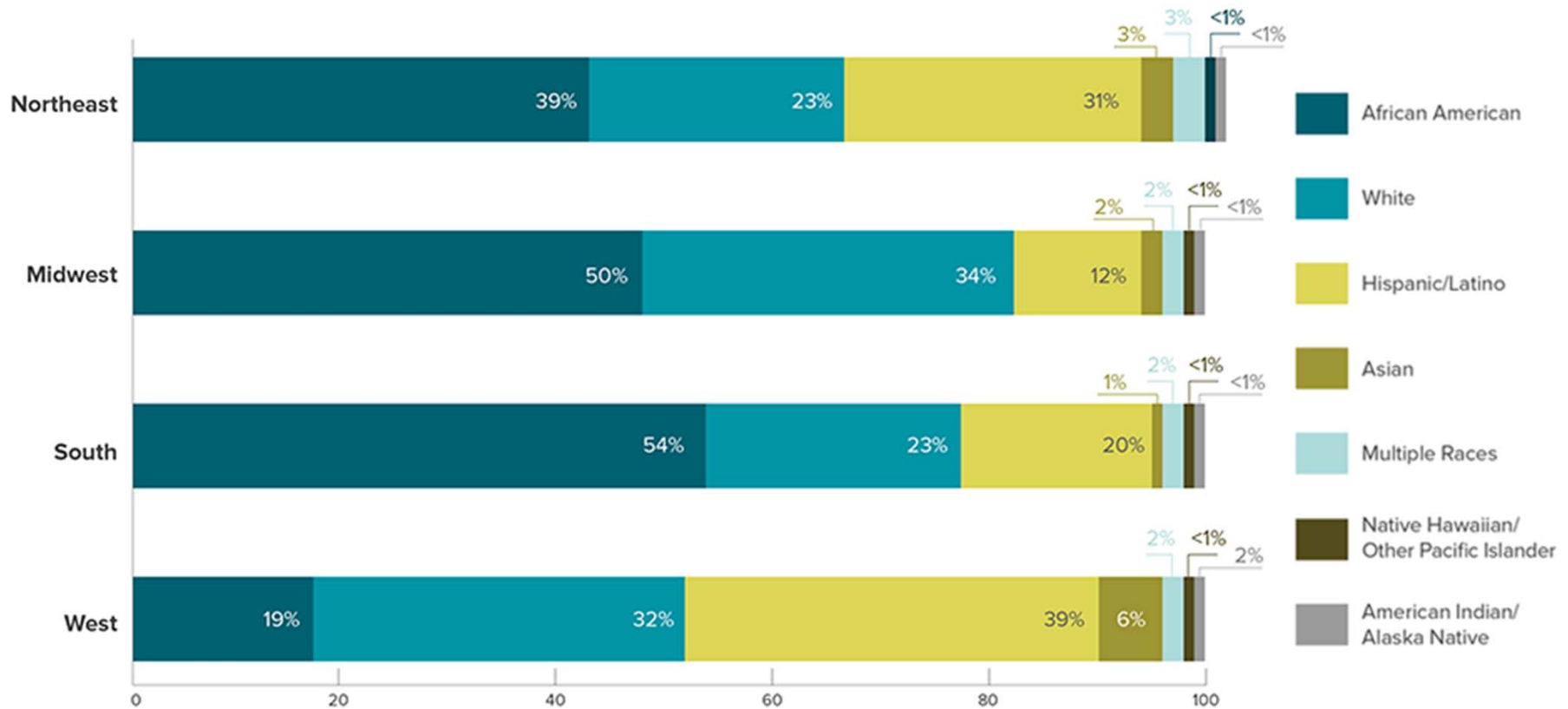
RRNP 2017 Highlights

		Year Total
 Trainings	Number of Trainings	134
	 Attendees	8,419
 Regional/Bi Regional Meetings	Number of Meetings	9
	 Attendees	364
 Technical Assistance	 Hours	4,137
	 HIV Awareness Days Events	Number of Events
 Attendees		9,034
 HIV Testing	HIV Testing Events	31
	Number of Individuals	2,165
	 New Positives	23
 Linkage to Care	% New Positives	100%





HIV Regional Prevalence Among Racial and Ethnic Minority Communities



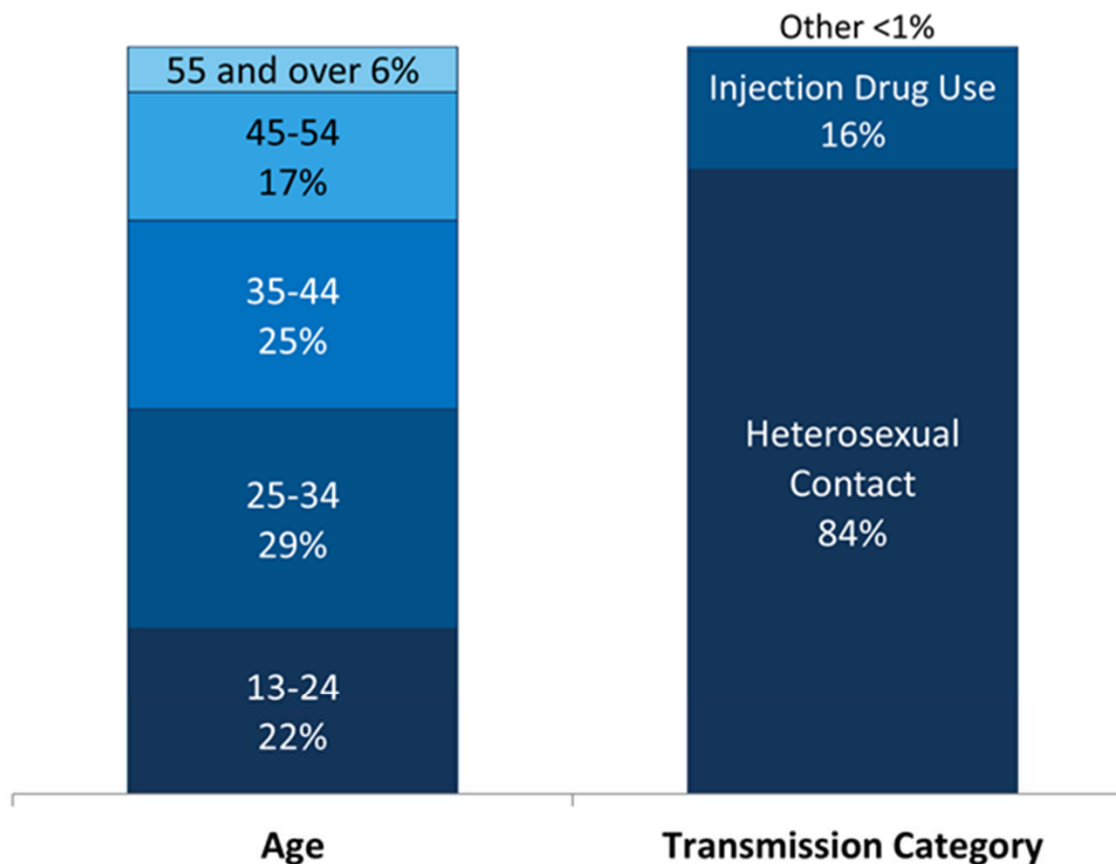
Source: Centers for Disease Control and Surveillance. Diagnoses of HIV Infection in the United States and Dependent Areas, 2015. *HIV Surveillance Report*. 2016;27.

<https://www.cdc.gov/hiv/pdf/library/reports/surveillance/cdc-hiv-surveillance-report-2015-vol-27.pdf>



Women and HIV

New HIV Infections Among Women and Girls, by Age and Transmission Category, 2010



NOTES: Data are estimates among those ages 13 and older and do not include U.S. dependent areas. Age distribution only includes white, Black, and Latina women and girls. Distribution by transmission category includes all women and girls.
 SOURCE: CDC, HIV Surveillance Supplemental Report, Vol. 17, No. 4; December 2012.

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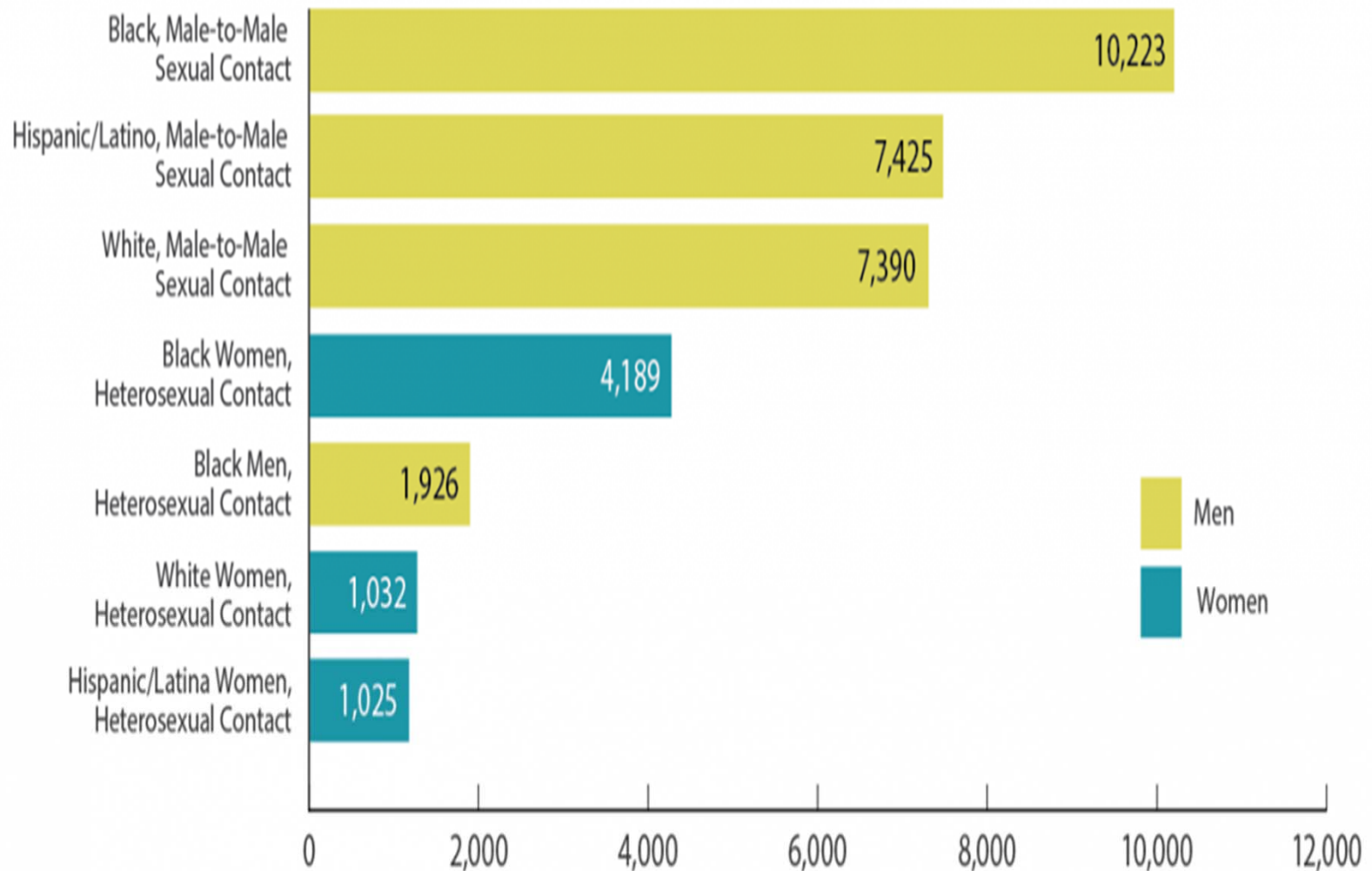
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HIV Diagnoses in the United States for the Most-Affected Subpopulations, 2016



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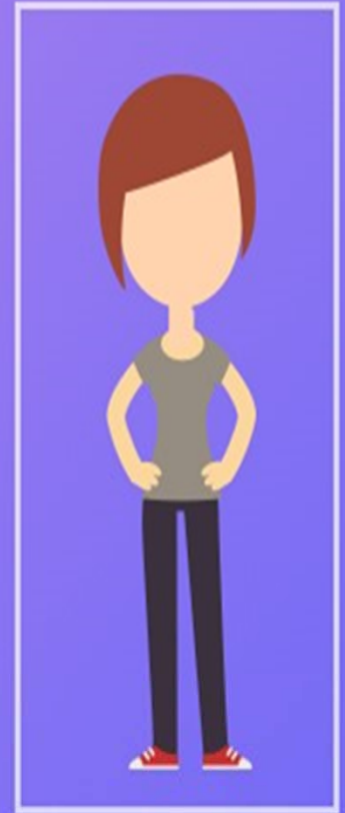
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Microsoft Office User, 4/30/2018

Not all women are equally affected by HIV.



In 2015, the number of new HIV diagnoses was **3X** greater among Black women than white women.



Women represented

**19% of all
new HIV diagnoses**

in 2016, but only

7% of all PrEP users.

 FEMALE

 MALE

7%

19%

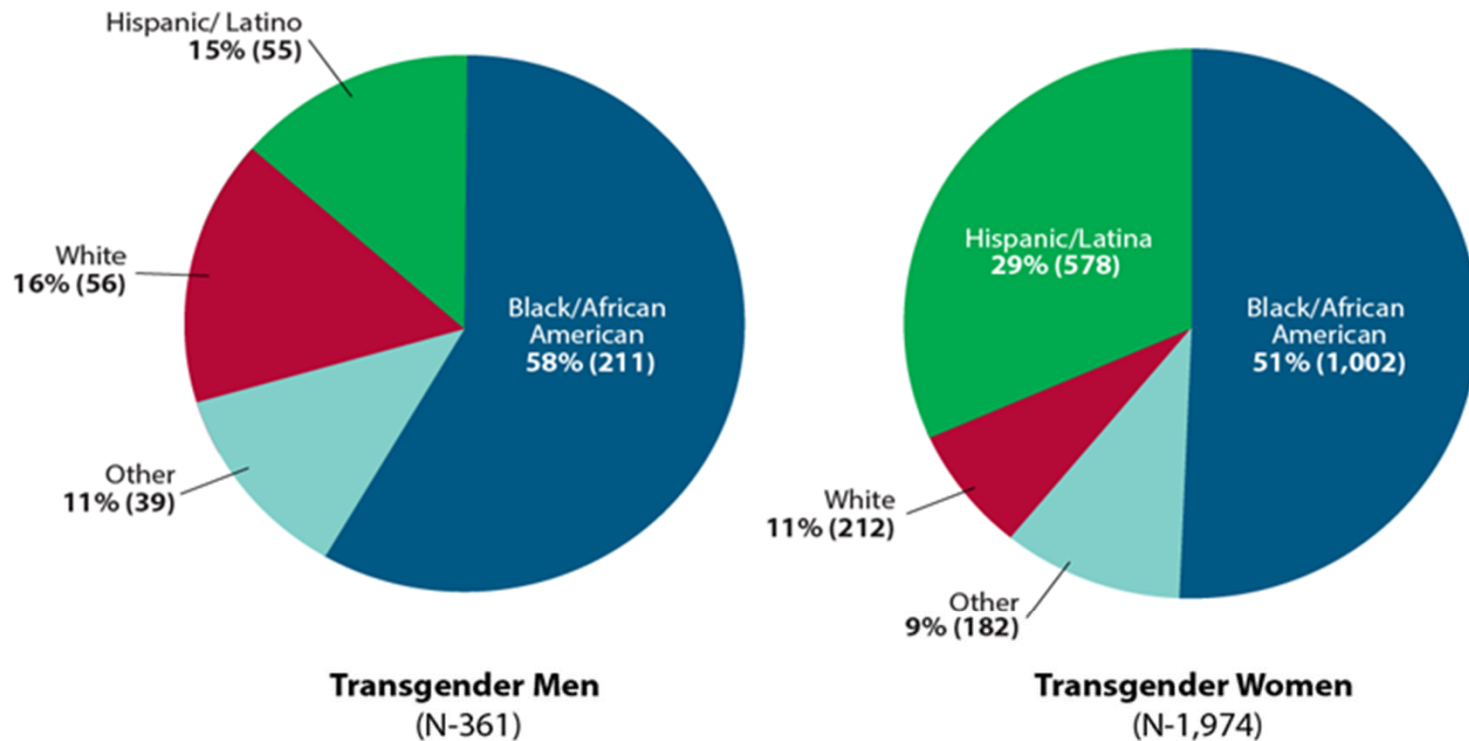
PrEP Users

New Diagnoses





HIV Diagnoses Among Transgender People in the United States, by Race/Ethnicity, 2009-2014



Source: Clark H, Babu AS, Wiewel EW, Opoku J, Crepaz N. Diagnosed HIV Infection in Transgender Adults and Adolescents: Results from the National HIV Surveillance System, 2009-2014. *AIDS and Behavior*. 2017;21(9):2774-2783.



Federal Response

NATIONAL HIV/AIDS STRATEGY

MONITORING OUR PROGRESS

GOAL 1: REDUCING NEW HIV INFECTIONS

- ✓ Increase knowledge of serostatus
- ✓ Reduce new diagnoses
- ✗ Reduce HIV-risk behaviors among young gay and bisexual males

GOAL 3: REDUCING HIV-RELATED DISPARITIES

Reduce disparities in HIV diagnosis among:

- ✗ Gay and bisexual men
- ✗ Young Black gay and bisexual men
- ✓ Black females
- ✗ Persons living in the Southern US

Increase viral suppression among:

- ✓ Youth
- ✓ Persons who inject drugs

GOAL 2: IMPROVING HEALTH OUTCOMES FOR PEOPLE LIVING WITH HIV

- ✓ Increase linkage to care
- ↗ Increase retention in HIV care
- ✓ Increase viral suppression
- ✗ Reduce homelessness
- ✓ Reduce death rate

DEVELOPMENTAL INDICATORS

- ✓ Increase viral suppression among transgender women
- Increase use of PrEP
- Decrease stigma

- ✓ ANNUAL TARGET MET
- ↗ ANNUAL TARGET NOT MET
(Progress in the expected direction)
- ✗ ANNUAL TARGET NOT MET
(Moving in the wrong direction)
- NO PROGRESS DATA YET

December 2016

Learn more about the National HIV/AIDS Strategy: Updated to 2020 at [AIDS.gov/2020](https://www.aids.gov/2020) #HIV2020



Biomedical Advances

Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) and Post-Exposure Prophylaxis (PEP)

Involves taking medicines to prevent HIV.

Treatment as Prevention (TasP)

Refers to HIV prevention methods that use antiretroviral treatment (ART) to decrease the risk of HIV transmission.

New Ways to Prevent HIV

Daily

PrEP

&

Emergency

PEP

TasP TasP



Campaigns and National Observance Days

Undetectable = Untransmittable (U=U) Campaign

- Equal access to the HIV prevention revolution based on **#ScienceNotStigma**
- All people living with HIV have a right to accurate and meaningful information about their social, sexual, and reproductive health





Targets for Ending the AIDS Epidemic

by 2020

90-90-90

Treatment

500 000

New infections among adults

ZERO

Discrimination

by 2030

95-95-95

Treatment

200 000

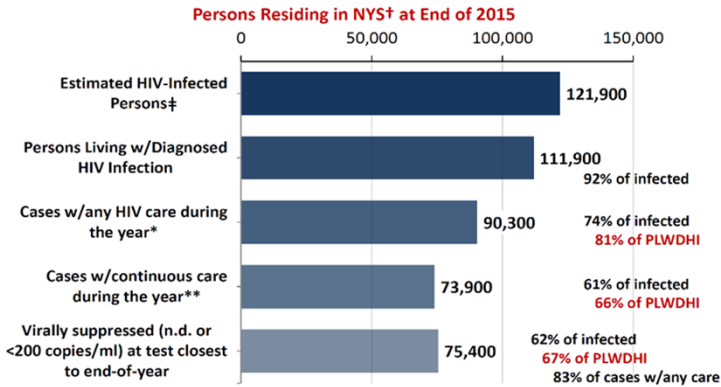
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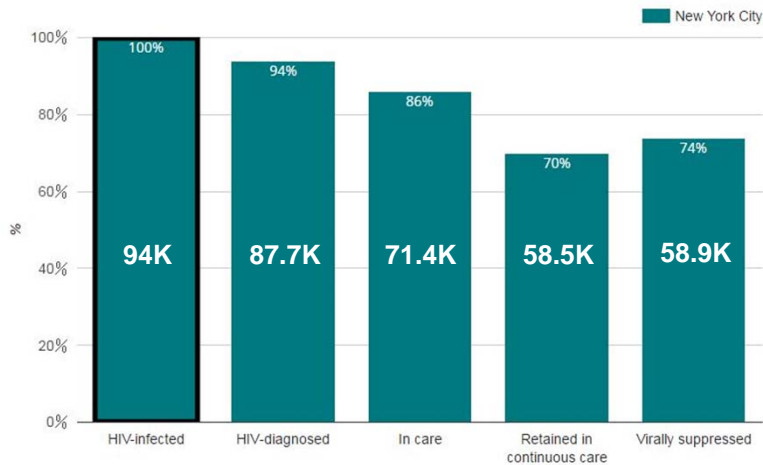
New York

New York State Cascade of HIV Care, 2015

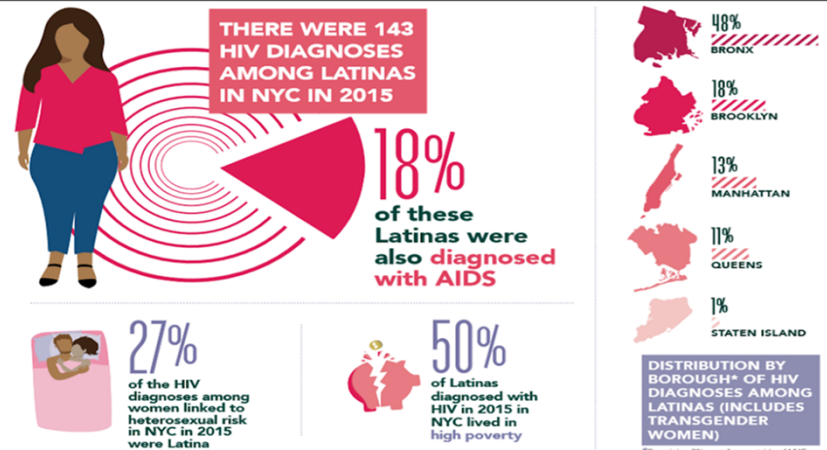


*Based on most recent address, regardless of where diagnosed. Excludes persons with AIDS with no evidence of care for 5 years and persons with diagnosed HIV (non-AIDS) with no evidence of care for 8 years.
 † Estimated unknown 6.7% for NYC and 13% Rest of State
 *Any VL, CD4, genotype test during the year; ** At least 2 tests, at least 91 days apart

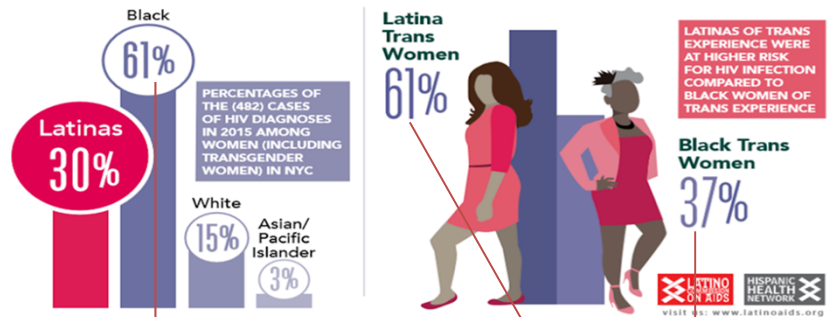
HIV Care Continuum 2015
New York City



N = 87,520



LATINAS AND HIV IN NYC: AN OVERVIEW



The rate of black females living with an HIV diagnosis is 13.8 times that of white females.

Estimated number of transgender females living with diagnosed HIV, 2015 NYC:1133



New Jersey, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands

New Jersey

- Historically high rates of infection among women of color (83% of HIV/AIDS cases and 19% of new diagnoses).
- African American and Latina women progress to AIDS faster. African American women have poorest survival from AIDS diagnosis. Latinas have under-reported AIDS-related mortality.

Puerto Rico

- 2017 Cumulative Surveillance = 9,390 women diagnosed with AIDS (34% injection drug users, 64% sexual).
- 217 girls younger than age 13 diagnosed (95% mother-to-child transmission, 4% blood products).

U.S. Virgin Islands

- Women represent 40% of all cases of HIV, with the majority (55%) reporting no risk factors at diagnosis.
- HIV stigma and homophobia are the greatest barriers.



Examples of RRNP HIV and Women Activities: Region II

Education and Training

- Expansion of New York State HIV Treatment Access and Prevention Law
- Biomedical Advances in HIV Prevention: PrEP, PEP, Microbicides and U=U
- In My Mind LGBTQ People of Color Mental Health Conference

Community Mobilization

- Lilac Kiki Ball for PrEP
- U=U for Black Faith Leaders

Implementation

- PrEP for Women: Successes, Challenges, and Opportunities—a statewide forum
- Affirming Care for Trans Latinas
- PrEP Uptake and HIV Testing Geo Mapping



Examples of RRNP HIV and Women Activities: Region IV

Faith-Based Education and Training

- Modern Girl Movement Annual Conference
- Red Heels in the City Annual Conference

Community Mobilization, Education, and Training

Community Focused—Inclusive of All

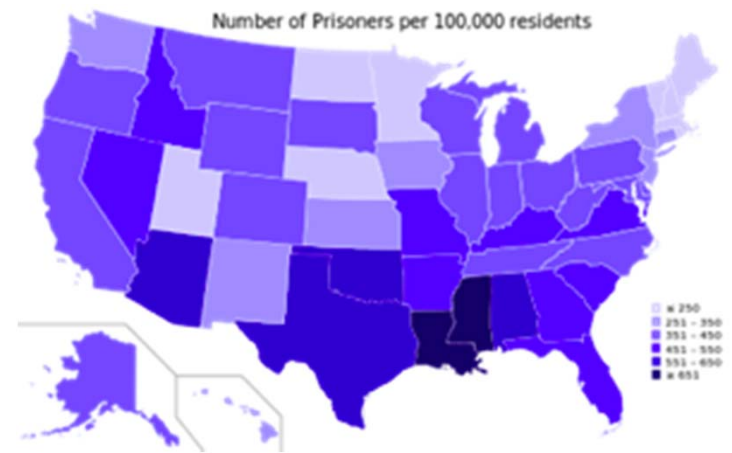
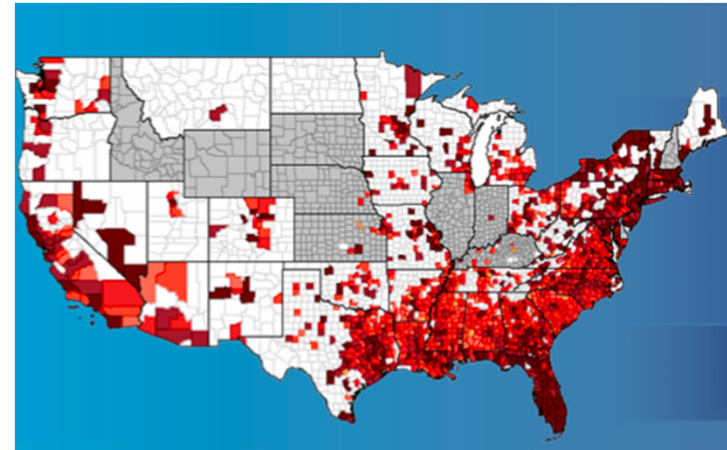
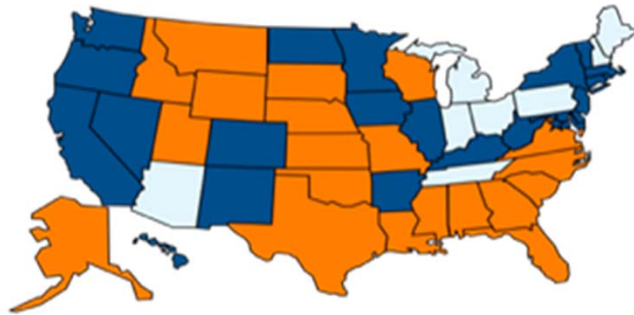
- City of Refuge—against sexual human trafficking
- TransHousing Atlanta Program
- Empowerment Resource Center—Annual Hats Off to Women Conference
- National Black Leadership Commission on AIDS: Women & Girls HIV/AIDS Awareness Day
- SisterLove—U.S. Women and PrEP Working Group
- Beverly Cunningham Outreach Program—domestic violence, trafficking, HIV/AIDS

Academia

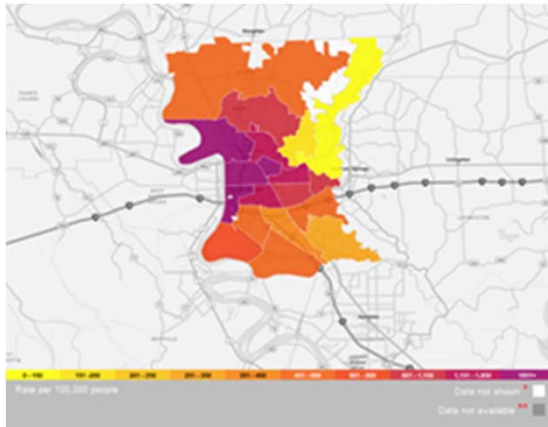
- Clayton State University—Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc. Health Week
- Bethune Cookman University



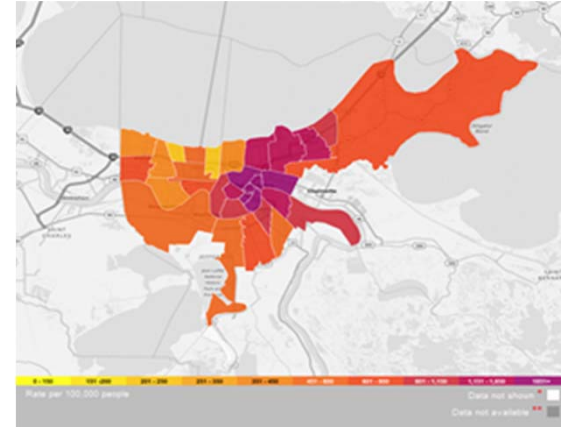
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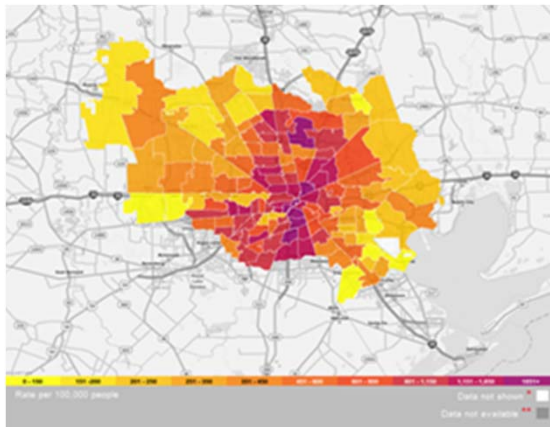
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#3 - New Orleans, Louisiana



#11 - Houston, Texas

**Baton Rouge**

- The rate of Black females living with HIV is 23.0 times that of white females.
- The rate of Hispanic/Latina females living with an HIV diagnosis is 2.9 that of white females.

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New Orleans

- The rate of Black females living with an HIV diagnosis is 9.1 times that of white females.
- The rate of Hispanic/Latina females living with an HIV diagnosis is 3.3 times that of white females.

Houston

- The rate of Black females living with an HIV diagnosis is 16.6 times that of white females.
- The rate of Hispanic/Latina females living with an HIV diagnosis is 2.5 times that of white females.

Slide 23

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Cindy Reeh, 4/26/2018
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-Maps courtesy of AIDSVu.org.
Cindy Reeh, 4/26/2018



Examples of RRNP HIV and Women Activities: Region VI

Community Mobilization, Education, and Training

- Grace Project Conference for Women Living with HIV/AIDS: 2018 theme: “Living Our Truth”
- The Red Pump Project: Cupcakes and Condoms National Tour
- Texas Black Women’s Initiative (TxBWI)
- Bridging the Gap (BTG): The NIA Program



THE RED PUMP PROJECT PRESENTS

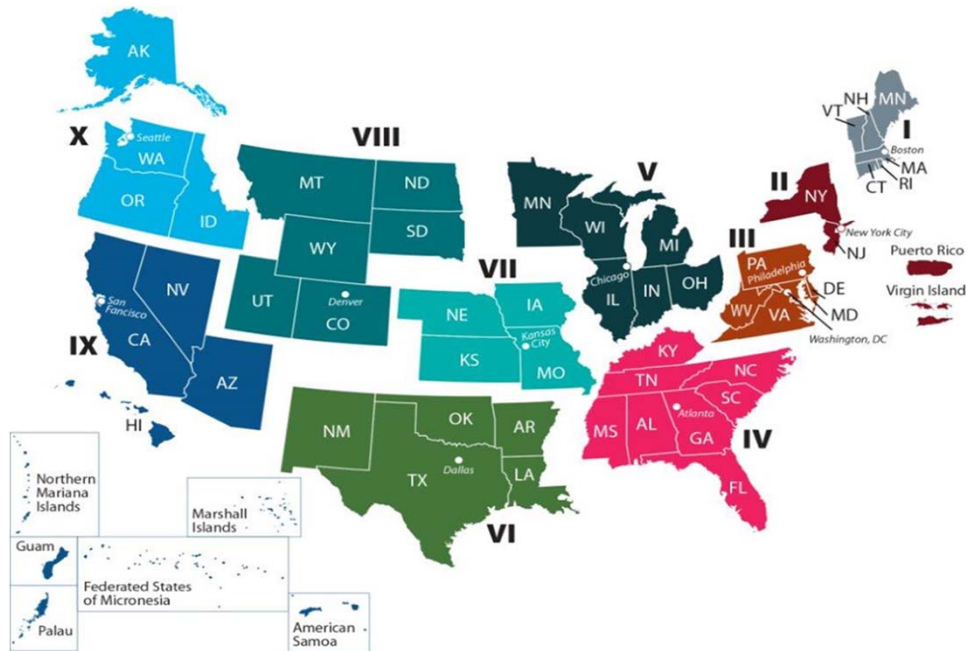


Change begins with ME... HIV ends with US

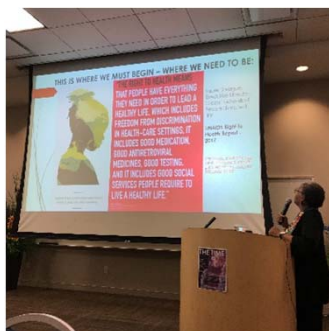




Examples of RRNP HIV and Women Activities



- **Region V:** The Time is Now: Sistas Uplifting Sistas on Health Equity, PrEP and Dismantling Racism— commemorating National Women and Girls HIV/AIDS Awareness Day 2018
- **Region VII:** The Unknown Truth of Kings and Queens— commemorating National Women and Girls HIV/AIDS Awareness Day on March 9, 2018
- **Region VII:** Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. Midwestern Region City-Wide Greek Stroll-Off (3/16)
- **Region IX:** Women and PrEP Webinar, April 2018





**Discussion Segment
With Moderator
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Thank you!

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