

# READY, SET, PrEP



## Frequently Asked Questions from Ready, Set, PrEP Webinar

Below are responses to some of the many questions asked by participants during the January 29, 2020, webinar about Ready, Set, PrEP. Additional responses will be posted in the coming weeks.

The new nationwide program led by HHS provides PrEP medications at no cost to thousands of individuals who qualify. A key component of *Ending the HIV Epidemic: A Plan for America*, Ready, Set, PrEP will expand access to PrEP medications, reduce new HIV infections, and bring us one step closer to ending the HIV epidemic in the United States. To check eligibility and enroll in the program [click here](#).

### Eligibility

- 1. Is the Ready, Set, PrEP program open to anyone, or just individuals living in the EHE jurisdictions?**
  - The Ready, Set, PrEP program is specifically for uninsured individuals nationwide. To receive PrEP through the Ready, Set, PrEP program, an individual must:
    - Test negative for HIV
    - Have a valid prescription for PrEP
    - Not have prescription drug coverage
- 2. Can someone get PrEP from one of the locations before getting an HIV test?**
  - No, to receive PrEP through the Ready, Set, PrEP program, an individual must:
    - Test negative for HIV
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- 3. Are there any income requirements?**
  - No, there is no income-related eligibility requirement for Ready, Set, PrEP. To receive PrEP through the Ready, Set, PrEP program, an individual must:
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- 4. Is there an income cap for eligibility?**
  - No, there is no income-related eligibility requirement for Ready, Set, PrEP. To receive PrEP through the Ready, Set, PrEP program, an individual must:
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5. **Would patients have to worry about co-pays? Is there help for insured patients with co-pays?**
  - For individuals enrolled in the Ready, Set, PrEP program, there is no cost for the medications, so there is no co-pay. Other PrEP medication-assistance programs serve different populations and have different eligibility requirements. For example, some offer co-pay assistance for underinsured individuals, while others are limited to residents of a particular area. The Ready, Set, PrEP program is specifically for uninsured individuals nationwide. NASTAD (National Alliance of State and Territorial AIDS Directors) maintains a list of other PrEP assistance programs at [www.nastad.org/prepcost-resources/prep-assistance-programs](http://www.nastad.org/prepcost-resources/prep-assistance-programs).
6. **If the copayment for PrEP is too high with client's private insurance. Can they have access to this program or it will be solely for the uninsured?**
  - Ready, Set, PrEP is a national program administered by HHS for those who do not have prescription drug coverage, test negative for HIV, and have a valid prescription for PrEP medication.
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7. **Does the patient need to have an HIV+ partner or not?**
  - No. To receive PrEP through the Ready, Set, PrEP program, an individual must:
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## Enrollment

1. **So if our clinic identifies an uninsured patient who would like to begin PrEP, would we call the RSP number or go online to enroll instead of contacting Gilead's Advancing Access program?**
  - Providers or individuals can begin the enrollment process by visiting the website at [GetYourPrEP.com](http://GetYourPrEP.com), calling 855-447-8410, or in person at a healthcare professional's office.
2. **Is there a way to get a copy of the enrollment form for our clients to access the Ready, Set, Prep program? Currently the only way of accessing this would be actually enrolling a client, and we would like to know and train staff on this matter.**
  - The enrollment form can be accessed in [English](#) and in [Spanish](#) from the enrollment portal at [getyourprep.com](http://getyourprep.com).

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## Doctor Visits & Lab Tests

### 1. Will HHS cost coverage include lab costs?

- Ready, Set, PrEP covers 100 percent of the cost of the medications; it does not cover the cost of clinic visits and lab tests that individuals need to obtain or renew a prescription for PrEP medications. Those costs may vary based on a person's income. These services are available at low or no cost from many healthcare providers, including at [Federally Qualified Health Centers](#) that serve people who lack insurance or are ineligible for Medicaid.

### 2. Can we talk more specifically about coverage for labs and office visits for the uninsured/underinsured?

- Many people at risk for HIV lack prescription drug coverage and cannot afford to pay for PrEP. Ready, Set, PrEP is a new HHS program designed to reach those who could benefit from PrEP, providing them with information about PrEP and how they can qualify to receive the medications at no cost. It does not cover the cost of clinic visits and lab tests that people need to obtain or renew a prescription for PrEP. Those costs may vary based on a person's income.
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### 3. Are there funding sources to assist uninsured individuals with cost related to physician visits and laboratory tests required for PrEP?

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### 4. Is Ready, Set, PrEP also covering the cost of provider visits and lab costs for patients without insurance?

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- 5. What specific financial support is available to cover the cost of provider visits and labs through this program?**
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## Educational & Promotional Resources

- 1. Where can we access the social media toolkit and other promotional materials?**
  - The [social media toolkit](#) and other Ready, Set, PrEP promotional materials are available on [HIV.gov's "Ready, Set, PrEP Resources" page](#)
- 2. Are these communication materials will be in Spanish?**
  - Yes. Spanish language materials were posted on February 3. See <https://www.hiv.gov/federal-response/ending-the-hiv-epidemic/prep-program-resources>. Also, [read the related blog post](#).
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- 4. Will marketing and educational material be available in Spanish?**
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