HRSA HIV/AIDS Bureau Updates
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HRSA’s HIV/AIDS Bureau (HRSA HAB) Vision and Mission

**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 with HIV and their families.
Race/Ethnicity Distribution of All RWHAP Clients and RWHAP Clients Receiving Services in Select Jurisdictions, 2017

- **RWHAP overall**
  - N= 531,349

- **Puerto Rico**
  - N=11,704
  - American Indian/Alaskan Native: 23.1%
  - Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander: 26.4%
  - Asian: 47.1%
  - White: 99.0%

- **San Juan, PR**
  - N=9,969
  - American Indian/Alaskan Native: 25.0%
  - Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander: 23.7%
  - Asian: 49.7%
  - White: 99.0%

- **Florida**
  - N=54,469
  - American Indian/Alaskan Native: 51.2%
  - Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander: 7.4%
  - Asian: 40.6%
  - White: 99.0%

- **Miami, FL**
  - N=13,262
  - American Indian/Alaskan Native: 51.2%
  - Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander: 7.4%
  - Asian: 40.6%
  - White: 99.0%

* Hispanics/Latinos can be of any race.

### Viral Suppression among Hispanic/Latino RWHAP Clients Receiving Services in Puerto Rico and San Juan, PR, 2017

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<th>Hispanic/Latino Key Populations</th>
<th>Puerto Rico (all clients)</th>
<th>San Juan, PR</th>
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<tr>
<td>Overall</td>
<td>87.8%</td>
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<td>PWID</td>
<td>84.0%</td>
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<td>≤100% FPL</td>
<td>86.7%</td>
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<td>Youth (13-24 years)</td>
<td>74.3%</td>
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<td>Stable Housing</td>
<td>88.2%</td>
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<td>Temporary Housing</td>
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#### Source:

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Viral suppression: ≥1 OAHS visit during the calendar year and ≥1 viral load reported, with the last viral load result <200 copies/mL.
Viral Suppression among Hispanic/Latino RWHAP Clients Receiving Services in Florida and in Miami, FL, 2017

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HRSA EHE Listening Sessions – Key Themes

• Addressing mental health, substance use, transportation, incarceration, and homelessness is critical to reach people not in care

• Leveraging community strengths by hiring community health workers, peer navigators, peer specialists, etc.

• Planning for EHE needs to include community-based organizations, people with HIV, and new partners

• Supporting training for clinic staff to ensure that culturally responsive and supportive experiences happen for clients (for care and PrEP)

• Addressing stigma, distrust, and criminalization laws
Identifying the Challenges Ahead

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
Addressing Challenges: Meeting Needs of Latinx People with HIV

**Address Stigma: Culturally-Appropriate Interventions**
- Using Evidence-Informed Interventions to Improve Health Outcomes (E2i)
- Capacity Building in the RWHAP to Support Innovative Program Model Replication
- HRSA HAB Compilation of Best Practice Strategies and Interventions
- Disseminating Evidence-Informed Approaches to Improve Health Outcomes

**Engage Community & Experts**
- Building Leaders of Color (BLOC)
- Evaluation of RWHAP Eligibility and Recertification
- Reimagining RWHAP Part D
- Technical Expert Panels: Housing; People who are Justice-Involved; Women; People Over 50

**Build Capacity: Workforce & Infrastructure**
- Strengthening Systems of Care for People with HIV and Opioid Use Disorder
- Rapid Eligibility Determinations
- Guidance on RWHAP Services in Correctional Settings
- Guidance to Improve Administration of Housing Services
Thank You!

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