Indian Health Service

Ending the HIV Epidemic in Indian Country

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HIV in Indian Country

Current Statistics:

- CDC reports a 63% increase in HIV rates among gay and bisexual AI/AN men
- The undiagnosed rate for AI/AN living with HIV ~ 18%
- Roughly 53% of all AI/AN diagnosed with HIV were receiving continuous HIV care

HIV in Indian Country (2)

Current Statistics:

- AI/AN men who have sex with men accounted for 78% of all HIV cases among AI/AN in 2013
- AI/AN women show a rate of HIV diagnosis that is three times the rate of White women

Cherokee Nation HIV Pilot

Objectives:

1. Implement a public education campaign centering on HIV care and HIV prevention;
2. Educate providers on the need to have discussions about the sexual health of the patients;

Cherokee Nation HIV Pilot (2)

Objectives:

3. Identify and link to care persons who currently access Cherokee Nation Health Services (CNHS) and are at high risk for contracting HIV; and
4. Establish a robust PrEP program within the CNHS.

Tribal Epi Center NOFO

- Only current TEC grantees are eligible to apply for the competing supplemental funding under this announcement
- Two levels of funding
  - Group A: TEC Projects <u>not</u> in Phase One Jurisdictions
  - Group B: TEC Projects in Phase One Jurisdictions
- Total funding is approximately $2.4 million
- Published in the Federal Register on Aug 6, 2019
  - FR Document 2019-16760
  - FR Document 2019-16761

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Tribal Epidemiology Centers receiving supplemental funding for activities in support of the *Ending the HIV Epidemic: A Plan for America* initiative for 2019.

Listening to our Communities

IHS leadership will be conducting listening sessions throughout Indian Country.

The IHS National HIV Program is funding the National Indian Health Board and the National Council of Urban Indian Health to conduct HIV and HCV listening sessions.

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