



# Houston Area Comprehensive HIV Prevention and Care Services Plan for 2017-2021

## Executive Map

### Vision

The greater Houston area will become a community with an enhanced system of HIV prevention and care. New HIV infections will be reduced to zero. Should new HIV infections occur, every person, regardless of sex, race, color, ethnicity, national origin, age, familial status, marital status, military status, religion, disability, sexual orientation, genetic information, gender identity, pregnancy, or socio-economic circumstance, will have unfettered access to high-quality, life-extending care, free of stigma and discrimination

### Mission

The mission of the 2017-2021 Houston Area Comprehensive HIV Prevention & Care Services Plan is to work in partnership with the community to provide an effective system of HIV prevention and care services that best meets the needs of populations living with, affected by, or at risk for HIV

### Goals

1. Increase community mobilization around HIV in the Greater Houston area.
2. Prevent and reduce new HIV infections.
3. Ensure that all people living with or at risk for HIV have access to early and continuous HIV prevention and care services.
4. Reduce the effect of co-occurring conditions that hinder HIV prevention behaviors and adherence to care.
5. Reduce disparities in the Houston Area HIV epidemic and address the needs of vulnerable populations.
6. Increase community knowledge around HIV in the Greater Houston area.

### Priority Populations

Aging (age 50 and up)

Homeless

Incarcerated or Recently Released from Jail or Prison

Injection Drug Users (IDU)

Men who have Sex with Men (MSM)

Transgender and Gender Non-conforming

Women of Color (regardless of sex at birth)

Youth (age 13-24)

### Objectives

1. Reduce the number of new HIV infections diagnosed in the Houston Area by at least 25% from 1,386 to ≤1,004.
2. Maintain and, if possible, increase the percentage of individuals with a positive HIV test result identified through targeted HIV testing who are informed of their positive HIV status, beginning at 93.8%.
3. Increase the proportion of newly-diagnosed individuals linked to clinical HIV care within one month of their HIV diagnosis to at least 85% from 66%.
- 4.1 Decrease the percentage of new HIV diagnoses with an HIV stage 3 (AIDS) diagnosis within one year by 25% from 25.9% to 19.4%.
- 4.2 Decrease the percentage of new HIV diagnoses with an HIV stage 3 (AIDS) diagnosis within one year among Hispanic and Latino men age 35 and up by 25% from 36.0% to 27.0%.
5. Increase the percentage of Ryan White Program clients who are in continuous HIV care from 75.0 % to at least 90.0%.
6. Increase the percentage of individuals with diagnosed HIV infection in the Houston Area who are retained in HIV medical care from 60.0% to at least 90.0%.
7. Maintain, and if possible, increase the proportion of Ryan White Program clients who are virally suppressed from 80.4% to at least 90.0%.
8. Increase the percentage of individuals with diagnosed HIV infection in the Houston Area who are virally suppressed from 57.0% to at least 80.0%.
9. Increase the number of gay and bisexual men of color and women of color receiving pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) education each year to at least 2,000.

### Strategies

1. Strategy for Prevention and Early Identification
2. Strategy to Bridge Gaps in Care and Reach the Out-Of-Care
3. Strategy to Address the Needs of Special Populations
4. Strategy for Improving Coordination of Effort