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In response to public inquiries for more information on HIV-related programs administered or initiated by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), the Office of HIV/AIDS Policy—which advises the Assistant Secretary for Health and senior department officials on the development of HIV/AIDS policy and the implementation of HIV/AIDS programs and activities across the Department's health agencies—has developed *HIV/AIDS and Minorities: A Guide to Federal Programs*.

The *Guide* contains information on the agencies within DHHS that are involved in HIV/AIDS-related activities, highlighting their minority-focused HIV/AIDS programs. The *Guide* does not include all of the Federal agencies and their programs, but does contain relevant information that can be used by organizations providing HIV-prevention and care services.

We hope that this *Guide* will facilitate future information-sharing between Federal agencies and the public. It is our goal to keep the *Guide* and its information as current and accurate as possible. To achieve this, we will be updating it regularly and will make it accessible through the Web page of the Office of Minority Health (www.omhrc.gov/omh/aids/hiv2001.pdf). To ensure that the information on the Web is current and accurate, we welcome your comments. Please contact Miguel Gomez, Department of Health and Human Services, Office of HIV/AIDS Policy, via e-mail at mgomez@osophs.dhhs.gov regarding any questions or concerns.

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INTRODUCTION

HIV/AIDS and Minorities: A Guide to Federal Programs is a directory of agencies within the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) that are involved in HIV/AIDS service provision and related activities, highlighting their minority-focused HIV/AIDS programs. These agencies include: the Office of Public Health and Science (OPHS); the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA); the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA); the National Institutes of Health (NIH); the Indian Health Service (IHS); the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC); the Agency for Health Care, Research and Quality (AHRQ); the Food and Drug Administration (FDA); the Administration for Children and Families (ACF); the Administration on Aging (AOA); and the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA). Also included in the Guide is information on the Veterans' Administration (VA), Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Office of HIV/AIDS Housing, as well as several clearinghouses and services. These services include: CDC National Prevention Information Network (NPIN), the National STD and AIDS Hotlines, the AIDS Clinical Trials Information Service (ACTIS), the HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service (ATIS), and the National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information (NCADI). Finally, a quick reference list of Web pages and toll-free numbers for health information, as well as other useful information, is provided in the appendices.

This revised *Guide* (2001) updates and expands upon information provided in the *AIDS Guide to Federal Agencies and Resources*, produced by the National Council of La Raza in June 1991. It will remain a living document, updated regularly, and accessible through the Web pages of the Surgeon General (www.surgeongeneral.gov) and the Office of Minority Health (www.omhrc.gov).

HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE

The *Guide* contains two sections: Agency Information and Appendices.

The *Agency Information* section contains information for the principal DHHS agencies, organizational components, and other HIV/AIDS-related services. The DHHS agencies appear in alphabetical order followed by the components they administer. Each entry contains the following information:

Name of the administering agency, sub-agency, clearinghouse, or service;

Address, phone, fax, and Web page information for the agency;

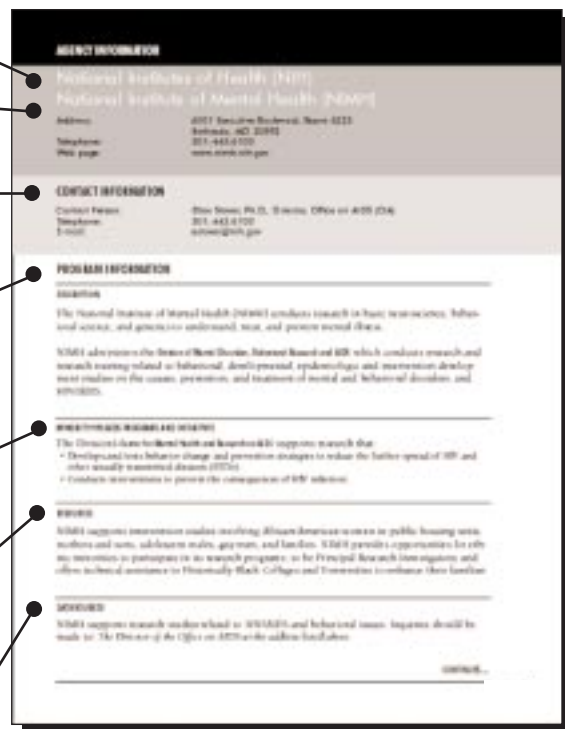
Contact information for the agency (including contact person, phone, and email address), if available;

Program information summarizing the HIV/AIDS activities of the agency;

Minority HIV/AIDS programs and initiatives summarizing the program activities that are directed to ethnic minority populations and HIV/AIDS; and

Resources such as funding opportunities, publications, and technical assistance and training services, where available.

Data Sources which includes statistical data compiled by the agency, where available.



The *Appendices* contain a matrix illustrating the services available from each of the agencies, a reference list of Web pages and toll-free numbers for health information, and diagrams of selected agencies and their organizational components.



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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
AND HUMAN SERVICES (DHHS)

AGENCY INFORMATION

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) is the principal health agency of the Federal government. Its mission is to protect and advance the health of the nation's citizens.

DHHS administers 12 health agencies:

- Administration for Children and Families (ACF)
- Administration on Aging (AOA)
- Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ)
- Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR)
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
- Food and Drug Administration (FDA)
- Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA)
- Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)
- Indian Health Service (IHS)
- National Institutes of Health (NIH)
- Program Support Center (PSC)
- Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)

All the agencies listed above, except for the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry and the Program Support Center, have specific HIV/AIDS programs and activities. In addition, the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Health operates five Offices which address HIV/AIDS programs and activities:

- Office of Civil Rights (OCR)
- Office of HIV/AIDS Policy (OHAP)
- Office of Minority Health (OMH)
- Office of Population Affairs (OPA)
- Office of Women's Health (OWH)

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OCR: The **Office of Civil Rights** protects the rights of individuals with HIV/AIDS under Section 504. This law protects qualified individuals from discrimination based solely on their handicap. The law prohibits discrimination against persons infected with HIV; and forbids an entity which receives federal funds from excluding or denying individuals with handicaps an equal opportunity to receive program benefits and services.

OHAP: The **Office of HIV/AIDS Policy** advises the Assistant Secretary for Health and senior DHHS officials on the appropriate and timely development of HIV/AIDS policy; helps to establish priorities; and assists in the implementation of HIV/AIDS programs, activities, and initiatives across DHHS health agencies.

OMH: The **Office of Minority Health** promotes improved health among racial and ethnic minority populations. It is responsible for coordinating minority health policy and programs by linking Federal, State and local governments with community-based organizations that work with minority populations. In addition, OMH disseminates information on minority health issues through its Resource Center.

OPA: The **Office of Population Affairs** administers two grant programs: the Title X Family Planning Program, and the Title XX Adolescent Family Life Program. Both programs provide resources and policy advice on family planning, reproductive health, and adolescent pregnancy issues.

OWH: The **Office of Women's Health** coordinates women's health research, health care services, policy, and public and health care professional education across various government organizations and consumer and health care professional groups. OWH also operates the Women and HIV/AIDS Collaborative Group and the Secretary's Workgroup on Women and HIV/AIDS.

ACF: The **Administration on Children and Families** operates the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) program, which replaced the Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) in 1997. TANF provides financial assistance and work opportunities to needy families through State and Federal funds. In addition, ACF operates several programs that work to make adoptions and temporary child care for children with special needs easier.

AOA: The **Administration on Aging** administers programs of the Older Americans Act, and is the Federal focal point and advocate agency for older persons and their concerns. AOA programs are decentralized, allowing states to direct their services toward areas of need within their communities.

AHRQ: The **Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality** works to enhance the quality, appropriateness, and effectiveness of health care services and to improve access to that care. AHRQ also conducts and supports health services research on the quality, cost, and availability of health care services, as well as the appropriateness of clinical practice and prevention of disease.

ATSDR: The **Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry** strives to prevent adverse human health effects and diminished quality of life associated with exposure to hazardous substances from waste sites, unplanned releases, and other sources of pollution present in the environment. Directed by a Congressional mandate, ATSDR performs public health assessments of waste sites; provides health consultations concerning specific hazardous substances; conducts and records health surveillance; responds to emergency releases of hazardous substances; applies research in support of public

health assessments, information development and dissemination; and, provides education and training concerning hazardous substances.

CDC: The **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention** provide leadership in the prevention and control of diseases and other preventable conditions that threaten the public health. The HIV program of CDC has five major components. The components include: (1) technical and financial assistance to State and local health and education agencies, minority and other national, regional, and community-based organizations for HIV/AIDS surveillance, research, prevention, and intervention activities; (2) national public information activities, including hotlines, an information clearinghouse, online treatment and referral Web pages and databases, and media campaigns; (3) HIV/AIDS surveillance and research activities that produce information about the number of HIV (where available) and AIDS cases; HIV transmission; HIV/AIDS-related knowledge, attitudes, and beliefs; and prevention and control of the disease in the United States; (4) HIV prevention guidelines, recommendations, and training; and (5) program evaluation.

FDA: The **Food and Drug Administration** ensures the safety and effectiveness of drugs, biological materials, vaccines, and medical devices, including those used in the diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of HIV infection, AIDS, and AIDS-associated opportunistic infections. The FDA is also responsible for maintaining the safety of the blood supply through licensing and regulatory programs.

HCFA: The **Health Care Financing Administration** administers the Medicaid program, oversees the Medicare program, and co-administers (with HRSA) the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). The Medicaid program provides primary health care and pharmaceutical assistance coverage for individuals, including those living with HIV/AIDS.

HRSA: The **Health Resources and Services Administration** is responsible for the grant programs authorized by the Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resources Emergency (CARE) Act, reauthorized in 2000. HRSA's HIV/AIDS Bureau (HAB) coordinates the Federal AIDS programs relating to patient care, health services delivery, data collection, and the training of health care professionals. Other HRSA Bureaus include the Bureau of Primary Health Care (BPHC), which directs programs to provide access to health care for underserved communities; and the Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB), which operates health programs that serve mothers, infants, children, and adolescents.

IHS: The **Indian Health Service** provides a comprehensive health service delivery system for American Indians and Alaskan Natives which encourages maximum tribal involvement in developing and managing programs to meet their health needs. The agency operates the HIV Center of Excellence (HIVCOE), a primary health care facility specializing in issues of HIV and STD prevention and treatment within the Native American community.

NIH: The **National Institutes of Health** is responsible for supporting and conducting biomedical research. Its work includes the development of candidate vaccines, drugs, and other treatments to prevent and control HIV infection. NIH also supports clinical trials that evaluate the effectiveness of specific drugs and treatments. In addition, it collaborates with other DHHS agencies on research involving such issues as regulatory approval of new drugs and the safety of the blood supply.

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SAMHSA: The **Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration** administers three centers that coordinate Federal programs related to substance abuse and mental health services: the Center for Mental Health Services (CMHS), the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP), and the Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT). In addition, special offices focus and coordinate the agency's work in areas of AIDS, women, minorities, policy, care, prevention, and treatment. SAMHSA supports research directed toward understanding and assessing neurological, psychiatric, behavioral, and psychosocial aspects of HIV infection. As part of its research programs, it also supports the development of drug and alcohol abuse treatment and prevention strategies, as well as training for clinicians on aspects of substance abuse and the mental health of HIV/AIDS clients.

See the individual listings that follow each of the agency units described above for additional information on HIV/AIDS programs and ethnic minority communities.

MINORITY HIV/AIDS PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES

- The goals of the Initiative to Eliminate Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Health are to eliminate health disparities experienced by racial and ethnic minority populations in six different areas: infant mortality, cancer screening and management, cardiovascular disease, diabetes, HIV infection/AIDS, and immunization. The Initiative proposes enhanced efforts at preventing disease, promoting health, and delivering care to racial/ethnic minority communities. These efforts include consultation and collaboration with Federal agencies; State, local, and tribal governments; and community professionals to research and address issues of education, environment, income, and other socio-economic factors that affect health outcomes.
- In cooperation with the Congressional Black Caucus, DHHS has developed the Minority AIDS Initiative, aimed at reducing the disproportionate impact of HIV/AIDS on racial and ethnic communities. Funding will be allocated to Public Health Service agencies to develop technical assistance and infrastructure support programs, increase access to prevention and care, and to build stronger methods of addressing the needs of specific populations. As part of these initiatives, DHHS makes Crisis Response Teams available to communities, which provide technical assistance in addressing HIV/AIDS within minority populations.

Other

- Federal agencies have developed their own unique programs or special offices that target services, policy, and leadership in the area of HIV/AIDS and ethnic minority communities.

RESOURCES

The Department of Health and Human Services provides the following resources through its 12 agencies:

- Funding for HIV/AIDS prevention, education, planning, and service delivery programs;
- Education and training materials;
- Training, workshops, and conferences;
- Hotlines, clearinghouses, Web pages, and online databases;
- Research programs, including the opportunity to participate in community-based clinical trials of new drugs and treatments; and
- General information and statistics on HIV/AIDS.

See each agency listing for specific resources and contact information.

AGENCY INFORMATION

Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Regional Resource Network Project

Address: Cicatelli Associates Inc.
505 Eighth Avenue, 20th Floor, New York, New York 10018-6505
Telephone: (212) 594-7741
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PROGRAM INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION

The Regional Resource Network Project (RRNP) is a national project that fosters capacity-building of small, community-based organizations to provide HIV/AIDS prevention and early intervention services to poor, minority communities disproportionately impacted by HIV/AIDS, STDs, and unwanted pregnancies. The project focuses on improving the coordination, comprehensiveness, and quality of HIV/AIDS service provision by bringing together community-based organizations, primarily those providing support services to communities of color, into Federal regional planning and networking efforts. Funding for this project comes from the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC) Minority HIV/AIDS Initiative.

RESOURCES

Funding:

Limited funds (\$2,500 maximum) are available to support capacity-building activities within smaller agencies and organizations. Organizations are eligible for these funds if they:

- have an operating budget under \$750,000;
- have been in existence for more than one year; and
- provide HIV/AIDS services to poor, minority populations.

In addition, organizations selected will be those serving racial and ethnic minorities in high incidence communities. *For more information contact the Regional Resource Network consultant in the respective regional office.*

Publications:

RRN offers regionally-based resource handbooks for HIV/AIDS services which reference community-based organizations that provide support and ancillary services to individuals and families affected and infected by HIV/AIDS.

Technical Assistance/Training:

Some technical assistance, training and/or referrals for same available. *Please contact the RRN Coordinator in your region for more information.*

AGENCY INFORMATION

Administration for Children and Families (ACF)

Address: 370 L'Enfant Promenade, S.W. Aerospace Building
Washington, DC 20447
Telephone: 202-401-9220
Fax: 202-205-3598
Web page: <http://www.acf.dhhs.gov>

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION

The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) is responsible for a range of Federal assistance and service programs that promote the economic and social well-being of families, children, individuals, and communities. Organizationally, ACF includes the Office of Family Assistance; Office of Child Support Enforcement; Office of Refugee Resettlement; Administration on Children, Youth, and Families; Administration for Native Americans; Administration on Development Disabilities; and the Office of Community Services. ACF administers almost 50 comprehensive and supportive programs for vulnerable children and families in cooperation with State and local agencies and organizations.

Although no ACF funds are targeted specifically for HIV/AIDS programs, individuals, children, and families with HIV/AIDS are included among the populations served. ACF programs that assist families affected by HIV/AIDS include the following:

- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) is the new welfare reform block grant program that provides wide flexibility to States to develop and implement their own assistance and work opportunities programs. Some families and children with HIV/AIDS may receive income support and services under this program.
- Head Start programs, administered by local public and private non-profit agencies, provide comprehensive child development services—educational, social, health, and nutritional—to primarily low-income children and families. Head Start programs, including the Early Head Start program that serves pregnant women, infants, and toddlers, address the needs of all families and children in the program, including those affected by HIV/AIDS.
- Child Welfare Services represent a range of programs for abandoned infants (particularly those orphaned by the AIDS epidemic), abused and neglected children, children in foster care, adolescents in independent living status, and children placed for adoption. Administered by both State public and private agencies, each of these programs may serve children and families affected by HIV/AIDS.

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- Runaway and Homeless Youth Programs, administered by local public and non-profit agencies offer temporary shelter to runaway and homeless youth, and counseling for the youth and their families. Local programs may also provide medical diagnostic services, assistance in obtaining medical treatment, prevention, and education services related to HIV/AIDS.
 - Services for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities—National Network of University Centers for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities Education, Research and Service. This network is made up of public and non-profit private agencies affiliated with a university to provide clinical services; community-based service programs; technical assistance to State and community services organizations; and public information. These university programs also carry out teaching, training, and research activities. Children and families affected by HIV/AIDS are among the populations served. Projects address employment options for adults; adoption; underserved families in urban, high-poverty communities; developmental and abuse issues for children; mental health issues; and multiple disabilities.

MINORITY HIV/AIDS PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES

Minority children and families with HIV/AIDS are served under all of the above ACF programs.

RESOURCES

Funding:

Funding is available to State and local grantees to support the above programs. Other ACF programs that may also serve persons affected by HIV/AIDS include programs to obtain child support and programs to serve refugee populations, Native Americans, and other low-income persons.

Publications:

Information on the TANF program is available on the ACF web page: <http://www.acf.dhhs.gov>.

The Head Start Information and Publications Center, a service of the Head Start Bureau in ACF, supports the Head Start community and other organizations working in the interest of children and families by providing information products and services; conferences and meeting support; publication distribution; and marketing and outreach efforts. *The Center can be reached at <http://www.headstartinfo.org>.*

The National Abandoned Infants Assistance Resource Center provides information, training, and support to programs and professionals serving drug- and HIV/AIDS-affected families and abandoned infants. *For more information contact the center by phone: 510-643-8390 or fax: 510-643-7019.*

The National Clearinghouse on Child Abuse and Neglect Information provides fact sheets, user manual series, statistical information, bibliographies, prevention resources, and resource listings related to child abuse and neglect, child welfare, and related issues. They also provide information on publications regarding HIV/AIDS issues impacting children and families, such as the placement of children whose parents have HIV/AIDS, abandoned/boarder babies, and the risk of HIV/AIDS transmission to victims of child sexual abuse. *For more information contact: National Clearinghouse on Child Abuse and Neglect Information, phone: 800-394-3366, fax: 703-385-3206 or e-mail: nccanch@calib.com; Web page: <http://www.calib.com/nccanch>.*

Technical Assistance/Training:

ACF has not sponsored recent technical assistance or training efforts related specifically to HIV/AIDS.

DATA SOURCES

ACF collects no information or data related to HIV/AIDS.

AGENCY INFORMATION

Administration on Aging (AOA)

Address: 330 Independence Avenue, S.W.
Washington, DC 20201
Telephone: 202-619-0724
Fax: 202-401-7620
Web page: <http://www.aoa.gov>

CONTACT INFORMATION

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION

The Administration on Aging (AOA) administers the programs of the Older Americans Act (OAA) and serves as the Federal focal point and advocate agency for older persons and their concerns. The AOA works to heighten awareness among other Federal agencies, organizations, groups, and the public about the contributions that older individuals make and alerts them of their needs.

Appropriated funds are allotted to State Agencies on Aging, which distribute these funds to Area Agencies on Aging to coordinate and arrange for the delivery, through more than 27,000 provider agencies, of home- and community-based supportive and nutrition services. OAA programs are available to all older individuals, but services are targeted at low income and minority individuals, residents of rural areas, those living alone, and those with disabilities which require assistance.

RESOURCES

Publications:

The National Aging Information Center is a central source for a wide variety of publications, policy documents, program information, and statistical data on older Americans. *The Center makes available an online database for consumer access of information on the aging, which can be accessed through www.aoa.gov/naic; phone: 202-619-7501; fax: 202-401-7620.*

AGENCY INFORMATION

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ)

Address: Executive Office Center, Suite 600
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Telephone: 301-594-6662

Fax: 301-594-2168

Web page: <http://www.ahrq.gov>

PROGRAM INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION

The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) is the lead agency charged with supporting research designed to improve the quality of health care, reduce its cost, and broaden access to essential services. The agency is comprised of nine major functional components:

- Office of Management
- Office of Research Review, Education, and Policy
- Office of Health Care Information
- Center for Practice and Technology Assessment
- Center for Outcomes and Effectiveness Research
- Center for Primary Care Research
- Center for Organization and Delivery Studies
- Center for Cost and Financing Studies
- Center for Quality Measurements and Improvement

AHRQ's HIV/AIDS-related activities include the following:

HIV/AIDS Guidelines and Studies

- Information is available on activities related to AIDS and cost, treatment, and research outcomes.
- AHRQ provides financial support for the HIV Cost and Services Utilization Study (HCSUS). HCSUS is conducted by the RAND Corporation (a non-profit research institution) and it examines costs of care, utilization of a wide array of services, access to care, quality of care, quality of life, unmet needs for medical and non-medical services, social support, satisfaction with medical care, and knowledge of HIV therapies. *For more information on this study contact: John Fleishman; Center for Cost and Financing Studies, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), 2101 East Jefferson Street, Suite 500, Rockville, MD 20852; phone: 301-594-2007; e-mail: jfleishm@ahrq.gov.*

MINORITY HIV/AIDS PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES

AHRQ is committed to providing opportunities for research and demonstrations to identify effective approaches to reduce or eliminate the existing disparities in the quality, outcomes, and access

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to care for minority populations for conditions that include HIV/AIDS. Past research efforts of the agency include: research on issues pertaining to health care access and the problems minority populations face in trying to access services; model outreach programs targeting minority groups; and assessing the health care needs of minority women with AIDS.

RESOURCES

Funding:

AHRQ funds research projects that examine: the availability, quality, and cost of health care services; ways to improve the effectiveness and appropriateness of clinical practice, including the prevention of disease; and, other areas of health services research. AHRQ also supports small grants, conference grants, and training to institutions and individuals. *Inquiries can be directed to: Equals Three Communications, 7910 Woodmont Avenue, Suite 200, Bethesda, MD 20814; phone: 301-656-3100; fax: 301-652-5264; e-mail: mdl@equals3.com.*

Publications:

AHRQ, in partnership with the American Association of Health Plans and the American Medical Association, is sponsoring a World Wide Web-based National Guideline Clearinghouse (NGC). The Web page can be accessed through www.guideline.gov. Information available in English and Spanish include standardized abstracts, comparison of guidelines covering similar topics, and topic-related online groups.

The agency makes available an online database for consumer research on different health issues through AHRQ's Web page.

AGENCY INFORMATION

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (NCCDPHP)

Address: 1600 Clifton Road, N.E.
Atlanta, GA 30333
Telephone: 404-639-8043
Fax: 404-639-8910
Web page: <http://www.cdc.gov/nccdphp>

PROGRAM INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION

The National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (NCCDPHP) administers two divisions that work to promote healthy behaviors and health education for the general public in relation to HIV and AIDS.

The **Division of Adolescent and School Health** works to provide:

- Funds to States to develop school health programs that include HIV prevention;
- Funds for training of teachers and education agencies to provide HIV/STD (sexually transmitted disease) prevention education;
- Partnerships with Federal and professional organizations to develop policies and guidelines; and
- Technical assistance to States, local entities, and national organizations to evaluate the quality and effectiveness of the prevention programs.

The School Health Education Curricula program identifies and disseminates health education curricula that have well-documented evidence of effectiveness in reducing health risk behaviors among youth. The following programs target students and HIV/AIDS prevention:

- Reducing the Risk, a program for students in grades 9-10 that provides various interactive instructional strategies addressing teen sexual risk-taking and HIV prevention;
- Get Real About AIDS, an HIV prevention program for students in grades 9-12 addressing knowledge, perceptions of vulnerability, and skills for avoiding risky behaviors;
- Be Proud! Be Responsible!, a program for urban youth that stresses developing refusal, negotiation, and other skills that reduce risky behaviors for HIV infection; and
- Becoming a Responsible Teen, a program for African-American youth aged 13-18 that teaches assertive communication skills, limit-setting, refusal, and negotiation skills for HIV prevention.

The **Division of Reproductive Health** provides direction and, identifies needs, objectives, and recommendations to NCCDPHP in the area of reproductive health. The Division also supports research in the areas of effective development of interventions to prevent HIV/AIDS, STDs, and unwanted pregnancies.

AGENCY INFORMATION

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention

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Fax: 404-639-8600
Web page: <http://www.cdc.gov/nchstp/od/nchstp.html>

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National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention
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PROGRAM INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION

The National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention is responsible for:

- Working with States and local communities to track the course of HIV and AIDS (public health surveillance);
- Working to evaluate new tools and techniques for preventing HIV transmission through biomedical and behavioral interventions;
- Collaborating with scientists and researchers on HIV vaccines by providing expertise in the areas of site selection and virologic and immunologic investigations;
- Working with communities to determine the impact of HIV prevention programs and how programs may be improved;
- Funding HIV prevention programs for high-risk populations through State and local health departments, national/regional minority organizations, national business, labor, faith partnerships, and community-based organizations (CBOs);
- Operating a national program to help schools and other youth-serving agencies deliver effective HIV prevention health education; and
- Assisting the Public Health Service, State and local health departments, hospitals, and professional organizations in the prevention and control of occupationally acquired HIV infection.

In addition, communities can access information about replicable HIV prevention programs through the Center's Prevention Research Synthesis Database.

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As part of the Congressional Black Caucus Initiative, the CDC funds several programs that work with ethnic/racial communities.

- The Community-Based HIV Prevention Services Program provides funds to support cooperative agreements for HIV prevention projects with CBOs serving African Americans at increased risk of acquiring or transmitting HIV infection.
- The Capacity-Building Assistance Program provides funds for cooperative agreements with non-governmental minority organizations to develop and implement comprehensive, regionally structured, capacity

building assistance for CDC-funded CBOs providing HIV prevention services to African-American populations at high risk for HIV.

- The Faith Initiative provides funds for cooperative agreements to support comprehensive HIV/AIDS education and prevention programs within African American faith, religious and spiritual communities in three categories: Category I - Direct HIV Prevention Services; Category II - Capacity Building Assistance Programs; and Category III - Curriculum Development and Training Programs.
- The Gay Men of Color program provides funds for cooperative agreements with non-governmental minority organizations to support: (1) CBOs delivering HIV prevention services to gay men of color; and (2) non-governmental minority organizations providing comprehensive, regionally-focused, capacity-building assistance to CBOs serving the HIV prevention needs of gay men of color.
- The Community Coalition Development Program provides funds to support African American community coalitions to plan and develop linked networks of HIV, STD, TB, substance abuse, and primary care services within their respective communities.

In addition, the Community Assistance, Planning, and National Partnerships Branch (CAPNPB) provides funding for:

- CBOs Serving Minority Populations for cooperative agreements for HIV prevention projects for minority CBOs serving populations at increased risk of acquiring or transmitting HIV infection; and
- National/Regional Minority Organizations (NRMOS) that provide financial and programmatic assistance to national, regional, and local non-governmental minority organizations to develop and implement regionally structured and integrated capacity building assistance systems.

RESOURCES

Publications:

The National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention offers surveillance reports, fact sheets, newsletters, brochures, and slides are available online at www.cdc.gov/nchstp/hiv_aids. *Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Reports* are available through the CDC National Prevention Information Network (NPIN), www.cdcnpin.org. Free online subscriptions are available through the CDC subscription Web page: <http://www.cdc.gov/subscribe.html>.

Technical Assistance/Training:

The CDC operates the National Network of STD/HIV Prevention Training Centers, which provides training to clinicians and prevention workers on a variety of topics related to HIV/STD prevention. Trainings are available through 10 regional training centers or through satellite broadcasts.

Information on training schedules and topics can be accessed through the Center's Web page: <http://www.stdptc.uc.edu>.

AGENCY INFORMATION

Food And Drug Administration (FDA)

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Rockville, MD 20857
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Web page: <http://www.fda.gov>

CONTACT INFORMATION

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is charged with enforcing the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, and is the principal consumer protection agency of the Federal government. The FDA is responsible for ensuring that both prescription and over-the-counter drugs are safe and effective (including those used for treatment of HIV/AIDS and related symptoms), protecting the safety and wholesomeness of food, routinely investigating blood bank operations, ensuring the purity and effectiveness of biological materials, ensuring the safety and risk of medical devices (including HIV testing instruments and condoms), and approving the safety of chemicals used in cosmetic products. The FDA monitors consumer products suspected of being faulty or unfit for use, including drugs on the market which claim to cure AIDS.

- In 1992, the FDA published the final rule to accelerate the approval of New Therapies for serious and life-threatening diseases when the drug provides meaningful therapeutic benefit over existing products. Under these procedures, the FDA may approve drugs based on results that reasonably predict that a drug provides clinical benefit. This clinical benefit is then confirmed through additional human studies that will be completed after marketing approval. The accelerated approval approach provides for removal of the drug from the market, if further studies do not confirm the clinical benefit of the therapy. Information on new therapies can be accessed through the AIDS Clinical Trials Information Service.
- The HIV/AIDS Program, Office of Special Health Issues, works to educate, represent, and explain to the HIV-affected community current HIV/AIDS policies, regulations, and activities of the FDA. In addition, the Office represents the FDA at public and government meetings related to serious and life threatening illnesses, and assists in the development of federal regulations related to HIV/AIDS.
- The Office of Special Health Issues coordinates the FDA Patient Representative Program, which provides *ad hoc* patient representatives at Antiviral Drugs Advisory Committee meetings. The patient representative generally provides views or opinions on problems or questions pertinent to the patient's point of view. The Antiviral

Drugs Advisory Committee reviews most applications for HIV/AIDS-related therapeutics that are submitted to FDA.

- The AIDS Fraud Task Forces throughout the United States use a proactive approach to review fraudulent product and/or treatment promotions affecting people with HIV/AIDS and their partners, family, and friends. The network strives to promote awareness and prevent fraud through education that empowers individuals. The Task Forces have developed hotlines, workshops, conferences, and advocacy-sharing as an alert mechanism to new fraudulent product promotion. Inquiries about the Task Forces can be made through the Office of Special Health Issues.

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The agency works to have sponsors of new drug applications include subgroups, specifically gender, age, and racial subgroups in their testing of new drugs for effectiveness and safety.

RESOURCES

Publications:

The FDA publishes a consumer magazine, FDA Consumer, which provides information on various health issues. *For subscription information contact: Superintendent of Documents, PO Box 371954, Pittsburgh, PA 15250-7954; fax orders to 202-512-2250 or phone orders to 202-512-1800 (8am-4:30pm EST); and Web page: <http://www.fda.gov/fdac/>.*

Many publications (including brochures, films, and posters) are available in English and Spanish through the FDA Web page or by contacting the FDA's Office of Consumer Inquiries at: *FDA (HFE-88), 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857; phone: 301-827-4420.*

AGENCY INFORMATION

Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA)

Address: 7500 Security Boulevard, MS S2-14-26
Baltimore, MD 21244
Telephone: 410-786-3000
Web page: <http://www.hcfa.gov>

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION

The Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA) is the Federal agency that administers Medicare and oversees the Medicaid programs, and in collaboration with the Health Resources Services Administration (HRSA), administers the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP). HCFA's responsibilities include:

- Assuring that the Medicaid, Medicare, and SCHIP programs are properly run by contractors and State agencies;
- Establishing policies for paying health care providers;
- Conducting research on the effectiveness of various methods of health care management, treatment, and financing; and
- Assessing the quality of health care facilities and services and taking enforcement actions when appropriate.

In addition, HCFA regulates all laboratory testing that is performed on humans in the United States that is not research-related.

- Medicaid serves more than 50 percent of all persons living with AIDS and 90 percent of all children with AIDS. Medicaid beneficiaries have access to the full range of services mandated under Federal regulations, and may also receive additional services such as targeted case management, preventive services, and hospice care, depending on the State plan and waivers requested by the State. In addition, under Medicaid all States elect to cover FDA-approved prescribed drugs for prophylactic treatment of AIDS-related opportunistic infections, and drugs such as protease inhibitors and reverse transcriptase inhibitors for the treatment of HIV disease.
- The Maternal HIV Consumer Information Project was developed to increase patient and provider knowledge about the availability of drugs that reduce HIV transmission and to expand knowledge of Medicaid eligibility and coverage of prenatal care. HCFA works with State Medicaid agencies and departments of health to provide women of childbearing age with information regarding HIV testing and counseling. Medicaid also pays for HIV counseling, testing, treatment, and medications to prevent transmission of HIV from mother to child. *For more information, visit HCFA's web page and click on the project's name.*

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In collaboration with HRSA, HCFA is working on initiatives to increase the enrollment of uninsured children into SCHIP who are not otherwise eligible for Medicaid. The two agencies are working with national minority organizations and advocacy groups to promote education and enrollment in the program.

HCFA conducts two grant programs, the Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) Grant Program and the Hispanic Health Services Research (HHSR) Grant Program to promote research in areas related to ethnic minority groups and issues of access, utilization, and quality of health care services; health education and disease screening and prevention; racial disparities and socio-economic differences; managed care systems; and costs of care.

RESOURCES

Funding:

HCFA funds programs related to research and evaluation. Inquiries should be directed to: *Health Care Financing Administration, Office of Internal Customer Support, Acquisition and Grants Group, 7500 Security Boulevard, C2-21-15; Baltimore, MD 21244-1850; phone: 410-786-5701; or Health Care Financing Administration, Office of Strategic Planning, 7500 Security Boulevard, C3-11-17; Baltimore, MD 21244-1850; phone: 410-786-6644.*

Publications:

The Information Clearinghouse has publications that can be accessed through HCFA's Web page (<http://www.hcfa.gov>). In addition, information on Medicare can be accessed by calling the toll-free hotline number: 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227); TDD: 1-877-486-2048.

Technical Assistance/Training:

HCFA provides technical assistance and training to states, providers, contractors, and its regional office staff regarding its programs.

Each of HCFA's ten regional offices has a Regional HIV/AIDS Coordinator. Contact information for the coordinators is available on HCFA's web page.

DATA SOURCES

Medicaid Statistics: Program and Financial Statistics - HCFA Publication Number 10120 "A Catalogue of Medicare Public Use Files" may be downloaded from the Medicare Professional/Technical Information page of HCFA's web site.

Medicaid statistical data can be found from the "Medicaid Professional/Technical Information" page of HCFA's web site.

AGENCY INFORMATION

Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) HIV/AIDS Bureau

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Rockville, MD 20857

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Web page: <http://www.hrsa.gov>

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Dissemination, HIV/AIDS Bureau

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION

HRSA's HIV/AIDS Bureau (HAB) administers the Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resources Emergency (CARE) Act, which provides funds for primary care and support services for medically underserved individuals and families affected by HIV/AIDS. The CARE Act includes:

- Emergency Relief (Title I) – Grants provide emergency relief and supplemental assistance to eligible metropolitan areas (EMAs) heavily impacted by HIV/AIDS. Funds are awarded to EMAs with a high incidence of AIDS cases (areas with a population of 500,000 or more with at least 2,000 AIDS cases in the most recent 5 years).
- Comprehensive Care (Title II) – Grants allow States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, and five additional U.S. Pacific Territories and Associated Jurisdictions to plan, coordinate, and deliver health and social services to individuals living with, and/or affected by, HIV and AIDS. The AIDS Drug Assistance Program provides medications to low-income individuals with HIV disease that have limited or no coverage from private insurance or Medicaid.
- Early Intervention Primary Care (Title III) – Grants fund existing community-based clinics and public health providers to develop and deliver early and ongoing comprehensive HIV/AIDS care on an outpatient basis. Grantees provide primary medical care to people with HIV/AIDS in rural and underserved urban areas, particularly women, adolescents, and communities of color.
- Demonstration Program for Children, Adolescents, and Families (Title IV) – Grants support comprehensive HIV services and access to clinical research programs for children, youth, women, and families affected by HIV/AIDS. The focus is on expanding the development of innovative models that link systems of comprehensive primary community-based medical and social services with the National Institutes of Health and other clinical research trials. Reducing perinatal HIV transmission is a major program effort.
- Special Projects of National Significance Program – Grants support programs with innovative models of HIV/AIDS care designed to address special care needs of minority and hard-to-reach individuals with HIV/AIDS.

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- AIDS Education and Training Centers (AETCs) – A network of 14 regional centers and several national resource centers conduct targeted, multi-disciplinary HIV education and training programs for health care providers. Their mission is to increase the number of health care providers capable of counseling, diagnosing, treating, and managing the health care of individuals with HIV.
 - HIV/AIDS Dental Reimbursement Program – Through grants to dental schools and post-doctoral dental education programs, this effort assists with the unreimbursed cost of providing oral health care to individuals with HIV/AIDS.

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More than 60 percent of CARE Act funding serves minority individuals. Under the CARE Act titles, requirements are made for underserved individuals to be represented in planning councils and consortia, among service recipients, and for special projects. As part of the Congressional Black Caucus Initiative, HRSA initiated:

- Supplemental grants to Title I grantees to provide quality care to, and improve health outcomes in, areas that have 30 percent or more African American or Latino HIV/AIDS cases.
- Title III planning grants to assist community-based organizations in highly impacted minority communities to deliver needed health care services.
- Funding to AETCs to subcontract with Historically Black Colleges and Universities for education of health care providers serving African American communities.
- Training opportunities for ethnic minority peer-outreach educators working in community-based organizations.

RESOURCES

Publications:

HRSA offers a number of publications. These include: Ryan White CARE Act and HAB Fact Sheets; *HRSA Care ACTION* newsletter; “A Guide to the Clinical Care of Women with HIV”; data reports; grantee manuals; technical assistance materials; journal articles; and other publications. They are available at <http://hab.hrsa.gov>, or by contacting the HRSA Information Center at 1-888-Ask-HRSA or <http://www.ask.hrsa.gov>.

Technical Assistance/Training:

Grantees may access technical assistance and training through project officers and/or HAB's Division of Training and Technical Assistance. Additional resources are available at <http://hab.hrsa.gov> on the World Wide Web.

AGENCY INFORMATION

Indian Health Service (IHS)

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION

The mission of the Indian Health Service (IHS) is to provide health services to American Indians and Alaska Natives (AI and AN) to raise their health status to the highest possible level. The IHS is the principal Federal health care provider and health advocate for AI and ANs. With its tribal and urban Indian program partners, IHS provides health services to approximately 2.5 million AI and ANs who belong to more than 557 federally recognized tribes in 35 states.

- The IHS [HIV/AIDS Program](#) is primarily committed to the prevention of HIV in American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) populations. Information is distributed for the development and nurturing of empowerment skills at both the individual and community levels. The pivotal task for this program is to decrease and ultimately eliminate HIV-related risk-taking behavior among the AI and AN population.

The IHS health care providers promote prevention, treatment and psycho-social support services to HIV-seropositive and at-risk AI/ANs and their families. The IHS National AIDS Coordinator provides information on resources to 12 IHS and Tribal Area AIDS Coordinators and they, in turn, present this information to their respective IHS hospitals, clinics and tribally managed health care systems. Prevention and treatment information is distributed to AI and ANs with and without HIV infection at the local, State and national level. At the local level, the IHS Area AIDS Coordinators initiate and sustain activities to increase public awareness of AIDS and HIV infection in AI and AN communities. This is accomplished through training and information activities to provide health education and risk reduction messages to various groups. Groups targeted to receive information and training include the general AI and AN population, tribal leaders, spiritual leaders, medicine men and women, women, youth, individuals practicing high-risk behavior, and IHS/tribal health care workers.

- [HIV Center of Excellence \(HIVCOE\)](#) provides culturally competent and comprehensive clinical care for AI and AN people. Programs and services available include HIV and STD prevention, early intervention, medical treatment (incorporating medical, behavioral, and traditional healing concepts), and research in areas of seroprevalence study and needs assessments. *For further information contact: Phoenix Indian Medical Center, 4212 North 16th Street, Phoenix, AZ 85016, phone: 602-263-1502; fax: 602-263-1624*

RESOURCES

Technical Assistance/Training:

Training is available for health care professionals through the Pacific AIDS Education and Training Center. Inquiries should be addressed to: *Pacific AIDS Education and Training Center, University of California, Irvine, 101 The City Drive South, Rt. 81, Bldg. 53, Orange, CA 92868; phone: 714-456-7612; fax: 714-456-7169; e-mail: sfitzgib@uci.edu; or Sheila Fitzgibbons at the Phoenix Indian Medical Center, HIVCOE; phone: 602-263-1200, x1836; and fax: 602-263-1583.*

DATA SOURCES

Statistical data may be obtained from the CDC HIV/AIDS Surveillance Report.

AGENCY INFORMATION

National Institutes of Health (NIH)

Address: 9000 Rockville Pike, Building 1
Bethesda, Maryland 20892
Telephone: 301-496-4000
Web page: <http://www.nih.gov>

PROGRAM INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) is comprised of 27 separate Institutes and Centers:

- National Cancer Institute (NCI)
- National Eye Institute (NEI)
- National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI)
- National Human Genome Research Institute (NHGRI)
- National Institute on Aging (NIA)
- National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA)
- National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID)
- National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases (NIAMS)
- National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD)
- National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders (NIDCD)
- National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR)
- National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Disease (NIDDK)
- National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA)
- National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS)
- National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS)
- National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH)
- National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS)
- National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR)
- National Library of Medicine (NLM)
- Warren Grant Magnuson Clinical Center (CC)
- Center of Information Technology (CIT)
- National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine (NCCAM)
- National Center for Research Resources (NCRR)
- John E. Fogarty International Center (FIC)
- Center for Scientific Review (CSR)
- National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities (NCMHD)
- National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering (NIBIB)

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NIH has taken strong steps to assure minority participation in clinical trials, in natural history and epidemiologic studies, and in prevention studies and to assure that the overall research agenda is responsive to the needs of all minority communities.

NIH has implemented a series of guidelines, policies, and programs to ensure that HIV-infected individuals from the most at-risk populations for HIV/AIDS are enrolled and accrued into federally-sponsored AIDS clinical trials.

NIH has established programs and policies specifically designed to recruit individuals from underrepresented racial and ethnic groups into research careers and to build research infrastructure in minority institutions. These programs provide training and research opportunities across the continuum from high school students to independent investigators. NIH also supports a number of activities with the goal of disseminating research information to health care providers serving minority communities as well as to individuals at risk.

As part of the Congressional Black Caucus Initiative, NIH is supporting activities to increase the number of ethnic/racial minority principal investigators conducting research in the areas of HIV/AIDS and substance abuse. See the description of individual agencies for information on other minority HIV/AIDS programs and initiatives.

RESOURCES

Funding:

See individual agency listings or contact: *Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 1040 - MSC 7710, Bethesda, MD 20892-7710*

Technical Assistance/Training:

A number of NIH programs and policies are specifically designed to recruit individuals from underrepresented racial and ethnic groups into research careers. These programs provide training and research opportunities across the continuum from high school students to independent investigators, with the goal of increasing the diversity of the labor pool in all segments of health-related research.

AGENCY INFORMATION

National Institutes of Health (NIH) National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID)

Address: 31 Center Drive, Building 31, Room 7A50, MSC 2520
Bethesda, MD 20892-2520
Telephone: 301-496-5717
Fax: 301-402-0120
Web page: <http://www.niaid.nih.gov>

PROGRAM INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION

The National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) has six research components: Division of AIDS; Division of Intramural Research; Division of Extramural Activities; Division of Allergy, Immunology and Transplantation; Division of Microbiology and Infectious Diseases; and the Dale and Betty Bumpers Vaccine Research Center.

The **Division of AIDS (DAIDS)** supports HIV/AIDS research studies on HIV pathogenesis; developing new drug therapies; clinical trials of promising experimental drugs for HIV and related opportunistic infections; epidemiologic studies to assess the impact of HIV on the populations most severely affected; and developing and testing HIV vaccines. Programs supported by DAIDS include:

- The Acute HIV Infection and Early Disease Research Program investigates innovative ways to study how HIV-1 causes disease in adults. The program studies different facets of the disease such as viral characteristics and the effects of antiretroviral therapy during the early phases of HIV infection. Researchers use the information obtained to improve HIV prevention and treatment strategies.
- The Adult AIDS Clinical Trials Group (ACTG) is composed of, and directed by, leading clinical scientists in HIV/AIDS therapeutic research. ACTG conducts research that is the basis for setting standards of care for HIV infection and related opportunistic infections in the United States and the developed world, and provides the data necessary to approve therapeutic agents, as well as treatment and prevention strategies for many opportunistic infections. ACTG recruits participants to reflect the changing demographics of the epidemic. The NIH ACTG includes two sites at minority institutions: University of Puerto Rico and University of Hawaii. ACTG has 44 percent minority enrollment. For more information contact: *James McTigue, Ph.D.; Adult ACTG Operations Center; phone: 301-230-3150; fax: 301-468-6067; e-mail: jmctigue@s-3.com.*
- The AIDS Clinical Trials Information Service provides quick and easy access to information on federally and privately funded clinical trials for adults and children. *For more information see the separate listing in the Clearinghouse section of the directory.*

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- The Centers for AIDS Research supports a multidisciplinary environment that promotes basic, clinical, behavioral, and trans-national research in preventing, detecting, and treating HIV/AIDS.
 - The HIV Vaccine Trials Network (HVTN) supports a comprehensive research program to identify effective and safe vaccines to prevent HIV/AIDS. HVTN conducts all phases of clinical trials including safety, immunogenicity, and efficacy trials. This network of clinical sites has both domestic and foreign components. In conjunction with collaborators worldwide, HVTN also supports related laboratory research including the clinical relevance of global viral and genetic variation and their roles in vaccine development.
 - The HIV Prevention Trials Network (HPTN) conducts multidisciplinary phase I, II, and III trials of biomedical and behavioral interventions to prevent HIV transmission. In addition to studies involving microbicides, sexually transmitted diseases prevention and treatment, and behavioral and barrier interventions, HPTN conducts international trials to prevent perinatal transmission of HIV.
 - The HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service provides multilingual health information on HIV treatment options using a broad network of Federal, national, and community-based information resources. *For more information, see the separate listing in the Clearinghouse section of the directory.*
 - The NIH AIDS Research and Reference Reagent Program provides state-of-the-art biological and chemical materials to study HIV infection and related opportunistic infections. *For more information contact: McKesson HBOC BioServices; phone: 301-340-0245; fax: 301-340-9245; e-mail: aidsreagent@mbs-mckhboc.com.*
 - The Pediatric AIDS Clinical Trials Group evaluates treatments for HIV-infected children and adolescents and new approaches for interrupting mother-to-infant transmission. It also sets the standards of care for children infected with HIV and for interrupting vertical transmission. This network has 69 percent minority enrollment. *For more information contact: Beth Roy, M.S., Pediatric ACTG Operations Center; phone: 301-230-3150; fax: 301-816-0938; email: broy@opsctr-s-3.com.*
 - The Terry Beirn Community Programs for Clinical Research (CPCRA) on AIDS tests new therapies and treatment strategies in a large group of patients whose demographics reflect those of the current HIV epidemic. Primary care clinicians use the data outcomes to improve day-to-day treatment of their patients. CPCRA has 57 percent minority enrollment.

The **Division of Intramural Research (DIR)** conducts a wide variety of HIV/AIDS laboratory and clinical research, including investigation of the immunoregulation and pathogenesis of HIV; new targets for drug therapies; clinical trials of promising experimental therapies; international and domestic epidemiologic studies; and animal models for HIV vaccine studies.

Through its Special Emphasis Programs, DIR targets recruitment of trainees to increase minority participation in laboratory and clinical research training. These programs include:

- The Clinical Research Program in HIV has clinical scientists in several NIAID and NIH Critical Care Medicine Department (CCMD) laboratories. The group studies innovative approaches to treat HIV infection and examines HIV pathogenesis in the setting of clinical protocols. *For more information contact: Richard Davey, M.D.; phone: 301-496-8058; e-mail: rdavey@niaid.nih.gov*

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- DIR has set aside funds for post-doctoral stipends for minority fellows, significantly increasing their numbers in the program. DIR has a similar program for pre-doctoral training candidates. *For more information contact: Dr. Wendy Fibison; phone: 301-496-6400; e-mail: wfibison@niaid.nih.gov.*

The **Dale and Betty Bumpers Vaccine Research Center (VRC)** is a new venture within NIAID dedicated to developing an AIDS vaccine. This multidisciplinary effort brings together basic scientists, clinical investigators, and translational researchers to accelerate the generation of a vaccine for this deadly disease. *For more information contact: Abe Mittelman; phone: 301-496-1852; e-mail: amittelm@mail.nih.gov.*

The **Division of Extramural Activities (DEA)**, Office of Special Populations and Research Training (OSPRT), administers programs targeted to attracting minority students and junior investigators to its scientific research agenda:

- The Introduction to Biomedical Research Program (IBRP) brings promising minority students, who are third- or fourth-year undergraduates or first- or second-year graduate or medical students, to NIH for intense exposure to mentors and research opportunities available at NIH. *For more information contact: Joyce Hunter Woodford; phone: 301-496-6722; e-mail: jw25v@nih.gov.*
- Bridging the Career Gap for Underrepresented Minorities brings investigators who are currently funded by NIAID minority training and supplemental awards to NIH for a 2-day seminar to learn how to negotiate a successful career in biomedical research. *For more information contact: Joyce Hunter Woodford; phone: 301-496-6722; e-mail: jw25v@nih.gov.*

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NIH guidelines for the Request for Applications are designed to ensure optimal participation in clinical trials of all subpopulations in which the epidemic is now raging, including women, minority populations, adolescents, children, and injecting drug users. The guidelines are intended to improve the representation of different racial/ethnic groups in research and emphasize research within subpopulations that are disproportionately affected by certain diseases or disorders. Information on these programs and initiatives is available on the NIAID Web site.

RESOURCES

Funding:

NIH funds the Research Centers in Minority Institutions to support the infrastructure to conduct biomedical research at minority institutions. NIAID also funds Research Supplements for Underrepresented Minorities, a program to attract underrepresented minorities into biomedical and behavioral research. *For more information call 301-496-8697 or go to www.niaid.nih.gov/ncn/minor.htm*

Publications:

Materials on HIV/AIDS are available on the NIAID Web site.

AGENCY INFORMATION

National Institutes of Health (NIH) National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD)

Address: 9000 Rockville Pike, Room 2A18
Bethesda, MD 20892
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Fax: 301-496-0588
Web page: <http://www.nichd.nih.gov>

PROGRAM INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION

The National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD) administers a multi-disciplinary program of research, research training, and public information on reproductive biology and population issues; on prenatal development as well as maternal, child and family health; and on medical rehabilitation. Research in medical rehabilitation is designed to develop improved techniques and technologies with respect to the rehabilitation of individuals with physical disabilities resulting from diseases, disorders, injuries, or birth defects.

The NICHD supports research projects that address maternal, pediatric, childhood, and adolescent AIDS issues. Over the past decade, the NICHD has fostered a range of basic, clinical, applied, translational, and behavioral research related to HIV/AIDS. Current projects include research and studies on:

- Therapeutic treatments for HIV infection and related diseases;
- The epidemiology and natural history of HIV infection in women, infants, children, and adolescents;
- The etiology of vertically transmitted HIV infection;
- The impact of HIV infection on children with hemophilia and the effects of HIV on child development;
- New methods of early diagnosis of HIV infection in infants and children;
- Seroprevalence of HIV in childbearing women and risk factors of human milk and its relation to HIV infection;
- Social and behavioral interventions designed to prevent HIV transmission; and the
- Development of contraceptive microbicides that would allow women to protect themselves from unwanted pregnancy and HIV infections

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The Institute's programs and research priorities seek to address the high impact of HIV/AIDS on women, children, and youth in minority populations in the United States. The NICHD is involved in a cooperative project to address interventions and evaluations aimed at decreasing

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sexually transmitted diseases and HIV infection among minority youth. As part of the Congressional Black Caucus Initiative, NICHD has implemented Project ACCESS, a campaign to raise the awareness of minority youth and their need to be counseled and tested for HIV; and to provide them with easy access to HIV testing and adolescent-focused comprehensive care. The Institute has provided national clinical networks to advance prevention and treatment in trials primarily serving minority patients, including the Pediatric and Maternal HIV Clinical Trials Network and the Adolescent Medicine HIV/AIDS Research Network (AMHARN). NICHD is initiating an Adolescent Trials Network (ATN) to develop collaborative, primary prevention studies, as well as studies of effective and appropriate antiretroviral therapy in adolescent, high-risk, primarily minority populations. An Institute-funded Women's HIV Pathogenesis Program will be established to support scientific efforts to better understand the pathogenesis of HIV infection and factors that may be unique and relevant to the treatment of minority women.

RESOURCES

Funding:

Information on research opportunities can be obtained through the NICHD Web site (<http://www.nichd.nih.gov>) or by contacting the *Office of the Scientific Director, NICHD 31 Center Drive Building 31, Room 2A50 Bethesda, MD 20892-2425; phone: 301-496-2133; fax: 301-402-0105.*

Technical Assistance/Training:

An important goal of the NICHD is to strengthen partnerships with institutions based in racial and ethnic communities to develop more effective, research-based, HIV intervention programs that are closely linked to community needs, while generating new scientific data. The NICHD also plans to support specialized training and career development activities in the behavioral and social sciences related to the epidemiology and prevention of HIV/AIDS, with particular attention to the recruitment and training of underrepresented minorities in these areas.

Publications:

Reports and other publications on HIV and human development are available by contacting the NICHD Clearinghouse through the NICHD Web site (<http://www.nichd.nih.gov>) or. Phone: 800-370-2943 (Monday - Friday, 8:30am - 5:00pm EST). Some of the publications are available in Spanish. Related publications include the NICHD plan on *Health Disparities: Bridging the Gap and the Demographic and Behavioral Sciences Branch Report on Program Activities and Progress 1995-2000.*

AGENCY INFORMATION

National Institutes of Health (NIH) National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA)

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Web page: www.nida.nih.gov

PROGRAM INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION

The National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) supports research on the health aspects of drug abuse and addiction. The Institute also carries out a large variety of programs to ensure the rapid dissemination and use in both practice and policy settings of the results of the research it supports.

The **Center on AIDS and Other Medical Consequences of Drug Abuse** coordinates research activities, collaborates with other Institute components and provides leadership on issues concerning HIV/AIDS; other infections; and the medical/health, mental health, and developmental consequences of drug abuse. Examples of current research being conducted by NIDA include issues related to HIV treatment for substance abusers, HIV disease progression, studies on the linkage of drug abuse treatment and medical care, HIV-related therapeutics for drug users, and determinants of effective HIV counseling.

MINORITY HIV/AIDS PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES

NIDA has initiated several research programs targeting ethnic minority groups. These research projects have either promoted the participation of, or have focused on, ethnic minorities. Some of these projects have included such topics as the high risk of HIV among Latinas; the sexual risk behaviors of Native American drug users; changes in cognitive, behavioral, and psychosocial variables among high risk African American women receiving HIV/AIDS education; prognostic indicators for AIDS among HIV-infected injection drug users targeting the African American population; and cultural and ethnic differences in drug-related practices and behavior.

RESOURCES

Funding:

NIDA provides opportunities for research grants and contracts to study the prevention and treatment of drug abuse. Information is available by contacting: *Dr. Lucinda Miner, NIDA Deputy Research Training Coordinator, phone: at 301/443-6071; or GRANTSINFO, National Institutes of Health; email: grantsinfo@nih.gov; phone: 301- 435-0714; fax: 301-480-0525.*

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Publications:

NIDA provides the following publications:

- NIDA Notes (Newsletter)
- Research Dissemination and Application Packets
- Research Dissemination and Application Videotapes
- Clinical Report Series
- Public Education Materials
- Research Report Series
- Research Monograph Series
- Community Alert Bulletins
- Fact Sheets
- Epidemiological Studies

Publications are available through the NIDA Web page (www.nida.nih.gov); the National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Abuse (www.health.org); phone: 1-800-729-6686; and the US Government Printing Office (www.gpo.gov; phone: 202-512-1800).

Other Information:

NIDA provides a calendar of events and meetings (NIH- and non-NIH-sponsored). *Information can be obtained through the NIDA Web page or by phone: 301-496-2266; and e-mail: nihcala@od.nih.gov.*

AGENCY INFORMATION

National Institutes of Health (NIH) National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH)

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION

The National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) conducts research in basic neuroscience, behavioral science, and genetics to understand, treat, and prevent mental illness.

NIMH administers the **Division of Mental Disorders, Behavioral Research and AIDS** which conducts research and research training related to behavioral, developmental, epidemiologic and intervention development studies on the causes, prevention, and treatment of mental and behavioral disorders, and HIV/AIDS.

The Division's **Center for Mental Health and Research on AIDS** supports research that:

- Develops and tests behavior change and prevention strategies to reduce the further spread of HIV and other sexually transmitted diseases (STDs);
- Conducts interventions to prevent the consequences of HIV infection;
- Identifies and addresses behavioral issues in vaccine trials;
- Identifies the role of couples, families, and communities in preventing and adapting to HIV/STDs;
- Identifies the effects of HIV infection on the central nervous system (CNS) and the mechanisms that underlie motor/cognitive dysfunctions;
- Defines the clinical phenomena of HIV-related neuropsychological and neuropsychiatric disorders;
- Develops therapeutic agents to prevent or reverse the effects of HIV on the CNS; and
- Improves mental health services relevant to HIV infection and people with severe mental illness.

MINORITY HIV/AIDS PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES

NIMH supports intervention studies involving African-American women in public housing units, mothers and sons, adolescent males, gay men, and families. NIMH provides opportunities for ethnic minorities to participate in its research programs; to be Principal Research Investigators; and offers technical assistance to Historically Black Colleges and Universities to enhance their familiarity with the NIH research funding process.

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RESOURCES

Funding:

NIMH supports research studies related to HIV/AIDS and behavioral issues. Inquiries should be made to: *The Director of the Office on AIDS at the address listed above.*

Publications:

NIMH offers a variety of publications to help researchers, mental health and primary care practitioners, patients, and the general public to gain a better understanding of mental disorders and the research programs of the Institute (some are available in Spanish). Contact: *NIMH Public Inquiries, 6001 Executive Boulevard, Room 8184, MSC 9663, Bethesda, MD 20892-9663; fax: 301-443-4279; and email: nimhinfo@nih.gov.*

AGENCY INFORMATION

National Institutes of Health (NIH) Office of AIDS Research (OAR)

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION

Located within the Office of the Director of NIH, the Office of AIDS Research (OAR) is responsible for the scientific budgetary, legislative, and policy elements of the NIH AIDS research program.

OAR plans, coordinates, evaluates, and funds all NIH AIDS research. The Office supports trans-NIH Coordinating Committees to assist in the areas of:

- HIV transmission and disease progression research;
- Causes of the immune deficiency and the complications that accompany infection;
- Drug development, clinical trials, screening, and drug programs that work to inhibit specific steps in the HIV life cycle;
- Vaccine development to protect against or decrease HIV transmission and reduce disease progression;
- Behavioral and social interventions to reduce HIV transmission, understand HIV-related risk behaviors, and develop/evaluate strategies for preventing or lessening the negative consequences of HIV infection;
- Provision of research training opportunities to researchers; and
- Dissemination of information to support research, treatment, and prevention related to HIV/AIDS.

MINORITY HIV/AIDS PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES

OAR includes minority representatives in all AIDS research advisory groups: the OAR Advisory Council (which provides overall guidance on the scientific direction of the NIH AIDS research programs), and the research planning groups (which develop the annual AIDS research plan and set scientific priorities). OAR has an Ad Hoc Minority Working Group to provide advice regarding research gaps and opportunities in the area of HIV and racial/ethnic minorities.

NIH and OAR are working to advance research and provide up-to-date information on treatment and prevention to communities of color.

- The [Prevention Science Initiative \(PSI\)](#) program supports, through the NIH Institutes and Centers, projects that focus on factors contributing to the disproportionate impact of HIV on racial/ethnic minorities

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in the U.S. and strategies for ameliorating it; primary prevention of HIV infection among different racial/ethnic minority populations, including women, gay men of color, and substance abusers; and translational research to disseminate and implement effective interventions in minority communities.

- Curriculum-based AIDS information programs and modules continue to be made available nationwide, through the Historically Black Colleges and Universities and other groups of minority health professionals, such as the National Association for Equal Opportunity in Higher Education. In addition, epidemiology studies are performed, including some involving ethnic and racially diverse cohorts of HIV-infected individuals and HIV-uninfected individuals at risk of infection.
- As part of the Congressional Black Caucus Initiative, the Office of AIDS Research has allocated funds for minority initiatives to support clinically-oriented research. Currently, funds have been allocated in the areas of Community Outreach Programs and Formal Collaborative Programs.
- Community Outreach Programs consist of:
 - Regional Technology Transfer Conferences to support workshops for individuals and groups that provide health care service to people living with HIV/AIDS. The purpose of the workshops is to provide health care providers the most current information on the progress and programs in HIV/AIDS research;
 - Community Regional Training and Research Forums, which are collaborative programs (with the National Minority AIDS Council [NMAC]) to provide training and educational events on specific topics to individuals working at the community level with HIV-infected and -affected individuals and families; and
 - Information Exhibits that make information on NIH research on HIV/AIDS available, as well as generate publications and fact sheets in an exhibit format at conferences.
- Formal Collaborative Programs provide support for meetings between groups and organizations that share common goals. The meetings are used to determine if collaborative efforts would be an efficient use of funds, increasing the effectiveness of individual programs. For example, the following NMAC programs have been supported: Internet-TV initiatives; Web MD Chat Sessions (conference Web broadcasting) and “Meet the Expert” sessions; HIV/AIDS in African American communities video; the United States Conference on AIDS; Equal Access Initiative Computer Grants Program; and Advisory Board meetings.

RESOURCES

Funding:

Funding information is available by calling the OAR.

Publications:

OAR makes available reports, news releases, and fact sheets on research programs, some documents are available in Spanish. Documents are available through the OAR Web page. Research documents on AIDS drugs and clinical trials can also be accessed through the Library of Medicine’s Internet Grateful Med at <http://igm.nlm.nih.gov>. Treatment information is available through AIDS Clinical Trials Information Service (ACTIS), the HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service (ATIS), and the National AIDS Clearinghouse (*see the separate listing in the Clearinghouse section of the directory*).

AGENCY INFORMATION

Office of Public Health and Science (OPHS) Office of HIV/AIDS Policy (OHAP)

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION

The Office of HIV/AIDS Policy (OHAP) advises the Assistant Secretary for Health and senior HHS officials on the appropriate and timely development of HIV/AIDS policy; the establishment of priorities; and the implementation of HIV/AIDS programs, activities, and initiatives across other HHS health agencies.

The major functions of the Office include the following:

- Advising the Secretary and Assistant Secretary for Health on all HIV/AIDS-related scientific and policy matters, such as: new developments and program activities within the areas of research; HIV prevention; HIV care and treatment; and budget development;
- Advising the Secretary and senior HHS leadership on the establishment of critical Departmental priorities in order to build a strong, comprehensive national response to the HIV epidemic, and on effective action in response to the global AIDS epidemic;
- Promoting coordination and collaboration among all HHS agencies to maximize the effectiveness of policy and program efforts within the areas of HIV surveillance and prevention, the provision of health care and services, substance abuse prevention and treatment, research, the development and testing of new drugs, training of health professionals, and publicly funded insurance programs;
- To serve as the focal point for HIV/AIDS activities within HHS, and as a liaison with external professional, governmental, private, and non-profit organizations, community-based organizations, and consumer groups; also to serve as the liaison with other Federal departments and agencies to inform and advise on appropriate measures for addressing HIV/AIDS consistent with their organization's functional responsibilities; and,
- To coordinate and oversee the HHS's Blood Safety Program for the Assistant Secretary to the Health/Blood Safety Director, including the work of the Blood Safety Committee and the Advisory Committee on Blood Safety and Availability.

Select key activities under OHAP leadership include: development and convening of the Panel on Clinical Practices for Treatment of HIV Infection, coordination of the Minority AIDS Initiative (MAI), the Crisis Response Team (CRT) Initiative, and The Leadership Campaign on HIV/AIDS (TLCA).

AGENCY INFORMATION

Office of Public Health and Science (OPHS) Office of Minority Health (OMH)

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION

The Office of Minority Health's (OMH) mission is to improve the health of racial and ethnic populations through the development of effective health policies and programs that help to eliminate health disparities and gaps. These populations include American Indians and Alaska Natives, Asian Americans, Blacks/African Americans, Hispanics/Latinos, Native Hawaiians and other Pacific Islanders.

OMH works closely with sister agencies within HHS and its minority health representatives. Regional minority health consultants serve as OMH representatives in the 10 HHS regional offices. OMH also works closely with established State offices of minority health, as well as community-based organizations, national minority organizations, professional associations, and other organizations.

OMH strives to ensure that programs, policies, and data address the needs of racial and ethnic minorities at the Federal, State, and local levels. OMH has played a role in developing and implementing activities and programs related to the President's Initiative on Race, the HHS Initiative to Eliminate Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Health, and *Healthy People 2010*.

OMH coordinates HHS efforts to implement selected White House initiatives, including the White House Initiative on Historically Black Colleges and Universities, the Executive Order on Educational Excellence for Hispanic Americans, and the White House Initiative on Tribal Colleges and Universities, as well as HHS' Hispanic Agenda for Action and its Asian American and Pacific Islander Action Agenda. It staffs the Departmental Minority Initiatives Steering Committee and the Departmental Minority Initiatives Coordinating Committee. Additionally, OMH participates in and serves as the contact point for information on HHS' Minority HIV/AIDS Initiative.

Office of Minority Health Resource Center: Established in 1987, the Resource Center serves as a national resource and referral service on minority health issues. It collects, distributes, and facilitates the exchange of information on a variety of health topics. The Resource Center offers customized database searches (including funding, media, and research information), publications, mailing lists, and referrals relevant to U.S. minority populations. Due to Congressional funding through the Minority HIV/AIDS Initiative, the Resource Center significantly expanded its activities related to HIV/AIDS. New technical assistance services are being offered. News, selected publications and databases are available on the Internet at: <http://www.omhrc.gov>. All publications and services are free of charge and can be obtained by calling 1-800-444-6472. Spanish-speaking information specialists are available. Business hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Eastern Time.

MINORITY HIV/AIDS PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES

OMH operates several programs related to minorities and HIV/AIDS. Examples of some of these programs include the following:

- The Minority Community Health Coalition Demonstration Program has the goal of reducing the level of HIV/AIDS among minority populations through health promotion and education activities. The program has six projects that focus on HIV/AIDS as a result of the Minority HIV/AIDS Initiative.
- The Technical Assistance and Capacity Development Demonstration Program for HIV/AIDS-Related Services in Highly Impacted Minority Communities stimulates and fosters the development of effective and durable service delivery capacity for HIV prevention and treatment among organizations closely interfaced with minority populations highly impacted by HIV/AIDS;
- The State and Territorial Minority HIV/AIDS Demonstration Grant Program assists in identifying the needs within different States for HIV/AIDS prevention and services among minority populations; facilitates links between minority community-based organizations and other State and local recipients of Federal funds for HIV/AIDS; and assists in coordinating Federal resources;
- OMH supports AIDS-related projects through 18 umbrella Cooperative Agreements, such as holding meetings with minority leaders to provide technical assistance, summarizing HIV/AIDS minority-related research, and providing technical assistance to communities that are severely impacted by the AIDS epidemic.

RESOURCES

Publications:

OMH publications include a monthly newsletter, *Closing the Gap*, which addresses health issues concerning minority populations; and a *Pocket Guide to Minority Health Resources*. In 2000, OMH launched a quarterly newsletter, *HIV Impact*, and created new Web pages that focus exclusively on HIV/AIDS issues among minority populations. OMH also distributes the *Guide to Resources Available Through the Congressional Black Caucus/HHS Initiative to Address HIV/AIDS in Racial and Ethnic Minority Communities*. OMH publications are available through the Resource Center free of charge. For more information contact: 1-800-444-6472 (English and Spanish); or view the Web page at: <http://www.omhrc.gov>.

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Technical Assistance/Training:

As a participant in the HHS Minority HIV/AIDS Initiative, OMH uses the Resource Center to provide information on the initiative and to provide technical assistance to community organizations working on HIV/AIDS. Such technical assistance activities cover: outreach; resource development; board development and training; networking and collaboration; information dissemination, message development and public awareness campaigns; volunteer recruitment and training; program development and service delivery; and evaluation.

In addition, the Resource Center makes available the Resource Persons Network (RPN), which consists of a network of health professionals from a wide variety of organizations (e.g., community organizations, academia, research organizations and medical centers) who have volunteered to provide technical assistance to community-based organizations and to other health professionals.

DATA SOURCES

OMH maintains information on Federal and State data sources related to minority health topics, but does not conduct health surveys.

AGENCY INFORMATION

Office of Public Health and Science (OPHS) Office of Population Affairs (OPA)

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION

The Office of Population Affairs (OPA) provides resources and policy advice on population, family planning, reproductive health, and adolescent pregnancy issues. OPA administers two programs that provide services to underserved populations:

- The Title X Family Planning Program supports grants to provide comprehensive family planning and reproductive health services to all persons. These grants support services such as: contraceptive services and supplies; basic gynecological care; screening for reproductive cancers and general medical screening; basic infertility services; prevention education; and sexually transmitted disease (STD) and HIV counseling, screening and referrals. The program gives priority to persons from low-income families, provides free services to individuals living at or below 100 percent of the poverty level, and assesses a sliding fee scale for those between 100 percent and 250 percent of the Federal poverty level. The program sponsors a variety of continuing education programs for all levels of family planning providers each year. In addition, the program maintains a clearinghouse for information and educational materials on family planning and reproductive health, and supports a research program focusing on family planning service delivery improvement.
- The Title XX Adolescent Family Life Program supports grants for demonstration projects in two categories: (1) developing innovative programs to provide health, education, and social services to pregnant and parenting adolescents, their infants, male partners, and families; and (2) developing and testing programs for pre-adolescents, adolescents (both male and female) and their families, to delay the onset of adolescent sexual activity and thus reduce the incidence of pregnancy, STD infection, and HIV/AIDS. The program also supports research grants in the areas of adolescent sexuality, pregnancy and parenting—investigating the factors that influence adolescent sexual, contraceptive, and fertility behaviors, as well as the nature and effectiveness of services for pregnant and parenting adolescents.

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RESOURCES

Funding:

OPA allocates funds to 10 Department of Health and Human Services Regional Offices which administer the Family Planning Services Program. Grants are available to State and local health departments, not-for-profit family planning councils, Planned Parenthood affiliates, and other public and private entities that provide family planning services. The Adolescent Family Life Program provides demonstration grants to schools, universities, hospitals, public health departments, and community agencies.

Publications:

The OPA Clearinghouse collects, develops, and distributes information on family planning, adolescent pregnancy, abstinence, adoption, reproductive health care, and STDs, including HIV and AIDS. Inquiries should be made to: *Office of Population Affairs Clearinghouse, P.O. Box 30686, Bethesda, MD 20824-0686; phone: 301-654-6190; fax: 301-215-7731.*

AGENCY INFORMATION

Office of Public Health and Science (OPHS) Office on Women's Health (OWH)

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Web page: <http://www.4woman.gov>

CONTACT INFORMATION

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION

The Office of Public Health and Science (OPHS), Office on Women's Health (OWH) is dedicated to improving the health of women across the lifespan. Its efforts include: developing, directing, and coordinating initiatives in women's health research and health care services; and, providing education and training to public and health professionals across all HHS agencies, regions and offices. These efforts are aided by public/ private partnerships.

- The [Collaborative Group on Women and HIV/AIDS](#) consists of representatives from Federal agencies, and national and local women's organizations. The group was formed to explore issues critical to women with HIV/AIDS and to propose potential collaborations and partnerships to address the ongoing epidemic of HIV/AIDS in the lives of women in the United States.
- The [Secretary's Workgroup on Women and HIV/AIDS](#) In response to the intent and purpose of the Congressional Black Caucus' (CBC) efforts to focus on the impact that HIV/AIDS has had in minority communities, the Office on Women's Health is continuing two FY2000 programs. [The Incarcerated Women with HIV/AIDS/STDs Program](#), develops and implements models of comprehensive HIV/AIDS services for incarcerated and newly released minority women living with HIV/AIDS/STDs. These models focus on the important role of pre-release and discharge planning in linking incarcerated women to health care services and/or support services, and on addressing persistent gaps in these areas. The [Model Mentorship Program for Technical Assistance to Women's Organizations Delivering HIV/AIDS Services to Women Program](#), develops model mentorship programs which are implemented by minority health organizations. These organizations offer technical assistance in the areas of administration and program management and enhance the capacity of women's and community-based organizations that deliver HIV prevention and direct care services to minority women.
- The [Minority Women's Health Panel of Experts](#) was established in response to OWH's 1997 conference, "Bridging the Gap: Enhancing Partnerships to Improve Minority Women's Health." OWH established a female panel of minority health experts to provide input to and serve as a resource for HHS and OWH minority women's health initiatives.

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RESOURCES

Publications:

The National Women's Health Information Center (NWHIC), sponsored by the OWH, offers information in English and Spanish by means of phone information specialists, publications, and a Web page. Information specialists address information needs and identify the appropriate Federal and private sector referral organizations, and can contact Federal organizations to order selected materials. NWHIC provides callers with access to thousands of Federal and non-Federal organizations and publications. Inquiries should be made to the NWHIC Information Specialists by calling: *1-800-994-WOMAN (1-800-994-9662); TDD: 1-888-220-5446 from 9 am to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday (excluding Federal holidays)*. Publications are also available online through NWHIC's Web page: *<http://www.4women.gov/phoneinfo.htm>*.

Technical Assistance/Training:

The National Centers of Excellence in Women's Health program was developed and is being supported by the OWH to provide state-of-the-art comprehensive and integrated health care services; multi-disciplinary research; and public and health care professional education targeted toward the special needs of women, including underserved and minority women. These Centers serve as active forces in their communities, and across the nation, in addressing and providing for the health care needs of women. There are currently 18 Centers of Excellence located at academic institutions in different areas of the country, serving as demonstration models for the nation. The Centers will integrate health care services, research programs, public education and health care professional training, and will forge links with health care services in the community.

AGENCY INFORMATION

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) was established by Congress (Public Law 102-321) on October 1, 1992, to strengthen the Nation's health care delivery system for substance abuse and mental illness prevention and treatment services. SAMHSA builds on Federal-State partnerships with communities and private organizations to address the needs of individuals with substance abuse and mental illnesses, as well as the community risk factors that contribute to these illnesses.

SAMHSA-sponsored substance abuse activities are intended to: reduce the incidence and prevalence of substance abuse; improve access to prevention and treatment programs; enhance the effectiveness of services; and reduce personal and community risks for substance abuse. With respect to mental health, SAMHSA-sponsored activities are intended to promote recovery and improve the quality of life of adults with serious mental illnesses and children with serious emotional disturbances. These activities can improve the overall mental health of the nation's people by promoting access to, and increasing the development of, comprehensive, community-based services for adults with serious mental illnesses and children with serious emotional disturbances.

There is a need for continuous Federal leadership in substance abuse prevention and treatment, and in mental health services. As a long-term partner with States, counties, communities employers, consumers, families, and health professionals, SAMHSA is uniquely positioned to meet these challenges and continue to advance these fields on behalf of all Americans.

SAMHSA consists of three Centers: the Center for Mental Health Services (CMHS); the Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT); and the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP). It also has an Office of the Administrator, Office of Applied Studies, and Office of Program Services.

The Office of the Administrator provides agency-level policy development, program coordination, communications, and public affairs support. The Office includes special-focus Offices that coordi-

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nate agency efforts in managed care and women's services. Also within SAMHSA are the Associate Administrators for Alcohol Policy, Minority Concerns, and HIV/AIDS. The Associate Administrator for HIV/AIDS coordinates and monitors SAMHSA activities that address the critical public health problems posed by HIV disease among substance abusers and persons with mental illnesses.

MINORITY HIV/AIDS PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES

The Associate Administrator for Minority Concerns ensures that activities initiated by SAMHSA are relevant to and, where appropriate, targeted to minority population groups. For specific programs and initiatives, refer to the information sheets in the directory on SAMHSA's three Centers, as well as the National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information (NCADI).

RESOURCES

Funding:

Funding opportunities for SAMHSA's programs are announced each year in the [Federal Register](#).

Publications:

Information on materials available can be accessed through the Center for Mental Health Services Knowledge Exchange Network (KEN) and the National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information.

Technical Assistance/Training:

Technical assistance and training are provided through each of SAMHSA's Centers, as described in the directory.

AGENCY INFORMATION

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Center for Mental Health Services (CMHS)

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION

The Center for Mental Health Services (CMHS) leads Federal efforts to treat mental illnesses by promoting mental health and by preventing the development or worsening of mental illness when possible. Congress created CMHS to bring new hope to adults who have serious mental illnesses and to children with serious emotional disorders.

The CMHS strategic response to HIV/AIDS is directed in three areas. In all of the CMHS HIV/AIDS programs, collaboration with other HHS agencies is considered very important.

- Because prevention remains the most critical element in reducing the incidence and prevalence of HIV/AIDS, CMHS is currently completing Phase I of the development of a brief High Risk Prevention/Intervention Program directed at adolescents/young adults and adult women who are at high risk for HIV infection.
- The education of mental health care providers is also a critical response to the epidemic. As HIV/AIDS treatments have improved, and HIV/AIDS has become more of a chronic illness, mental health care providers play a critical role in the healthcare of this population. The CMHS education program has been designed to address provider education needs and to yield data on more effective training dissemination methods.
- The delivery of appropriate high quality mental health services to people living with HIV/AIDS is a very high priority. CMHS in collaboration with the National Institutes of Health and the Health Resources Services Administration completed a four year mental health services demonstration program out of which a publication, *Mental Health Care for People Living With or Affected by HIV/AIDS: A Practical Guide* was developed.
- SAMHSA's Center for Mental Health Services and Center for Substance Abuse Treatment are collaborating in a five-year research program (September 1998 - August 2003) with the HIV/AIDS Bureau of the Health Resources and Services Administration and three institutes within the National Institutes of

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Health (NIAAA, NIDA and NIMH). The program consists of eight study sites, with one coordinating center. The goal of this program is to determine the effects of integrated mental health, substance abuse and HIV/AIDS primary care services on treatment adherence, health outcomes and costs.

MINORITY HIV/AIDS PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES

The Minority HIV/AIDS Mental Health Services Program, which begins in 2001, provides up to 15 awards for five years to increase the capacity of community based organizations in providing mental health services to people who are racial and ethnic minorities living with HIV/AIDS. Through the program, services to African American, Hispanic/Latino and/or other racial, ethnic minorities should be strengthened; core client outcomes should be improved; and culturally appropriate/competent HIV/AIDS education and training will be developed and/or applied. The partnership of community-based organizations and a coordinating center with CMHS will facilitate the best possible implementation of new and expanded culturally appropriate/competent HIV/AIDS- related mental health treatment and educational services.

RESOURCES

Funding:

Funding opportunities are announced in the [Federal Register](#).

Publications:

To order *Mental Health Care for People Living With or Affected by HIV/AIDS: A Practical Guide*, contact: mentalhealth.org or samhsa.gov; or call 1-800-789-2647, publication number: KEN00-0081.

Technical Assistance/Training:

Technical assistance is offered as an integral part of the development and implementation of CMHS programs, and includes a network of Technical Assistance Centers located strategically throughout the country.

AGENCY INFORMATION

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT)

Address: 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockwall II Building, Suite 615
Rockville, MD 20857
Telephone: 301-443-5700
Facsimile: 301-443-8751
Internet: www.samhsa.gov

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Telephone: 301-443-8387
E-mail: WHewitt@samhsa.gov

PROGRAM INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION

The Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT) works cooperatively across the private and public treatment spectrum to identify, develop, and support policies, approaches, and programs that enhance and expand treatment services for individuals who abuse alcohol and other drugs. CSAT administers the following programs:

- The Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant is a formula grant that is available to states on an annual basis. It is the cornerstone of public funding for substance abuse treatment programs, accounting for approximately 40 percent of all public funds spent on prevention activities and treatment services at the state level. Funding policy for this grant requires that states set aside two to five percent of their allocation toward at least one project that provides early HIV intervention services to individuals undergoing substance abuse treatment.
- Targeted Capacity Expansion is a discretionary (competitive) grant program designed to provide rapid and strategic responses to the demand for substance abuse treatment services that are more local and regional in nature.
- Knowledge Development and Application Program is a discretionary (competitive) program designed to: identify and fill knowledge gaps in substance abuse treatment services; support development and application of new knowledge; and to provide for the orderly transfer of “best practice” information to substance abuse treatment organizations and providers.

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CSAT programs that target minority communities for treatment and prevention services include:

- Targeted Capacity Expansion Program for Substance Abuse Treatment and HIV/AIDS Services is designed to enhance and expand substance abuse treatment and services related to HIV/AIDS in African American, Hispanic/Latino, and other minority communities highly affected by the twin epidemics of

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substance abuse and HIV/AIDS. This program seeks to address gaps in substance abuse treatment capacity, and to increase the accessibility and availability of substance abuse treatment and related HIV/AIDS services (including other sexually transmitted diseases, tuberculosis, and hepatitis B and C) to African American, Hispanic/Latino, and other racial/ethnic minority substance abusers.

- Community-Based Substance Abuse and HIV/AIDS Outreach Program is designed to develop community-based outreach projects to provide HIV counseling and testing services, health education and risk reduction information, access and referrals to sexually transmitted disease and tuberculosis testing, substance abuse treatment, primary care, mental health and medical services for those who are HIV positive or who have AIDS, living in African American, Hispanic/Latino, and other racial/ethnic minority communities. Grantees are expected to provide outreach program strategies that can effectively target: women who are injection drug users (IDUs); the sexual partners of IDUs; sex workers or women who exchange sex for drugs; men who are IDUs and their needle sharing partners; men who have sex with men (MSM); MSM who inject drugs; and, adolescents.
- Minority Community Services Integration Planning Grant Program provides funding to State, county and municipal governments to collaborate with high risk racial and ethnic minority communities to develop consensus about how to better integrate HIV/AIDS, substance abuse treatment, mental health, primary care and public health services to better serve minority communities.

RESOURCES

Funding:

Funding opportunities are announced each fiscal year in the Federal Register.

Publications:

CSAT's major publications are the Treatment Improvement Protocols (TIPs) and Technical Assistance Publications (TAPs). TIPs are the products of a systematic and innovative process which brings together clinicians, researchers, program managers, policy makers and other Federal and non-Federal experts to reach consensus on state-of-the-art treatment practices. TAPs are a compilation of written materials gathered from various Federal, State, programmatic, and clinical sources. TAPs provide practical guidance and information related to the delivery of treatment services to individuals suffering from alcohol and other drug abuse disorders. *These publications are available from the National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information (NCADI).*

Technical Assistance/Training:

CSAT's Division of State and Community Assistance (DSCA) administers an extensive technical assistance program funded from the SAPT Block Grant set-aside. Technical assistance is made available to the States and their block grant subrecipients. DSCA also maintains the Treatment Improvement Exchange (TIE), a resource that provides information exchange between CSAT staff and State and local alcohol and substance abuse agencies. CSAT also supports fourteen regionally dispersed Addiction Technology Transfer Centers (ATTCs), the primary mission of which is to provide for the transfer of "best practice" information to administrators and staff of substance abuse treatment organizations, and to improve knowledge and skills of substance abuse treatment providers.

AGENCY INFORMATION

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP)

Address: 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockwall II
Rockville, MD 20857
Telephone: 301-443-0365
Fax: 301-443-5443
Webpage: www.samhsa.gov

CONTACT INFORMATION

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION

The Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP) provides national leadership in the Federal effort to prevent alcohol, tobacco, and illicit drug problems. CSAP assists in the development of comprehensive, culturally appropriate prevention policies and systems that are based on scientifically defensible principles and target both individuals and the environments in which they live. CSAP's work on prevention is concentrated in the areas of development, dissemination, and application of knowledge in settings where it is likely to assist in the prevention or reduction of substance abuse. Two examples of CSAP's programs are:

- The [High Risk Youth Demonstration Grant Program](#) which works to identify effective models in preventing alcohol and drug use among youth in high risk environments.
- The [State Incentive Grant Program](#) provides financial incentive for State governors to: coordinate or redirect Federal and State prevention resources; develop a comprehensive strategy aimed at reducing illicit drug and alcohol use by youth; and to implement science-based prevention programs in selected communities.

MINORITY HIV/AIDS PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES

CSAP's Substance Abuse Prevention (SAP) and HIV Prevention (HIP) Initiative targeting Communities of Color for the prevention of drug related HIV infection consist of the following:

- [The Substance Abuse Prevention and HIV Prevention Initiative](#) is specifically designed to address the disproportionate impact that HIV disease is having on African Americans, Latinos, American Indians/Native Americans and Asians/Pacific Islanders. The program's approach to reducing drug-related HIV infection involves incorporating the following components: ethnographic research, coalition building, policy development, and education and awareness.
- [Targeted Capacity Expansion Cooperative Agreements for Substance Abuse and HIV/AIDS Prevention](#) are aimed at increasing the capacity of Communities of Color to provide integrated/cross-trained sub-

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stance abuse prevention and HIV prevention services. These grants are targeted toward African American, Hispanics/Latinos, American Indians/Native American and Asian/Pacific Islander communities. The grant program responds to the original directive of the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC), to increase the capacity of CBOs in Communities of Color disproportionately impacted by HIV disease, to provide quality prevention services. The program promotes the selection, adoption/adaptation, implementation, and evaluation of the effectiveness of integrated substance abuse and HIV prevention interventions that are age, language and culturally appropriate, and gender and sexual orientation-specific. The program expects to develop the infrastructure necessary for providing sustained SAP & HIP services in said communities by the development of leadership, collaboration, coalitions and partnerships.

RESOURCES

Funding:

Funding opportunities are announced each fiscal year in the [Federal Register](#).

Publications:

CSAP operates the National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information (NCADI), which disseminates publications in English and Spanish. See the individual listing located in the Clearinghouse section of the directory.

Technical Assistance/Training:

CSAP's Division of State and Community Systems Development provides technical assistance to States and communities. Also, the Regional Centers for the Application of Prevention Technologies (CAPTs) provide training and technical assistance to States and communities on science-based substance abuse prevention strategies. The technical assistance services provided by these entities are funded by way of the Minority HIV/AIDS Initiative.



OTHER FEDERAL AGENCIES

AGENCY INFORMATION

Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Office of HIV/AIDS Housing

Address: 451 Seventh Street, S.W., Room 7212
Washington, DC 20410
Telephone: 202-708-1934
Fax: 202-708-9313
TTY: 800-877-8339
Web page: <http://www.hud.gov/cpd/hopwahom.html>

CONTACT INFORMATION

Contact Person: David Harre
Telephone: 202-708-1934

PROGRAM INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is the Federal agency responsible for national policies and programs that address America's housing needs, improve and develop the nation's communities, and enforce fair housing laws. In December 1996, HUD developed the National AIDS Strategy with the proposed goal of ensuring that all people living with HIV have access to services, from health care to housing, and supportive services that are affordable, of high quality, and responsive to their needs.

As part of this goal, HUD's **Office of Community Planning and Development (CPD)** administers the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) Grant Program. HOPWA provides housing assistance and supportive services for low-income people living with HIV/AIDS (PLWAs) and their families. The program administers two grant—formula and competitive—that are available to States and urban areas that can devise long-term comprehensive plans for meeting the housing and related needs (e.g., short-term rent, utility payments) of PLWAs and their families.

Grantees may use HOPWA funds for a broad range of housing services; for example:

- Emergency shelter,
- Shared housing, apartments, or group homes;
- Housing-related expenses, social services, and program development costs; and,
- Supportive services (e.g., health/mental health services, chemical dependency treatment, case management).

In addition, in very limited case-by-case circumstances, and only with approval from HUD, grantees may use HOPWA funds to pay for pharmaceutical treatments for patients. Guidance on this issue can be accessed by contacting the Office of HIV/AIDS Housing.

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HOPWA is part of the Consolidated Plan administered by the Community Development and Planning Office, which provides the framework for a planning process used by States and localities to identify housing, homeless, community, and economic development needs; and the resources and strategic plan for meeting those needs. Under the Consolidated Plan's guidelines, those entities applying for the grant must show a plan for citizen participation, including minority and non-English speaking individuals/groups.

RESOURCES

Funding: HUD makes available funding for HOPWA through the following types of grants:

Formula Grants

- Cities with a population of more than 500,000 and at least 1,500 cumulative AIDS cases; and
- States with more than 1,500 cumulative AIDS cases in areas outside cities eligible to receive HOPWA.

Competitive Grants

- States and local governments that do not qualify for formula grants; and
- Nonprofit organizations.

Technical Assistance Grants

- States and Units of local government
- Non-profit organizations.

Inquiries on these grants should be addressed to the Office of HIV/AIDS Housing.

Publications:

Publications are available through *Community Connections*; P.O. Box 7189, Gaithersburg, MD 20898-7189; phone: 1-800-998-9999; fax: 301-519-5027; TDD: 1-800-483-2209; Web page: <http://www.com-con.org>.

Technical Assistance/Training:

Technical assistance is provided by Community Connections, the Information Center of HUD, and the Community Planning and Development Office. The Center makes available copies of program regulations, descriptions of model programs, case studies of affordable housing initiatives, publications on expanding affordable housing opportunities, funding information, training and conference announcements, and referrals to technical assistance providers.

General information on housing and AIDS can also be accessed by contacting: *the AIDS Housing of Washington National Technical Assistance Project*; phone: 206-448-5242; and e-mail: info@aidshousing.org.

DATA SOURCES

Contact program person.

AGENCY INFORMATION

Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) HIV/AIDS Service

Address: 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Room 858
Washington, DC 20420
Telephone: 202-273-8567
Fax: 202-273-6243
Web page: <http://vhaaidsinfo.cio.med.va.gov/aidsctr>

CONTACT INFORMATION

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION

The mission of the VA HIV/AIDS Service is to provide the highest quality comprehensive care to veterans infected with HIV and to have that care recognized as the standard by which all HIV/AIDS care in the United States is measured. This includes all patient care activities, clinician and patient education, prevention activities and research directed at continuous improvement of medical and preventive services, and delivery of care to veterans living with HIV infection.

The major activities of the HIV/AIDS Service include the following:

- Comprehensive HIV/AIDS Care and Services: VA is the largest single provider of HIV services in the United States. During fiscal year 2000, over 17,700 veterans received HIV care from the VA health-care system, which includes 172 hospitals, over 600 clinics, domiciliary programs and long-term care facilities. VA HIV care integrates all needed services for veterans with HIV infection, including acute and chronic care, substance abuse treatment, mental health treatment, and homeless programs.
- AIDS Information Center: The Center utilizes computer technologies, particularly email and the Internet, to disseminate comprehensive scientific, medical, and psychosocial information about HIV disease throughout the VA medical system. This is critical to ensure that staff has access to timely and authoritative information required for HIV/AIDS patient care, education, and research programs. The Center is responsible for coordinating and disseminating information about AIDS Service initiatives, and programs both internal and external to VA, and is significantly involved in AIDS Service communications activities.
- Center for Quality Management in HIV Care: The Center for Quality Management in HIV Care (CQM) was established in September 1999. Its mission is to catalyze continual innovation and improvement in VA HIV clinical care via the use of quality management techniques and the translation of research into practice. The goal is to maintain and assure appropriate, cost-effective, high quality HIV care for veterans. The VA's new Center for Quality Management in HIV Care catalyzes innova-

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tion and improvement in patient care, using the VA system as a “working laboratory.” This is possible because of a unique resource of the VA, a real-time clinical HIV database. The service utilization and patient outcome data are continually reviewed, allowing information to be regularly disseminated to VA providers on how to better manage individual patients with HIV, and how to improve systems of HIV care.

- Quality Enhancement Research Initiative (QUERI): QUERI is a VA research program in eight clinical areas, including care for HIV-infected veterans. The overall goal of this program is to foster collaboration among researchers, clinical, and administrative staff so that research may be applied quickly to improve the quality of care for veterans. The HIV-QUERI has three goals: 1) to validate the VA HIV Registry and to create a research database from it; 2) to enhance its database by collecting data via surveys and chart reviews for a national sample of HIV-infected veterans; and 3) to use the database to assess the quality of care provided to HIV-infected veterans and feedback information to facilities for improving care.
- VA HIV Prevention: This program is responsible for planning, development, and oversight of health care policies and research related to HIV prevention throughout the VA health care system. The HIV Prevention program is responsible for providing ongoing clinical consultation on HIV prevention and risk reduction to VA health care providers in clinical programs where veterans at-risk for HIV are seen (e.g., acute care, mental health, substance abuse, homeless and readjustment counseling programs) as well as prevention programs for HIV-infected veterans. A wide variety of HIV prevention activities are currently in place in hospital-based and community clinics across VA, each designed to meet the needs of a diverse veteran population. Oversight activities also include a monthly national HIV Prevention conference call that provides technical assistance and support to VA clinicians to help them integrate HIV prevention strategies into routine clinical practice.
- VA HIV Registry: First established in 1992, the Immunology Case Registry (ICR) is a national-level administrative database originally designed to monitor health care service utilization. With its interface to the VA electronic medical record, the ICR provides an opportunity to monitor and improve the quality of clinical care for HIV-positive patients receiving VA care. The Registry contains demographics, diagnoses, resource utilization, pharmacy and laboratory data on nearly 50,000 HIV patients in the VA system. The HIV Registry provides local and national tracking of veterans by severity of the disease into four separate but distinct categories based on the immune status and presence of opportunistic infections. In order to maintain patient confidentiality, no personal identifiers (e.g., name, social security numbers) are sent to the national ICR.
- Center for HIV Research Resources: The Center for HIV Research Resources (CHRR), located at the VA Palo Alto Health Care System, facilitates and catalyzes research opportunities benefiting the clinical care of HIV-infected veterans. The goal of CHRR is to make state-of-the-art therapies, technologies and strategies easily accessible to the HIV infected veteran by catalyzing successful partnerships between funding agencies and VA investigators to constantly improve the care delivered to the patients they serve. The CHRR assesses the research and clinical trial experience of all current VA clinical HIV programs in an effort to determine their potential to conduct and support a variety of research initiatives.

MINORITY HIV/AIDS PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES

Today's HIV/AIDS patient population in the VA is mainly represented by minority patients. The demographic information obtained from the HIV Registry indicates that nearly 58 % of the 17,761 veterans treated during fiscal year 2000 were Black or Hispanic.

RESOURCES

Publications:

The AIDS Information Center makes available news releases and fact sheets on AIDS Service initiatives and programs. The Center also edits a biweekly, electronic AIDS information newsletter, which provides HIV-related material to staff throughout the VA medical system. *These documents are available on the Center's and AIDS Service's Web sites.*



CLEARINGHOUSES AND HOTLINES

AIDS Clinical Trials Information Service (ACTIS)

Address:	P.O. Box 6421 Rockville, MD 20849-6421
Telephone:	1-800-TRIALS-A or 800-874-2572 (English, Spanish, and Portuguese)
International	301-519-0459
TTY:	888-480-3739
Fax:	301-519-6616
Web page:	http://www.actis.org
E-mail:	actis@actis.org

PROGRAM INFORMATION

SPONSORING AGENCY

The AIDS Clinical Trials Information Service (ACTIS) is sponsored by the following Federal agencies: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, National Library of Medicine, and the Food and Drug Administration.

DESCRIPTION

ACTIS provides free and confidential information about HIV/AIDS clinical trials to persons with HIV disease and AIDS; their families and friends; health care providers; and Federal, State and local agencies using the following services:

- Health Information Specialists answer questions about specific clinical trials including: the purpose of the clinical trial; location of the trial; eligibility; exclusion criteria; and names, email addresses and telephone numbers of contact persons in English, Spanish, and Portuguese.
- Health Information Specialists are available to speak to the community in English, Spanish, and Portuguese (when possible).
- Free copies of clinical trials data base searches and other clinical trial related information are sent to the caller on request.
- Ability to search from home, via the Internet (<http://www.actis.org>), the clinical trial and drug databases.
- Online access (<http://www.actis.org>) to general information about clinical trials, vaccine information and trials, press releases, and other HIV/AIDS clinical trial resources.

MINORITY HIV/AIDS PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES

ACTIS is committed to meeting the needs of minority communities by offering written materials in layman's terms. Spanish translations of many educational materials are available. Health Information Specialists, speaking English, Spanish, and Portuguese, are available to answer questions by telephone or email, and to speak directly to groups, organizations or the community when possible.

CLEARINGHOUSES AND HOTLINES

CDC National Prevention Information Network (NPIN) National AIDS Clearinghouse

Address: P.O. Box 6003
Rockville, MD 20849-6003
Telephone: 800-458-5231 (English and Spanish)
Fax: 888-282-7681
Web page: <http://www.info@cdcnpin.org>

Libraries and Resource Centers:

CDC National Prevention Information Network (NPIN) Resource and Training Center in Silver Spring, Maryland

Open Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., EST
Phone: 800-458-5231; Fax: 888-282-7681; TTY: 800-243-7012
NPIN Silver Spring Resource and Training Center, 8401 Colesville Road, Suite 200, Silver Spring, MD 20910

NPIN Resource and Training Center on the CDC Campus in Atlanta, Georgia

Open Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., EST
Phone: 404-320-1950; Fax NPIN: 404-982-0346
Atlanta CDC NPIN Resource and Training Center, MS E-21, Atlanta, Georgia 30329

NPIN Resource and Training Center at the Johns Hopkins University Center for Communication Programs

Open Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., EST
Phone: 410-659-6300; Fax: 410-659-6266
E-mail: mmc@jhuccp.org
Web Site: www.jhuccp.org/mmc/mmc.stm
NPIN Resource and Training Center
JHU Center for Communication Programs, 111 Market Place, Suite 310, Baltimore, MD 21202

PROGRAM INFORMATION

SPONSORING AGENCY

The National Prevention Information Network is sponsored by the National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

DESCRIPTION

NPIN is the national reference, referral and distribution service for information on HIV/AIDS, STDs, and TB. Services are designed to facilitate the sharing of information and resources among people

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working in HIV, STD, and/or TB prevention, treatment, and support services.

NPIN services include the following:

- **NPIN FAX** — reports, fact sheets, and other publications related to HIV, STD, and TB prevention;
- **LISTSERV** — subscription to daily CDC HIV/STD/TB Prevention News Update by e-mail. Send blank message to: preventionews-subscribe@cdcnpin.org.
- **References/Referral** — provision of up-to-date information about organizations that provide HIV/AIDS-, STD- and TB-related services, educational materials, and funding resources;
- **Resources/Trainings** — various publications are available for research/reference on prevention and education; training is available on how to use library and other resources. Three sites are available for visitors: Silver Spring, Maryland; Atlanta, Georgia; and Baltimore, Maryland; and
- **Online database** — enabling consumers to access information on publications, federal offices and private organizations, and conferences.

MINORITY HIV/AIDS PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES

Spanish language publications and information specialists are available to the public. Information about minority programs can be accessed through the resource centers or by calling NPIN.

HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service (ATIS)

Address:	P.O. Box 6303 Rockville, MD 20849-6303
Telephone:	800-HIV-0440 or 800-448-0440 (English, Spanish, and Portuguese)
International:	301-519-0459
TTY:	888-480-3739
Fax:	301-519-6616
Web page:	http://www.hivatis.org
E-mail:	atis@hivatis.org

PROGRAM INFORMATION

SPONSORING AGENCY

The HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service (ATIS) is sponsored by the following Federal agencies: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; National Institutes of Health; Health Care Financing Administration; and the Health Resources and Services Administration.

DESCRIPTION

ATIS provides current treatment information on HIV disease and AIDS and referrals to resources via the following services:

- Health Information Specialists provide free and confidential answers to questions and concerns, for people with HIV disease and AIDS, their families and friends, and healthcare providers. Referrals to national, state, and local organizations are also provided. Responses are provided in English, Spanish, or Portuguese by telephone or email.
- Health Information Specialists are available to speak to the community in English, Spanish, and Portuguese when possible.
- One free copy of educational materials, PHS treatment guidelines, and press releases are mailed on request. Bulk copies of many items are available, if the requestor pays shipping handling costs.
- Online access via our web site (<http://www.hivatis.org>) to: current treatment information; educational materials; the adult and adolescent, perinatal, pediatric PEP and OI PHS treatment guidelines; links to additional HIV/AIDS related sites; and press releases.
- Spanish translations of many publications are available.

MINORITY HIV/AIDS PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES

ATIS is committed to meeting the needs of minority communities by providing written materials in layman's terms. Spanish translations of many educational materials and the adult and adolescent PHS treatment guidelines are available. Health Information Specialists, speaking English, Spanish, and Portuguese, are available to answer questions by telephone or email and to speak directly to groups, organizations or the community when possible.

CDC National AIDS Hotline and National STD Hotline

Telephone: 800-342-AIDS(2437) (HIV information in English)
800-800-227-8922 (STD information in English)
800-344-SIDA(7432) (HIV and STD information in Spanish)
TTY: 800-AIDS-TTY (243-7889) (HIV and STD information)
Web page: <http://www.ashastd.org>

PROGRAM INFORMATION

SPONSORING AGENCY

The National AIDS and the National STD Hotlines are sponsored by the National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention, and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

DESCRIPTION

The CDC National AIDS and STD Hotlines, including its Spanish Service and TTY Service (Deaf and Hard of Hearing), are operated under contract with the American Social Health Association. The Hotlines makes available the following services:

- Information specialists who are available (24 hours a day, 7 days a week) to provide information on prevention, risk, testing, treatment, referrals, and other HIV- and STD-related concerns. The service will also send free publications through the mail.
- Educational materials on HIV/AIDS, women's health, and sexually transmitted diseases, as well as, resources for youth, parents, and health professionals. Materials are available by calling: 800-783-9877, 8am - 4pm EST, (24 hour voice mail).
- A free confidential service (Group Calls) which enables groups to call the CDC National AIDS Hotline and ask questions about HIV/AIDS. Participants have the opportunity to ask AIDS-related questions during the call. Participants can also call back, in private, and talk about any aspect of HIV and AIDS. The service is free, and calls can be scheduled day or night.

MINORITY HIV/AIDS PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES

The Hotlines operate a Spanish information line and a TTY line (Deaf and Hard of Hearing) 24 hours a day 7 days a week. The Hotlines, Web pages, and publications can also be accessed in Spanish.

CLEARINGHOUSES AND HOTLINES

The National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information (NCADI)

Address: 11426 Rockville Pike, Suite 200 Rockville, Maryland
Telephone: 800-729-6686 (English and Spanish)
Fax: 301-468-6433
Webpage: www.health.org

PROGRAM INFORMATION

SPONSORING AGENCY

The National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information (NCADI) is sponsored by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA).

DESCRIPTION

NCADI is a centralized source of information on alcohol and other drug issues. Information is available to the general public, drug and alcohol prevention specialists, drug and alcohol treatment specialists, educators, schools, community centers, hospitals, and students. The Resource Library (located in Rockville, Maryland) is open Monday through Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. EST. NCADI makes available the following services:

- The Information Services Department which provides information on alcohol and substance abuse via telephone, e-mail, voice mail, postal mail, TDD, and fax.
- The Regional Alcohol and Drug Awareness Resource (RADAR) Network, which facilitates access to information on current regulations, alcohol and drug use, scientific findings, campaigns and materials, and other resources at the state and local levels. The RADAR Network consists of state clearinghouses, specialized information centers of national organizations, the Department of Education Regional Training Centers, and other organizations. *For more information contact: 800-729-6686 ext. 5111.*
- A Web page which enables individuals and groups to access 11 different online databases to allow for research in the different fields of drug, alcohol, and tobacco use; information on publications; fact sheets; conference listings; and current research. There also are nine online forums available to the public.
- An online database with information on available federal grants and contracts dealing with substance abuse.

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- An inventory contains over 500 items, including pamphlets, books, conference reports, posters, flyers, videos, fact sheets, and resource lists. Information specialists provide referrals, suggest publication, research requests, and customized searches on many alcohol and drug-related topics.
 - A bimonthly publication, developed by SAMHSA's Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP), Prevention Pipeline, offers current, comprehensive information about preventing substance abuse problems.

MINORITY HIV/AIDS PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES

The Clearinghouse provides bilingual (English/Spanish) telephone assistance and can provide information on minority programs.



APPENDICES

APPENDIX A: FEDERAL AGENCIES AND RESOURCES

Administrative Agency	Sub-Agency	HIV/AIDS Minority Programs	Funding Opportunities	Publications	Training & Technical Assistance	Clearinghouse	Webpage
ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
ADMINISTRATION ON AGING				✓		✓	✓
AGENCY FOR HEALTHCARE RESEARCH AND QUALITY		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION	National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion	✓					✓
	National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
	AIDS Clinical Trials Information Service	✓		✓		✓	✓
	CDC National Prevention Information Network	✓		✓		✓	✓
	HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service	✓		✓		✓	✓
	National AIDS Hotline & National STD Hotline	✓		✓		✓	✓
FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION		✓		✓		✓	✓
HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION	HIV/AIDS Bureau	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT	Office of HIV/AIDS Housing	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE		✓			✓		✓
NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH	National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Disease	✓					✓
	National Institute on Child and Human Development	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
	National Institute on Drug Abuse	✓	✓	✓			✓
	National Institute of Mental Health	✓	✓	✓			✓
	Office of AIDS Research	✓		✓			✓
OFFICE OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND SCIENCE	Office of HIV/AIDS Policy	✓			✓		✓
	Office of Minority Health	✓		✓		✓	✓
	Office of Population Affairs		✓	✓		✓	✓
	Office of Women's Health	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION	Center for Mental Health Services	✓		✓			✓
	Center for Substance Abuse Treatment	✓	✓		✓		✓
	Center for Substance Abuse Prevention	✓		✓			✓
	National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information	✓		✓		✓	✓

APPENDIX B: QUICK REFERENCE FOR AGENCY WEB PAGES

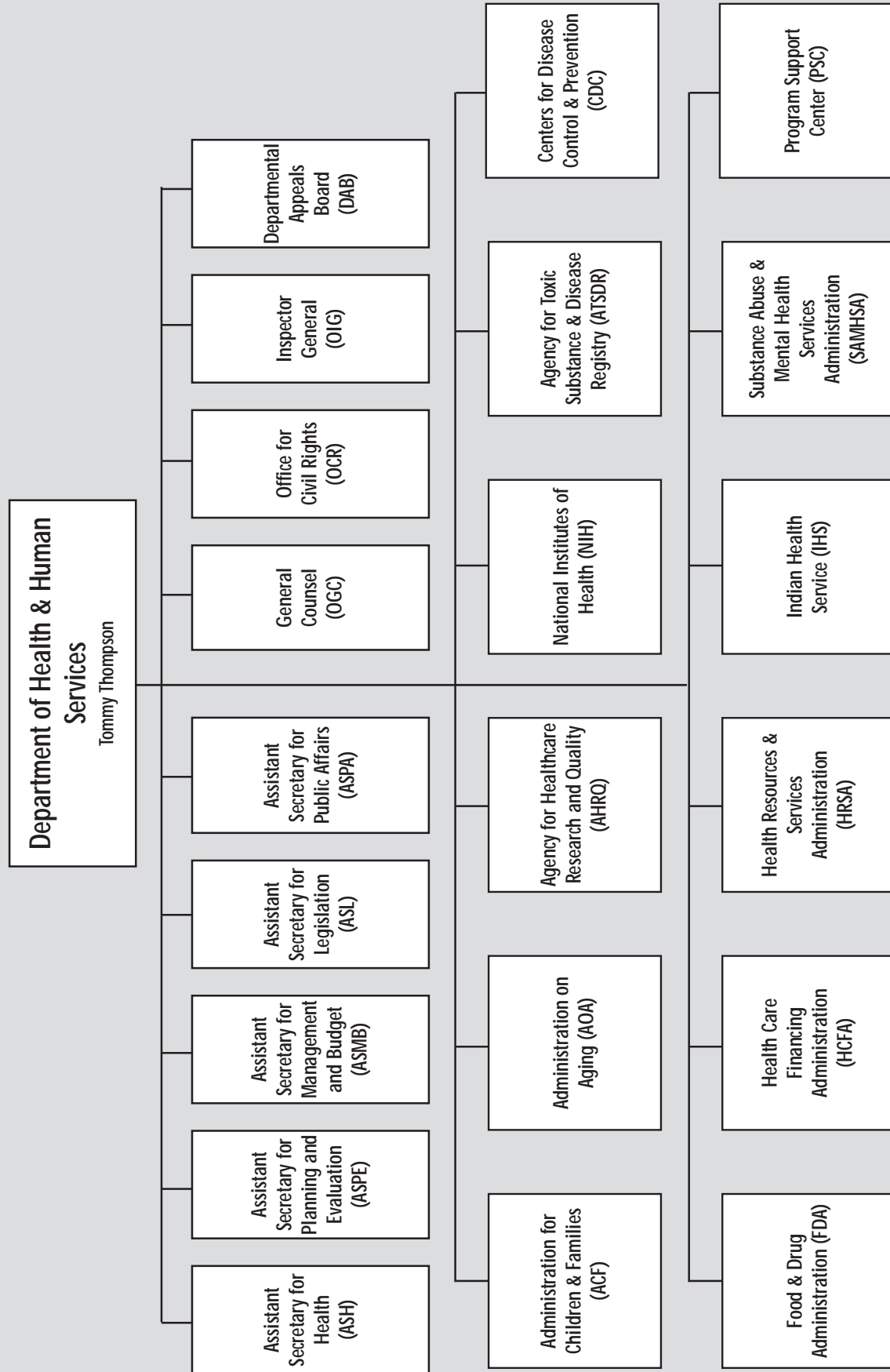
	Federal Agencies	Web Pages
ACF	Administration for Children and Families	www.acf.dhhs.gov
AOA	Administration on Aging	www.aoa.gov
AHRQ	Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality	www.ahrq.gov
CDC	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention	www.cdc.gov
	National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion	www.cdc.gov/nccdphp
	National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention	www.cdc.gov/nchstp/od/nchstp.html
DHHS	Department of Health and Human Services	www.dhhs.gov
FDA	Food and Drug Administration	www.fda.gov
HCFA	Health Care Financing Administration	www.hcfa.gov
HRSA	Health Resources and Services Administration HIV/AIDS Bureau (HAB)	www.hrsa.dhhs.gov/hab
HUD	Department of Housing and Urban Development	www.hud.gov/cpd/hopwahom.html
	Office of HIV/AIDS Housing	
IHS	Indian Health Service	www.ihs.gov
NIH	National Institutes of Health	www.nih.gov
	National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Disease (NIAID)	www.niaid.nih.gov
	National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD)	www.nichd.nih.gov/default.htm
	National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA)	www.nida.nih.gov
	National Institutes of Mental Health (NIMH)	www.nimh.nih.gov
OPHS	Office of AIDS Research (OAR)	www.nih.gov/od/oar
	Office of HIV/AIDS Policy (OHAP)	www.surgeongeneral.gov/ophs/hivaids.htm
	Office of Minority Health (OMH)	www.omhrc.gov
	Office of Population Affairs (OPA)	www.hhs.gov/opa
SAMHSA	Office of Women's Health (OWH)	www.4woman.gov
	Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)	www.samhsa.gov
	Center for Mental Health Services (CMHS)	www.samhsa.gov/centers/cmhs/cmhs.html
	Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT)	www.samhsa.gov/centers/csap/csap.html
	Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP)	www.samhsa.gov/centers/csap/csap.html

APPENDIX C: QUICK REFERENCE FOR HEALTH INFORMATION AND CLEARINGHOUSES

Type of Information	Clearinghouse	Contact Information
Minority Health	Office of Minority Health Resource Center (OMHRC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 800-444-6472 (English and Spanish) • www.omhrc.gov
HIV/AIDS/STD Information	AIDS Clinical Trials Information Service (ACTIS)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 800-TRIALS-A (English, Spanish, and French) • 888-480-3739 (Hearing Impaired) • www.actis.org
	CDC National Prevention Information Network (NPIN) National AIDS Clearinghouse	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 800-458-5231 • www.cdcpin.org
	HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service (ATIS)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 800-HIV-0440 (800-448-0440) (English and Spanish) • 888-480-3739 (Hearing Impaired) • www.hivatis.org
	National AIDS Hotline National STD Hotline	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 800-342-AIDS (2437) (HIV/AIDS information in English) • 800-227-8922 (STD information in English) • 800-344-SIDA (7432) (HIV/AIDS/STD information in Spanish) • 800-AIDS-TTY (243-7889) (HIV/AIDS/STD information for the hearing impaired) • www.ashastd.org
Drug Abuse	National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information (NCADI)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 800-729-6686 (English and Spanish) • www.health.org
General Health	Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 800-336-4797 (General health information) • www.healthfinder.gov • 800-367-4725 (Healthy People 2010) • www.health.gov/healthypeople

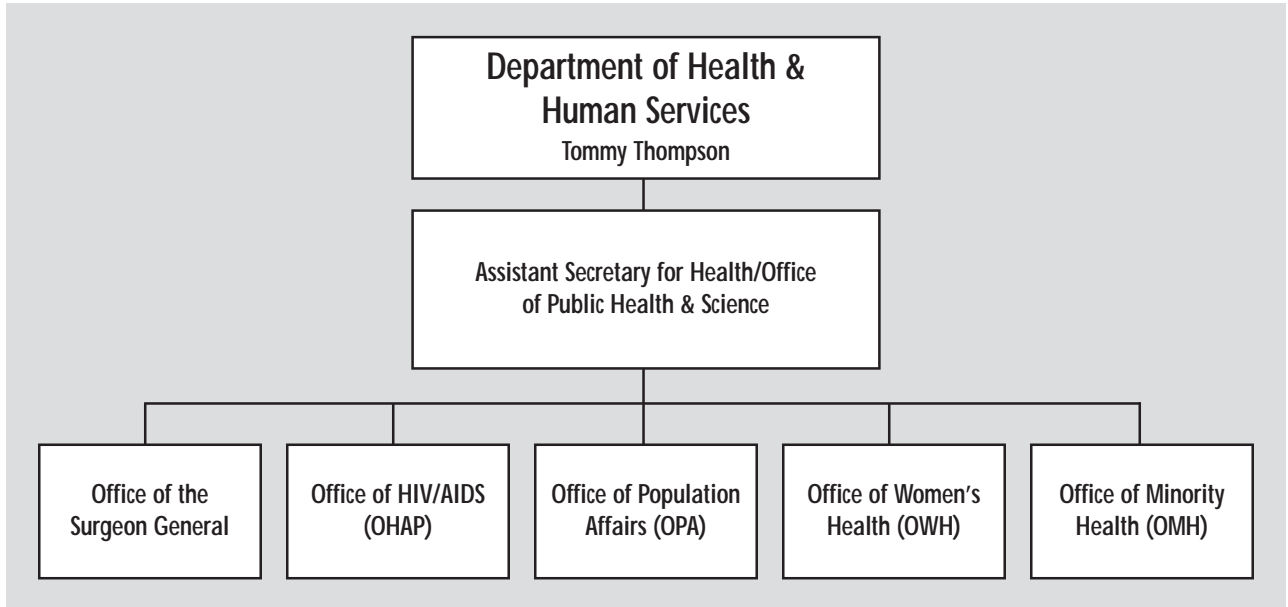
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Department of Health and Human Services



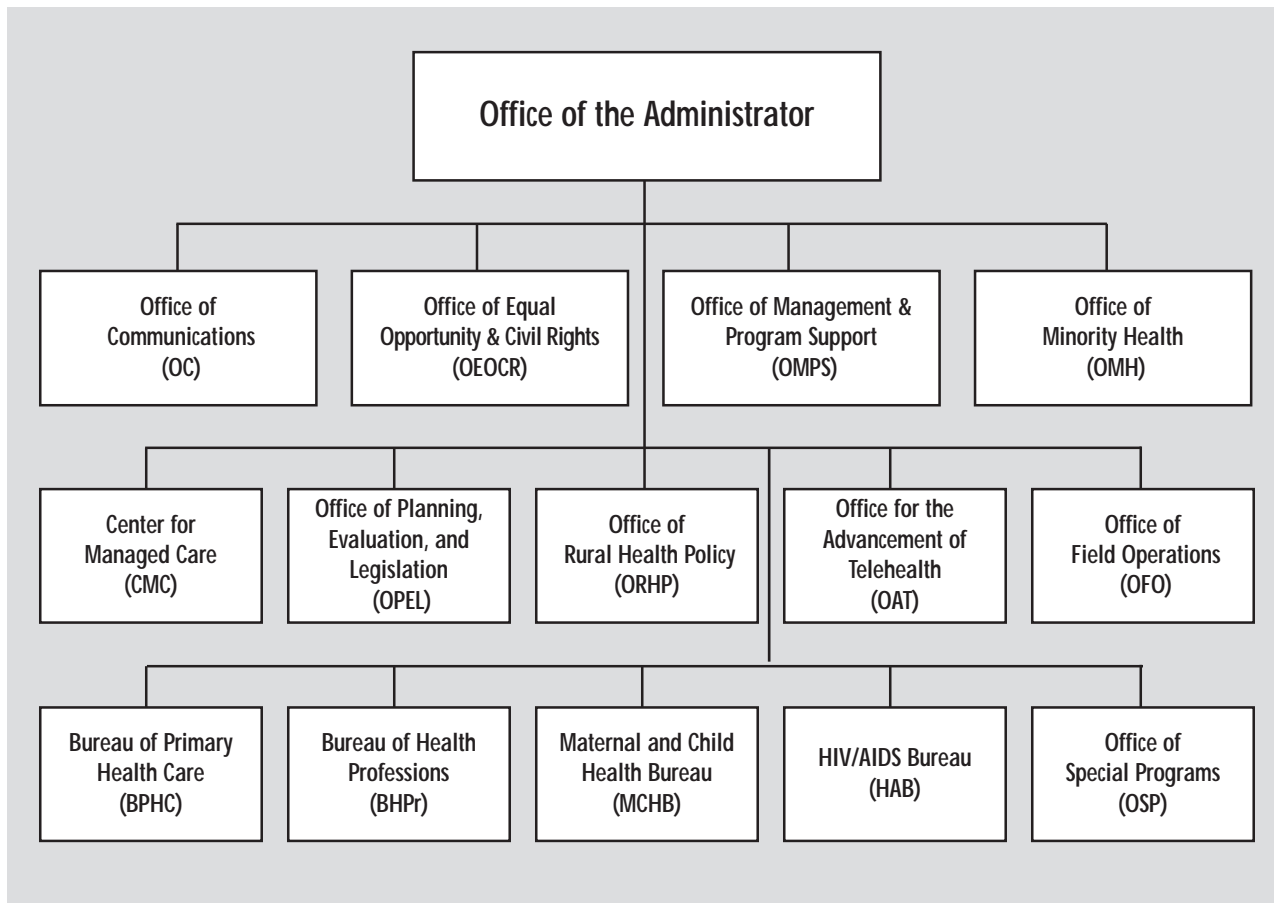
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DHHS Office of Public Health and Science (OPHS)

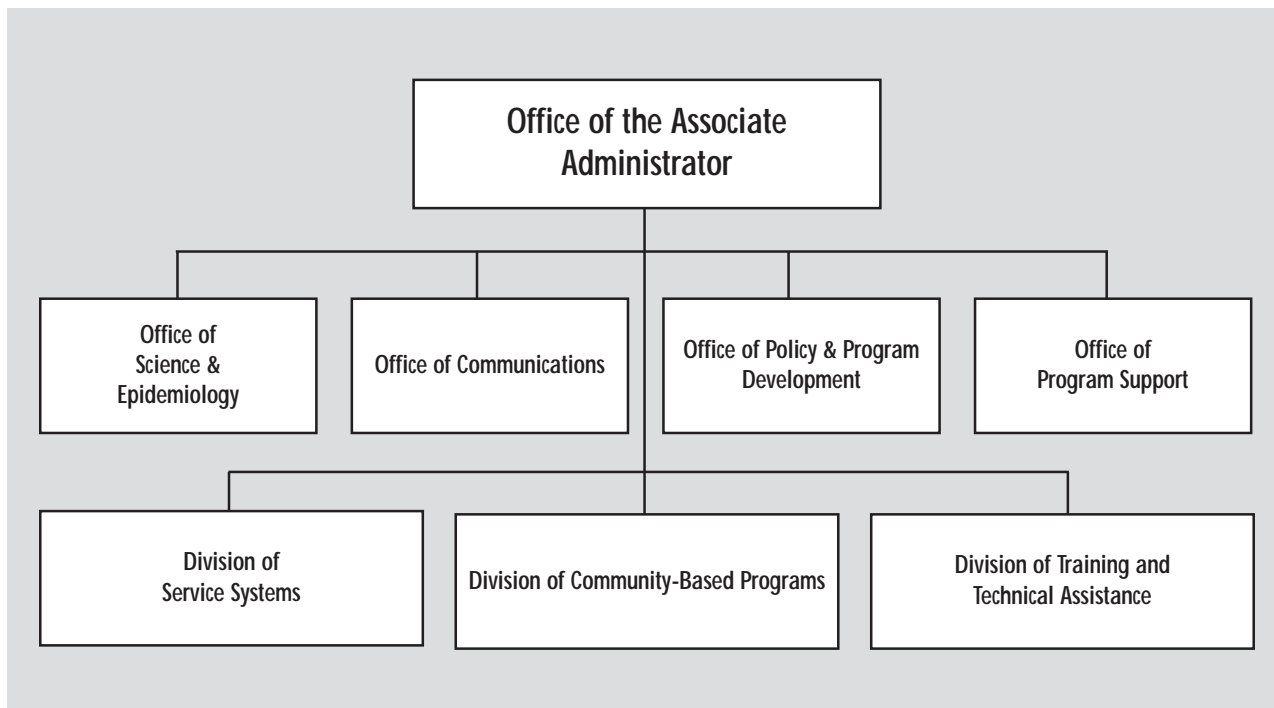


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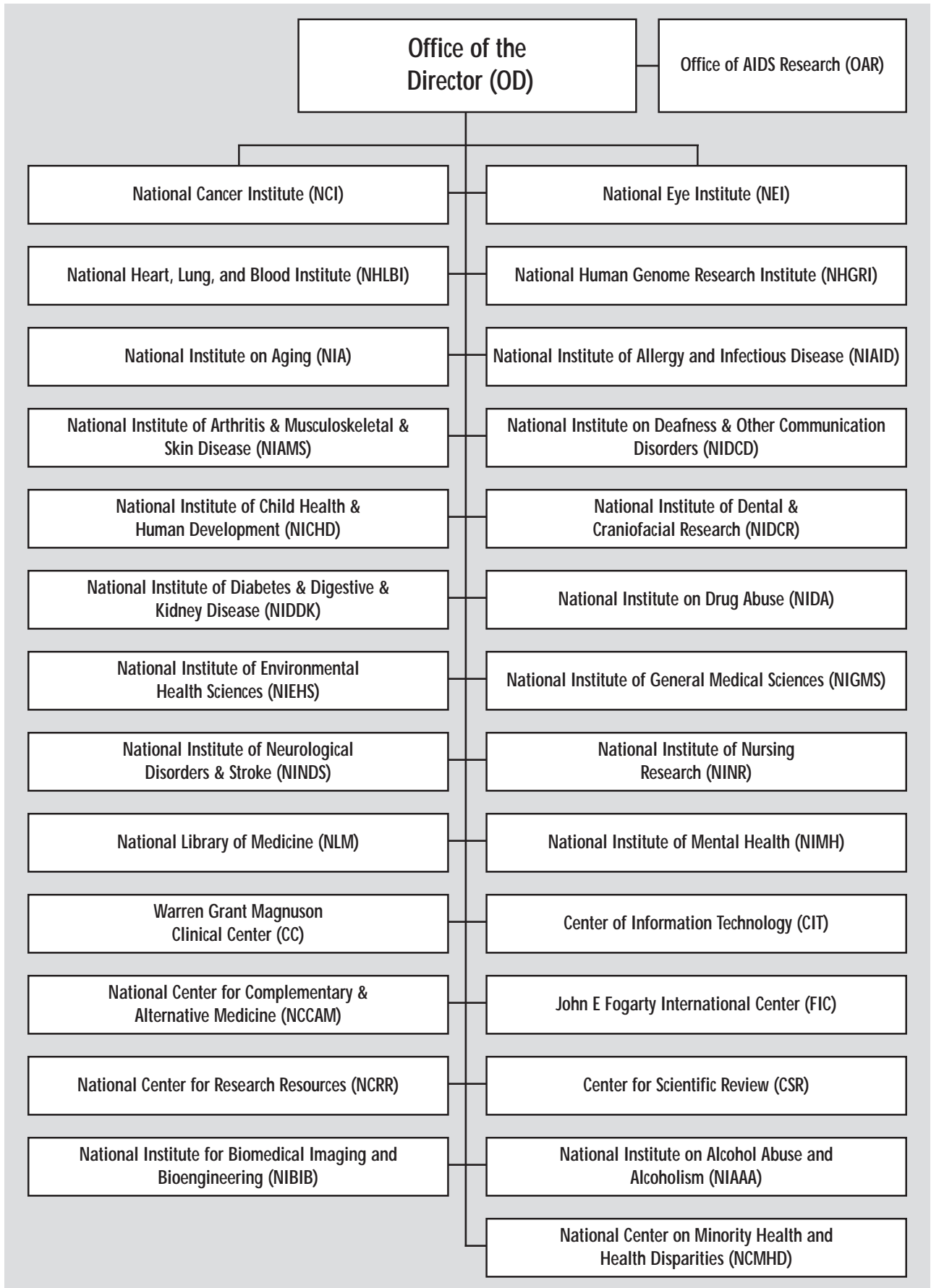


Health Resources and Services Administration HIV/AIDS Bureau



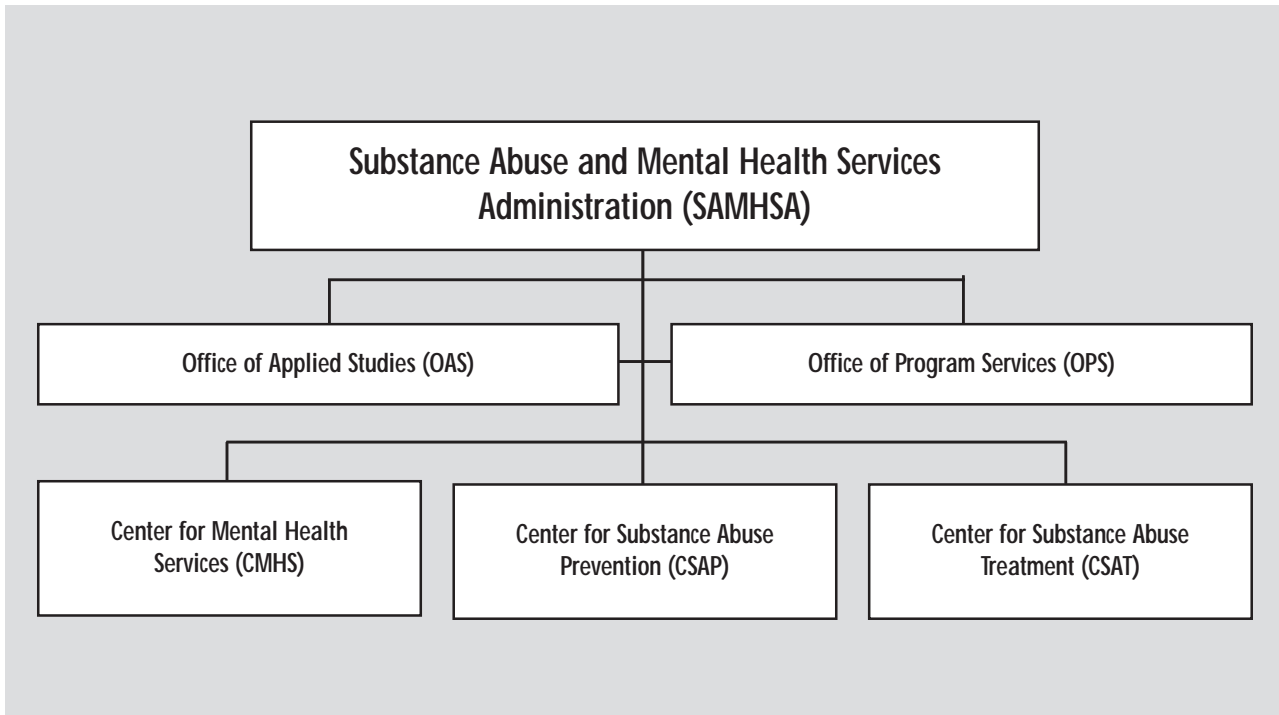
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National Institutes of Health



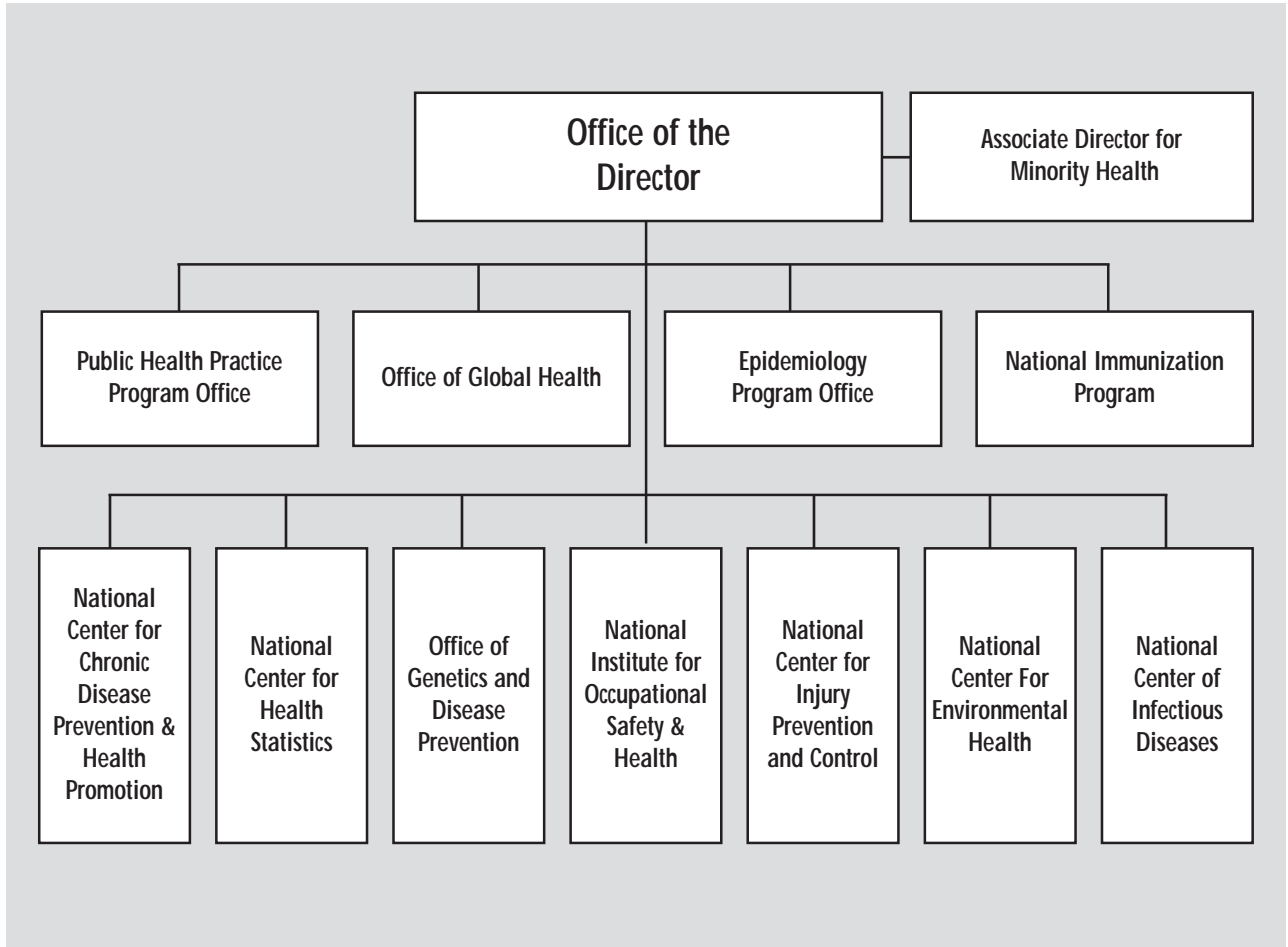
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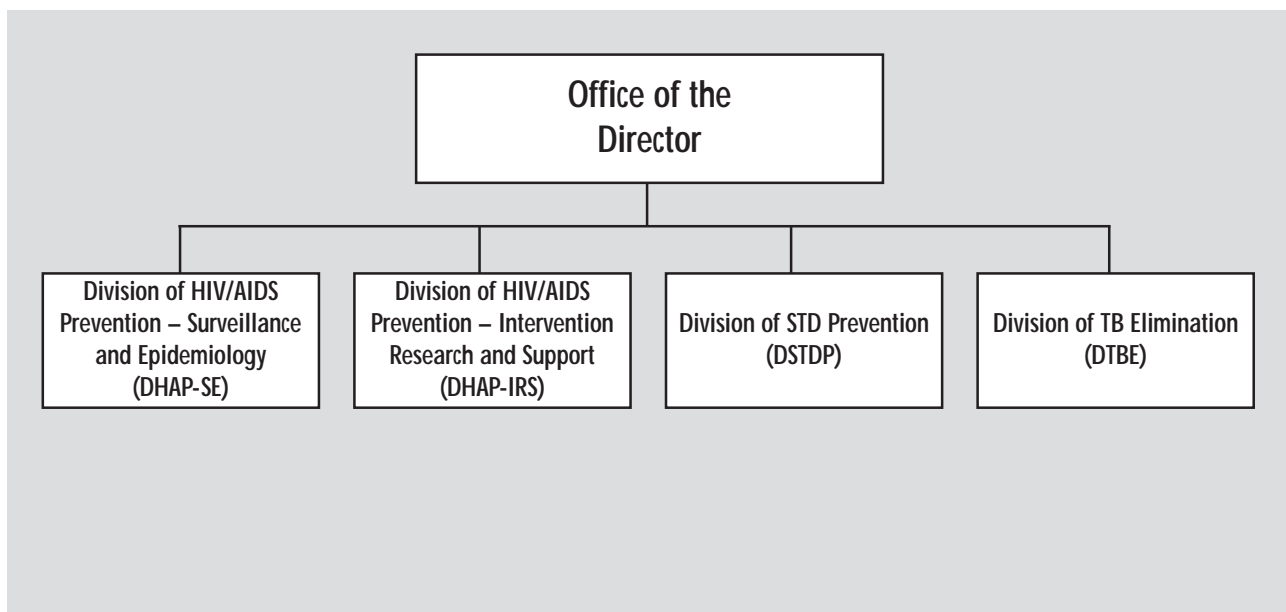


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Centers for Disease Control and Prevention



Centers for Disease Control and Prevention National Center for HIV, STD and TB Prevention





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