



CDC/HRSA Advisory Committee on HIV, STI, and Viral Hepatitis

HIV/AIDS Bureau Updates

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Vision: Healthy Communities, Healthy People



HRSA HAB Vision and Mission

Vision

Optimal HIV care and treatment for all to end the HIV epidemic in the U.S.

Mission

Provide leadership and resources to advance HIV care and treatment to improve health outcomes and reduce health disparities for people with HIV and affected communities.



Presentation Agenda

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HRSA HAB Program Updates



2024 National Ryan White Conference (NRWC) Updates



- HAB is planning a hybrid conference that will take place on August 20-23, 2024, at the Marriott Marquis in Washington, DC
- Registration opened on February 14th. Register at: <https://ryanwhiteconference.hrsa.gov/>
- If you have any questions or problems registering, please contact Registration@ryanwhiteconference.org

2024 National Ryan White Conference Updates (cont.)

- Exhibitor registration is now open through June 14th. Register at: <https://ryanwhiteconference.hrsa.gov/>
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ON HIV CARE & TREATMENT

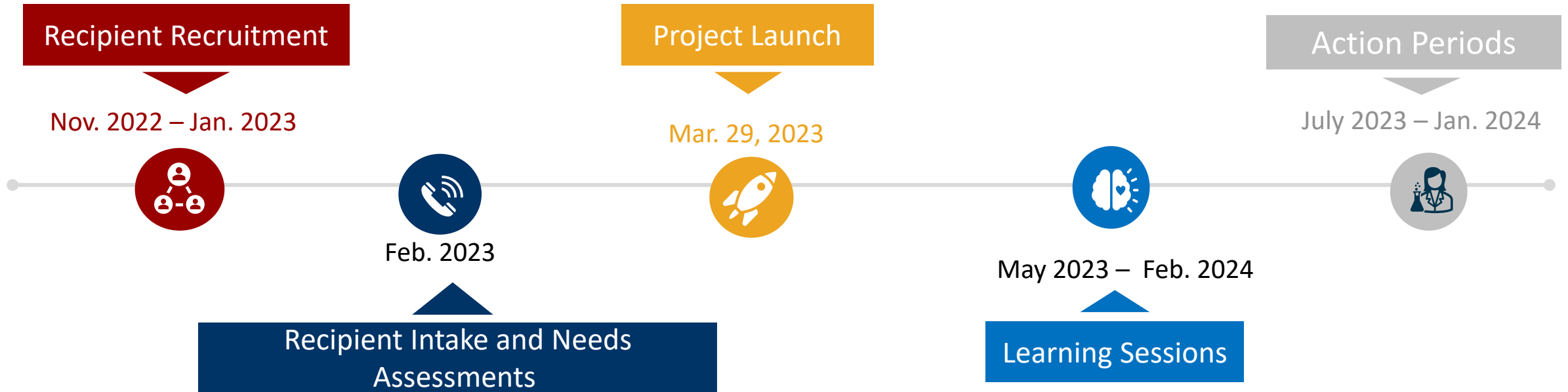


2024 NRWC Abstract Updates

- All 2024 NRWC abstracts are currently under review.
- Submitters will be notified if their abstract was accepted in mid-April.



Part D Communities of Practice (CoP) #1 Program Highlights



Part D CoP #2: Trauma-Informed Care and Behavioral Health community of practice launched in March 2024 and runs through February 2025



Check Out the Newly Updated HIV/AIDS Bureau Library

Repository of peer-reviewed journal articles that demonstrate the impact of the RWHAP

- Includes articles authored by HRSA, HAB contractors and recipients, and academic researchers
- Can filter by
 - Keyword, topic, or journal
 - HRSA authored or HRSA funded
- Updated regularly
- Access abstracts and articles via NIH PubMed

Read about new research, advancements, and innovations relevant to the RWHAP!

HIV/AIDS Bureau Library

HRSA's Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP) provides a comprehensive system of HIV primary medical care, medication, and essential support services to more than half a million people with diagnosed HIV in the U.S. The RWHAP funds and coordinates with cities, counties, states, and local community-based organizations to deliver efficient and effective HIV care, treatment, and support services for low-income people with HIV.

This page has been created to centralize peer-reviewed journal articles that demonstrate the impact of the RWHAP. Articles are organized by category and some articles may be listed under multiple categories. Articles are also organized by HRSA authorship and/or sponsorship and publication year.

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Show only HRSA-Authored articles HRSA-Funded articles

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The Black women first initiative: using implementation science to examine bundled interventions to improve care and treatment coordination for Black women with HIV

Rajabiun S, Heath C, Wangari Walter A, Scott JC, Downes A, Jennings E, Cabral HJ, Flores-Rodriguez C, Sprague Martinez L

<https://ryanwhite.hrsa.gov/resources/elibrary>



RWHAP Best Practices Compilation Reaches 100 Interventions!



The RWHAP Best Practices Compilation gathers and disseminates interventions that improve outcomes along the HIV care continuum.

Search and share today!
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What Kinds of Interventions are Included?



Effective approaches actively being used in RWHAP and other HIV-service delivery settings

- Also known as intervention strategies or interventions
- Include either direct medical or support services, or both
- Enough information to support replication

Demonstrated effectiveness at improving client outcomes along and beyond the HIV care continuum

- Some have published evidence, others have shown impact at the local level

Compilation Functions



HRSA Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP) Center for Quality Improvement and Innovation (CQII)



The 18-month learning collaborative aims to improve health outcomes and advance local quality improvement capacities.

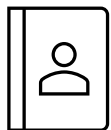
CQII's Impact Now collaborative is a national quality improvement initiative that:

- Maximizes the viral suppression rates
- Focuses on RWHAP recipients and subrecipients that have the highest potential for a measurable national impact
- Enrolls up to 30 RWHAP providers to raise their viral suppression rates to the national viral suppression mean and beyond

Public Health and Policy Updates



Reminder: Strategies to Minimize Coverage Loss During the Medicaid Continuous Enrollment Unwinding



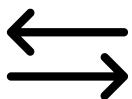
- Updating member contact information



- Conducting outreach and education



- Engaging the community and other key partners



- Promoting seamless coverage transitions



Access the toolkit: <https://www.medicare.gov/sites/default/files/2023-11/patient-centered-messaging-clinical-offices-hlth-care-sett.pdf>

National Syphilis and Congenital Syphilis Syndemic Federal Task Force

- Department of Health and Human Services multi-agency task force.
- Goal to reduce rates of primary and secondary syphilis and congenital syphilis
- Aligns with the STI National Strategic Plan
- Action Steps
 - Optimize syphilis screening
 - Expand access to testing and treatment
 - ✓ Importation Extencilline – Bicillin equivalent – available for order
 - ✓ Extencilline, Injection, 1,200,000 units
 - ✓ Extencilline, Injection, 2,400,000 units
 - Increase awareness and education among provider groups
 - ✓ Letters from agencies to grant recipients
 - Engage communities and health departments
 - ✓ Equity Workshops



HRSA's HIV/AIDS Bureau's Syphilis Response

- **Program Letters**
 - Syphilis and Congenital Syphilis in Indian Country - July 6, 2023
 - Role of Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program in Addressing STIs and Mpox - April 26, 2023
 - HRSA and CDC Status Neutral Approach Framework - January 17, 2023
- **Clinical Conference**
 - Plenary and workshop sessions
- **Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program AIDS Education and Training Center (AETC) Program**
 - Identify provider training opportunities



Ryan White Program 2030



Four Pillars of Ending the HIV Epidemic in the U.S. (EHE)

75%
reduction
in new
HIV
diagnoses
in 5 years
and a
90%
reduction
in 10
years.



Diagnose

All people with HIV as early as possible.



Treat

People with HIV rapidly and effectively to reach sustained viral suppression.



Prevent

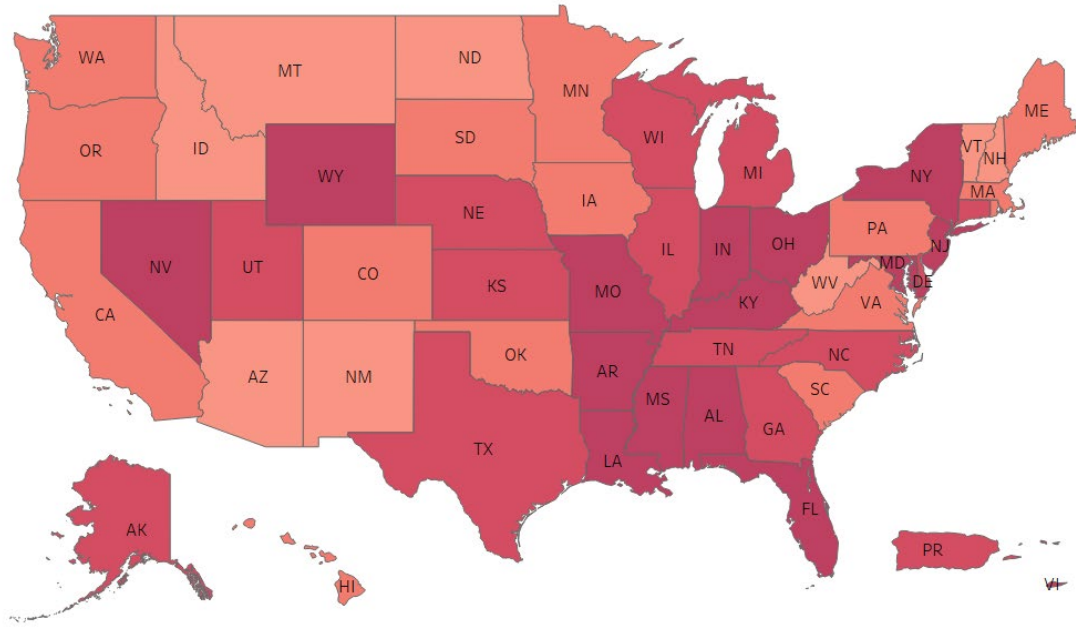
New HIV transmissions by using using proven interventions, including pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) and syringe services programs (SSPs).



Respond

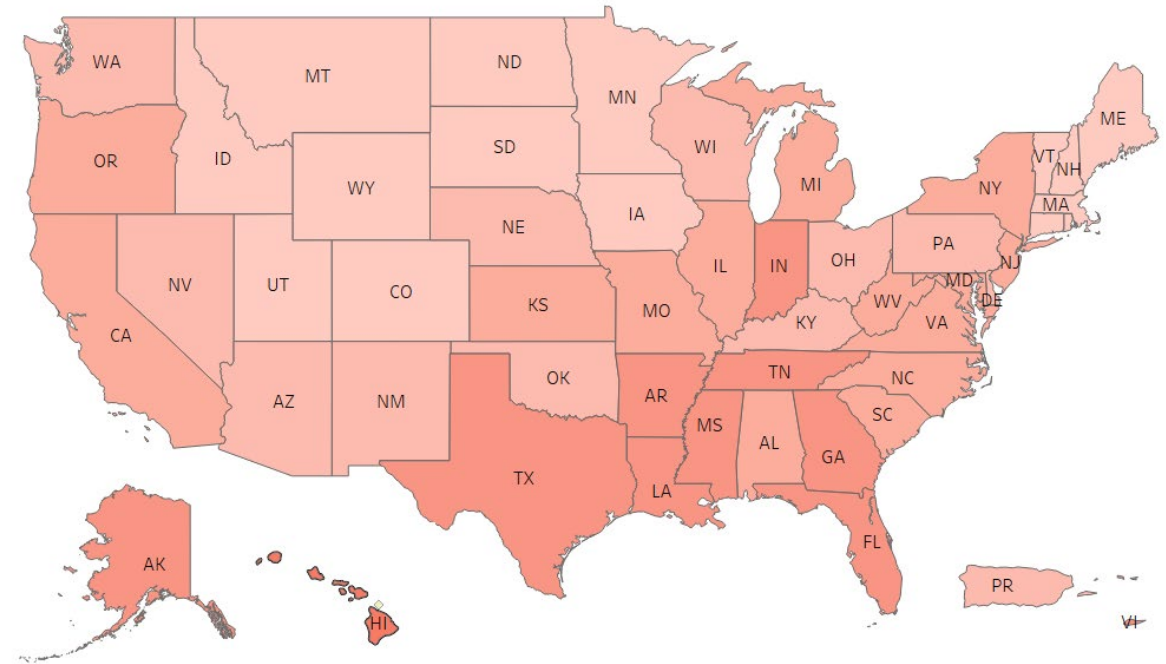
Quickly to potential HIV outbreaks to get needed prevention and treatment services to people who need them.

Viral Suppression among RWHAP Clients by State, 2010 and 2022—United States and 2 Territories^a



IN 2022

89.6%
VIRALLY SUPPRESSED



IN 2010

69.5%
VIRALLY SUPPRESSED

Viral Suppression (%)

- 52.9-66.9
- 67.0-72.9
- 73.0-79.9
- 80.0-88.9
- 89.0-90.9
- 91.0-92.9
- 93.0-95.5

Viral suppression: ≥ 1 OAHS visit during the calendar year and ≥ 1 viral load reported, with the last viral load result < 200 copies/mL.

^a Guam, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.



Diagnosing and Linking People with HIV to Effective Care is Critical for Preventing New Transmissions

HIV Transmissions in the United States, 2016

% of People with HIV	Status of Care	Accounted for X% of New Transmissions ^a
15%	Didn't know they had HIV	38%
23%	Knew they had HIV but weren't in care	43%
11%	In care but not virally suppressed	20%
51%	Taking HIV medicine and virally suppressed	0%

8 in 10
NEW INFECTIONS COME FROM
PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT IN HIV CARE.

^a Total does not equal 100% because of rounding. Source: CDC.²⁹

Achieving the Ending the HIV Epidemic in the U.S. Goals

People with HIV in care

- Improve viral suppression rates
- Decrease disparities

People newly diagnosed with HIV

- Enhance linkage to care
- Enhance engagement in care

People with HIV out of care

- Expand re-engagement in care
- Improve retention in care

RYAN WHITE 2030: VISION

HRSA HAB's vision of optimal HIV care and treatment for all to end the HIV epidemic in the U.S. calls us to focus on:

REACHING PEOPLE WITH HIV WHO ARE OUT OF CARE



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Source: Custom data analysis from the HIV/AIDS Bureau Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Services Report, January through December 2021, and the HIV/AIDS Bureau AIDS Education and Training Center Data System, July 2020 through June 2021.



Recent HRSA HAB Funding Opportunities



Supporting People with HIV as Leaders in HIV Systems of Care

Project Period: Sept. 1, 2024 – Aug. 31, 2028

Goal:

Support leadership development and enhance meaningful engagement for people with HIV in health care planning and programs

Program activities are to:

- Conduct training of trainers (ToT) for people with HIV on leadership in RWHAP activities
- Provide supports to ToT trainees to help them accomplish goals related to the ToT
- Develop and disseminate relevant tools and lessons learned

Objectives:

- Increase leadership capacity, representation, and engagement of people with HIV in RWHAP planning, development, implementation, evaluation, and clinical quality management
- Develop skills and knowledge transfer through peer learning
- Support the readiness of people with HIV to impact HIV systems of care and operations.



HRSA HAB Commitment to Streamlining Eligibility

Policy Clarification
Notice 21-02 release to promote continuity of care, avoid unnecessary disruptions in coverage, and reduce administrative burden

OCT 2021

APR 2023

Internal Focus
Groups with HAB project officers

MAY - JUN
2023

Notice of Funding Opportunity to award one cooperative agreement (\$2 million annually) for a two-year SPNS initiative project period

AUG 2023

JAN 2024

Request for Information with the AIDS Drug Assistance Programs (ADAPs) to better understand current ADAP eligibility processes and challenges, including those regarding collaboration, data sharing and data systems

Technical Expert Panels with a cross-section of RWHAP recipients across several states to represent different RWHAP models and experiences for Parts A-D, including the ADAP



Linking Eligibility Across RWHAP – Dissemination Assistance Provider

Project Period: August 1, 2024 – July 31, 2026

Goal:

Increase access to care for people with HIV by promoting efficiencies in RWHAP eligibility and confirmation across all RWHAP Parts.

One cooperative agreement to:

- Examine current eligibility determination and confirmation processes and identify administrative, technical, and legal barriers
- Identify best practices that improve navigation for clients who seek services from multiple RWHAP recipients and subrecipients
- Develop and disseminate materials about eligibility determination and confirmation processes
- Facilitate peer-to-peer information exchange and dissemination of information.

Objectives:

- Promote efficiencies
- Improve the customer experience
- Reduce administrative burden
- Increase the availability of tools for adoption



Two New FY 2024 Funding Opportunities for the RWHAP AIDS Education and Training Center (AETC) Program

- **FY 2024 Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part F Regional AETC Program Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)**
 - Funding under this announcement will support eight regional AETCs
- **FY 2024 Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part F AETC Program: National AETC Support Center (NASC) NOFO has been released.**
 - The NASC will support AETC Program recipients and their local partners to deliver highly effective HIV training and workforce development programs and improve program coordination and outcomes
 - HRSA will fund one entity under this announcement



RWHAP Implementation for HIV Clinical Quality Improvement

Goal:

Provide RWHAP Part A through D recipients with training and technical assistance (T/TA) to implement quality improvement methodologies

One cooperative agreement to:

- Provide T/TA that addresses the development, implementation, and sustainability of quality improvement activities

Objectives:

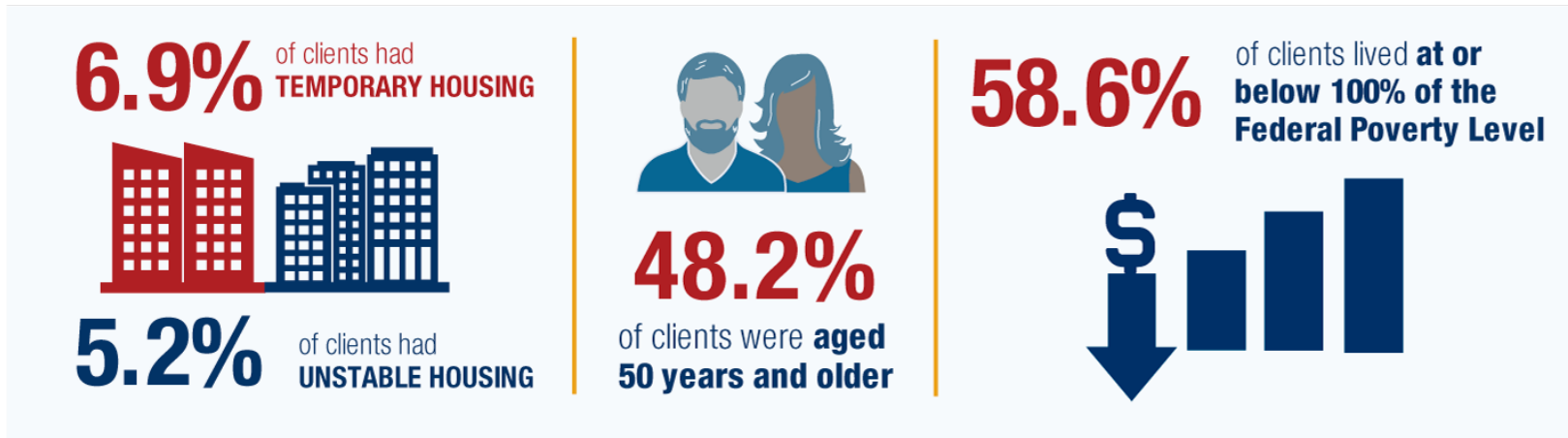
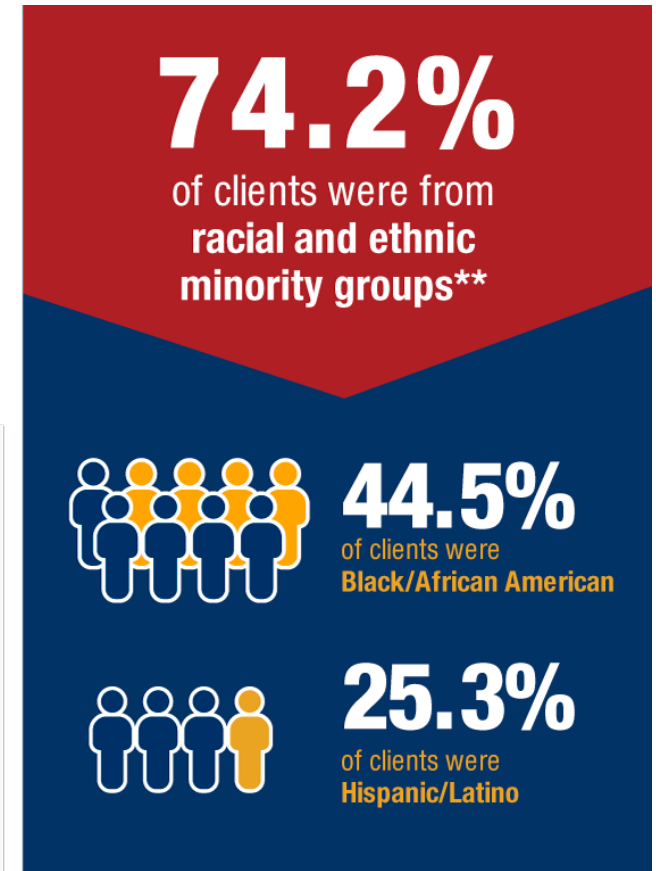
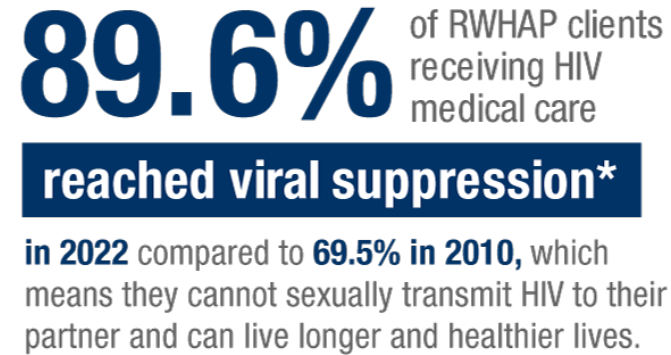
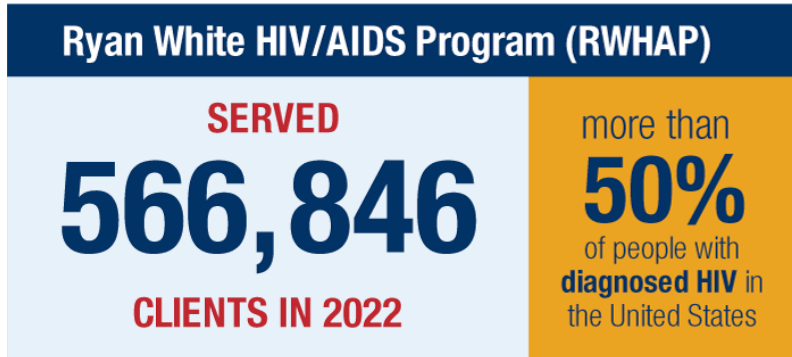
- Strengthen Part A through D recipients' skills of quality improvement
- Develop and disseminate quality improvement resources
- Promote sustainable adoption of quality improvement methodologies, and techniques
- Implement activities in alignment with RWHAP statute, Policy Clarification Notice 15-02, and other HRSA HAB policy notices and program letters



Data Updates

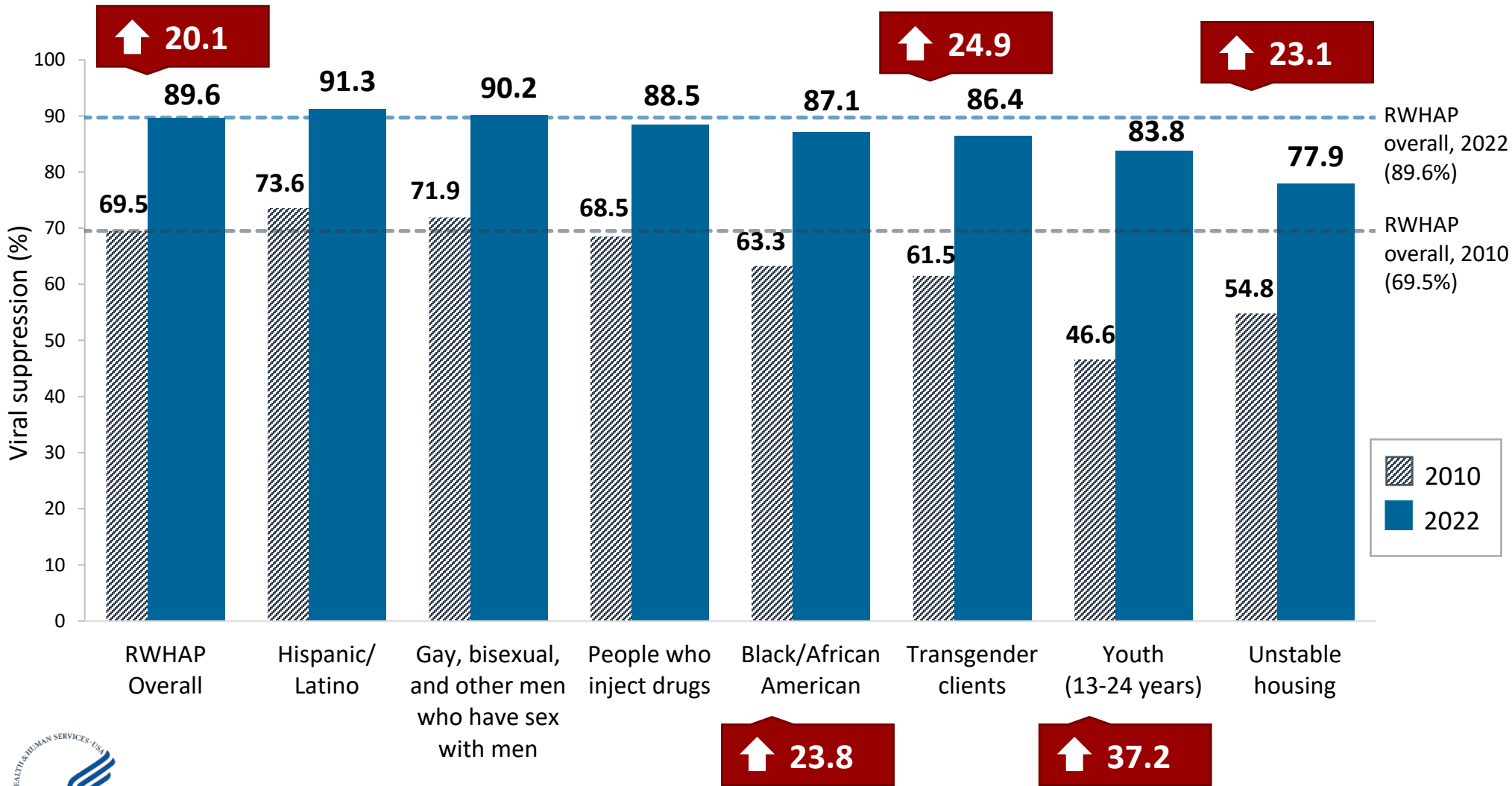


HRSA's Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program By the Numbers: 2022



* Viral suppression is based on data for people with HIV who had at least one outpatient ambulatory health services visit and at least one viral load test during the measurement year and whose most recent viral load test result was less than 200 copies/mL.
** Clients self-identified as 25.8% White and less than 2% each American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian, Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, and persons of multiple races. Hispanics/Latinos can be of any race.
Data sourced from 2022 Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Annual Data Report.

Significant progress has been made in viral suppression among priority populations, 2010 and 2022



Inequities remain among priority populations:

- Blacks/African Americans
- Transgender people
- Youth (13–24 years)
- People with unstable housing

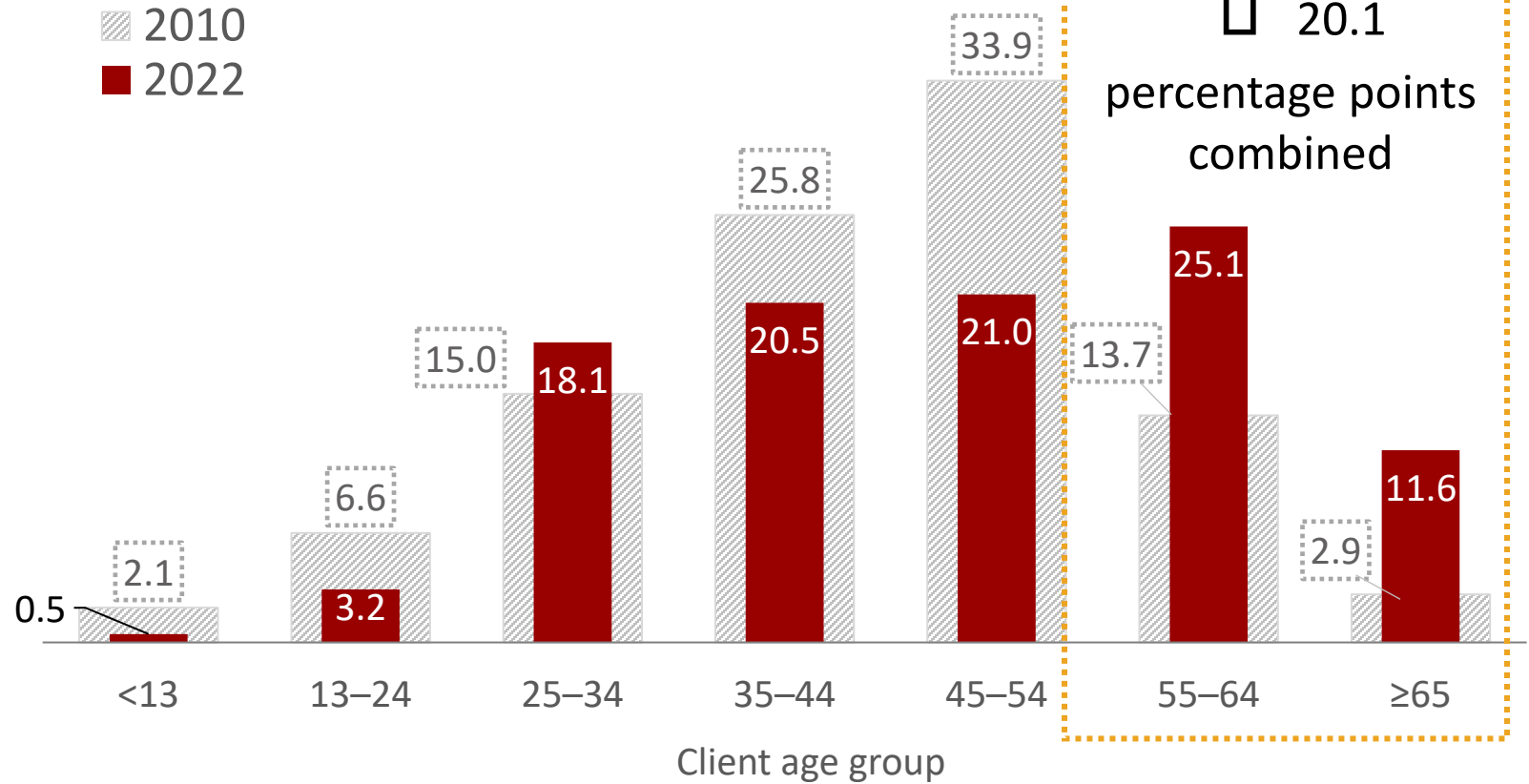


The RWHAP client population is aging: the percentage of clients aged 55 years and older grew by 20 percentage points from 2010 through 2022

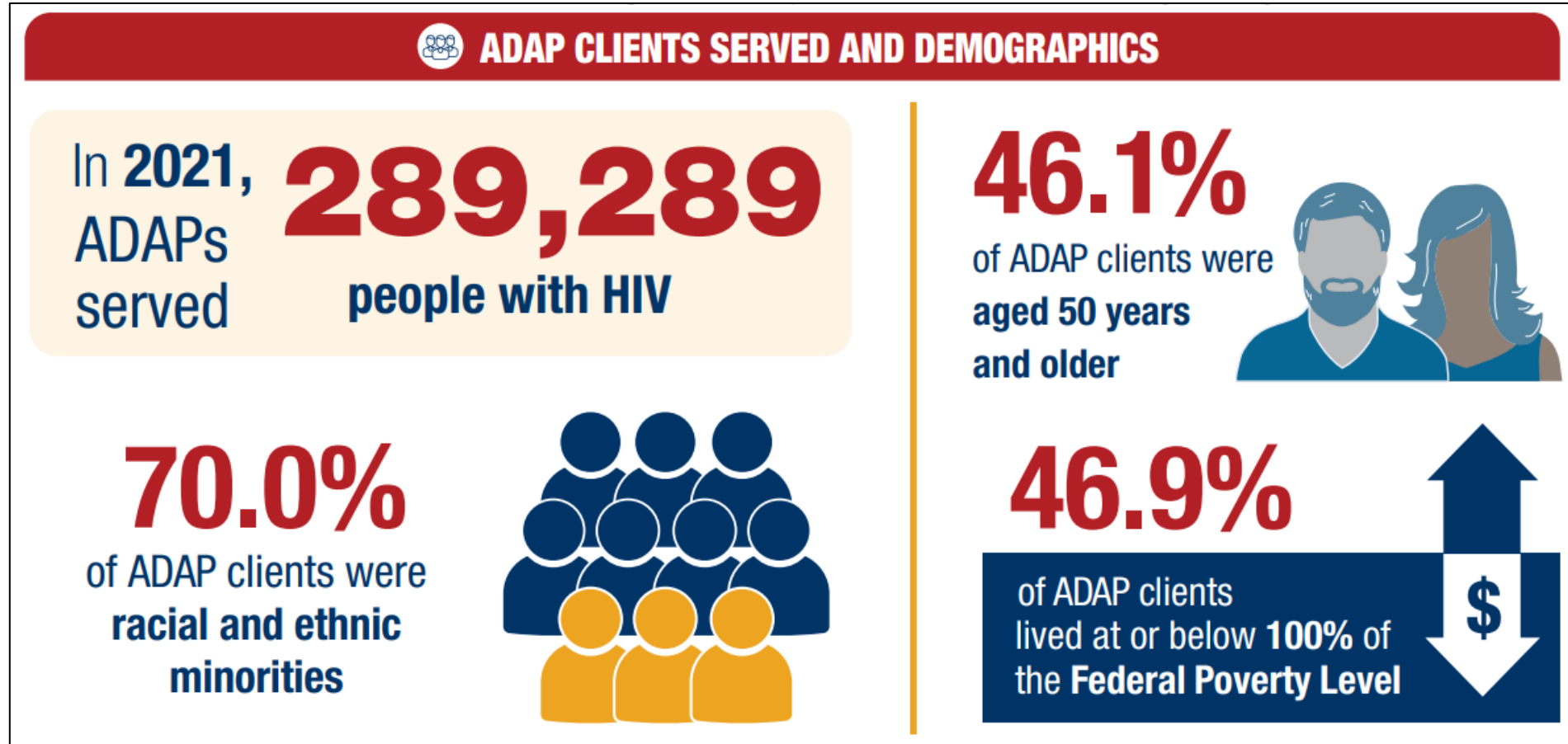


48.2% of RWHAP clients are aged 50 years and older.

Percentage of all RWHAP clients



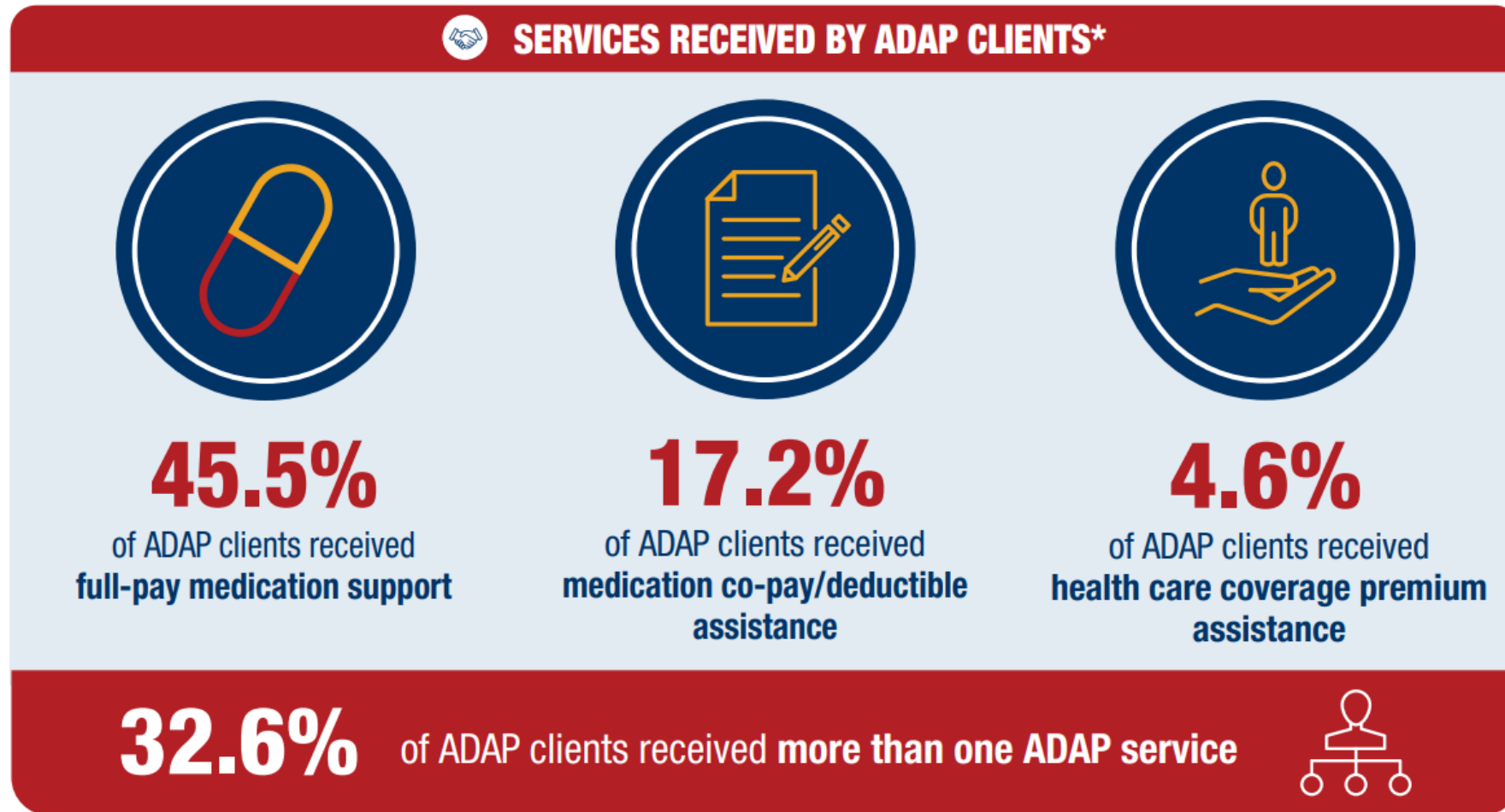
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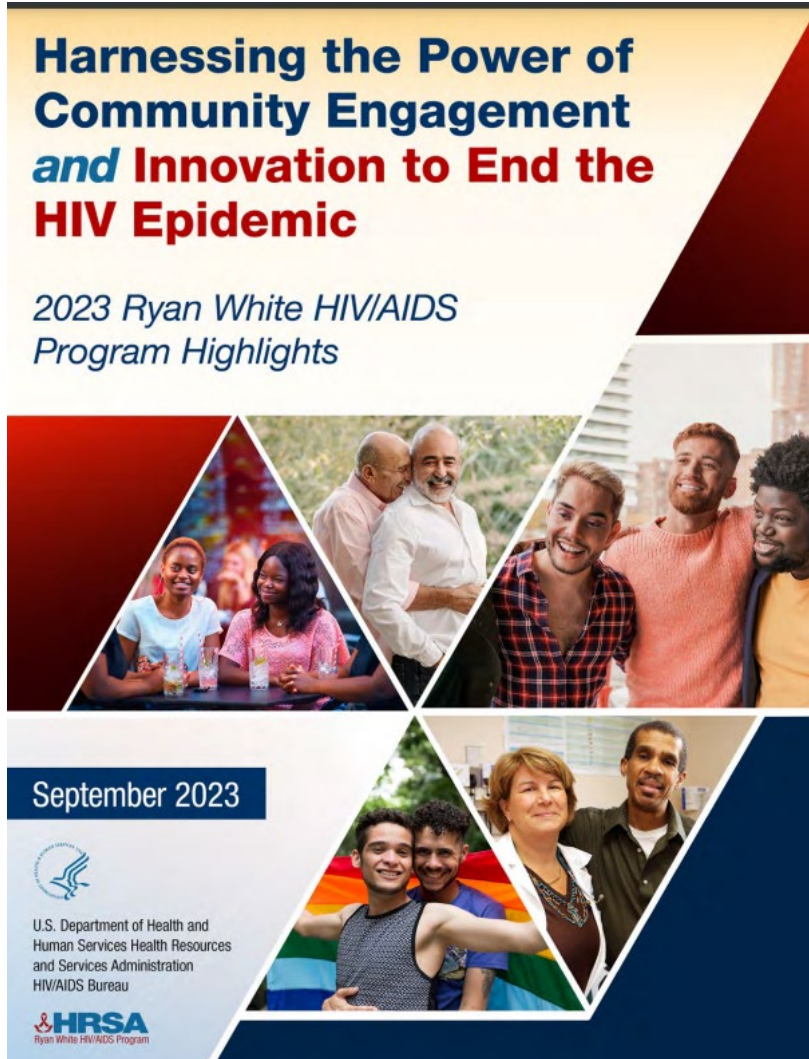
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Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Highlights Biennial Report: 2023



- HRSA released *Harnessing the Power of Community Engagement and Innovation to End the HIV Epidemic, 2023 Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Highlights in October 2023*
- Access the report: <https://ryanwhite.hrsa.gov/data/biennial-reports>

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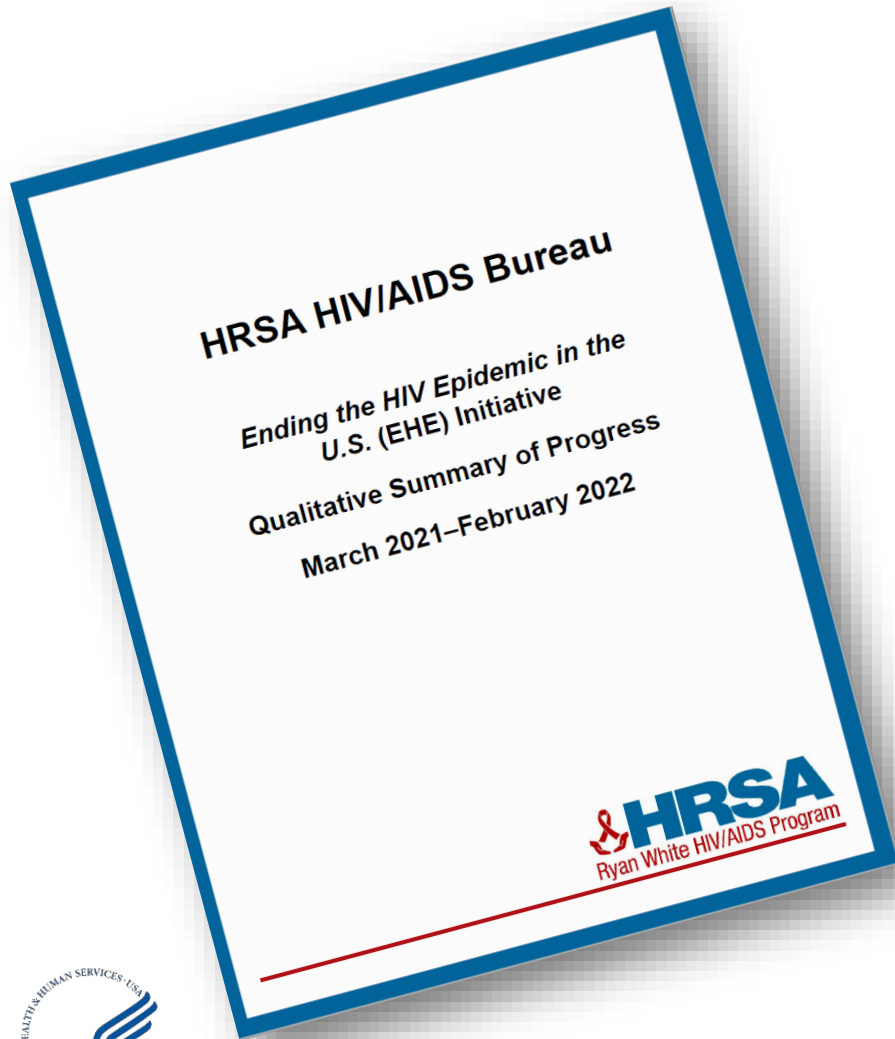
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EHE Initiative Qualitative Summary of Progress: March 2021-February 2022



- HRSA HAB’s Year 2 publication of qualitative data regarding the EHE initiative.
- Uses narrative information and anonymized quotes from EHE progress reports submitted by HAB EHE recipients to describe and summarize:
 - EHE activities and accomplishments;
 - barriers and challenges faced during EHE implementation; and
 - EHE impact and innovations.
- Facilitates the dissemination of EHE strategies and activities
- Learn more: <https://ryanwhite.hrsa.gov/data/reports>

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Among Clients New to Care in 2021

By the end of 2021, **78.6%** of clients who were new to care and were receiving HIV treatment **reached viral suppression**, which means they cannot sexually transmit HIV to their partner and can live longer and healthier lives.



21.7%
are temporarily
or unstably housed



66.9%
live at or below 100% of
the **Federal Poverty Level**



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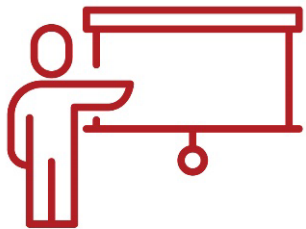
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HIV WORKFORCE TRAININGS

RWHAP Part F **AIDS Education and Training Centers (AETCs)** expand the capacity of the HIV health care workforce by **training** and **supporting** health care team members and students in support of EHE goals.

From **July 2020** through **June 2021**, RWHAP Part F AETC Program Recipients



conducted **335**
EHE-funded trainings



trained **3,286**
HIV care professionals

Source: Custom data analysis from the HIV/AIDS Bureau Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Services Report, January through December 2021, and the HIV/AIDS Bureau AIDS Education and Training Center Data System, July 2020 through June 2021.



HRSA HAB Hosted Series of Ending the HIV Epidemic in the U.S. (EHE) Intensive TA Workshops

- **EHE Intensive Technical Assistance Workshops**
 - September and October 2023 Workshops: 13 States and Jurisdictions attended
 - January 24-25, 2024: Atlanta, GA (Jurisdictions in FL, GA, LA, NC, TN, and TX)
 - February 28-29, 2024: Los Angeles, CA (Jurisdictions in AZ, CA, TX, NV, and WA)
 - March 20-21, 2024: Washington, DC (Jurisdictions in FL, IL, MD, MI, NC, NJ, and NY)



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