



Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STDs)

Ending the HIV Epidemic in the U.S. (EHE): Scaling Up HIV Prevention Services in STD Specialty Clinics

Overview

Through the EHE initiative, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has set an ambitious goal of reducing all new HIV infections in the U.S. by 90% by 2030. To support this goal, HHS has provided multiple funding opportunities to jurisdictions.

- In 2019, CDC awarded supplemental funding to strengthen the infrastructure of STD clinics serving a high volume of racial/ethnic and sexual minorities to enhance and scale up HIV prevention services and build upon activities supported under [PS19-1901: Strengthening STD Prevention and Control for Health Departments \(STD PCHD\)](#).
- In January 2020, CDC continued support for scaling up HIV prevention services in STD specialty clinics with the announcement of the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO): [PS20-2010: Integrated HIV Programs for Health Departments to Support Ending the HIV Epidemic in the United States \(EHE\)](#) to support the development and implementation of programs tailored to ending the HIV epidemic in America. This NOFO is made up of three components; Component C is focused on implementing strategies and activities that scale up HIV prevention services to reach populations that access care in STD clinics.
- In August 2020, a new investment from the Minority HIV/AIDS Fund (MHAF) aimed to specifically address under-resourced STD clinics. This investment leverages the current CDC-funded [PS20-2004: National Network of Sexually Transmitted Diseases Clinical Prevention Training Centers \(NNPTC\)](#) to bolster training and technical assistance efforts so STD specialty clinics can better provide HIV prevention services. Activities include providing onsite or distance-based (web or phone) consultations, guidance to conduct clinic assessments, in-person site visits, and resources.

Scaling Up HIV Prevention Services in STD Specialty Clinics

Component C funding is intended to strengthen the infrastructure of STD clinics, which serve a high volume of racial, ethnic, sexual and gender minorities. STD clinics play a vital role in the EHE initiative because:

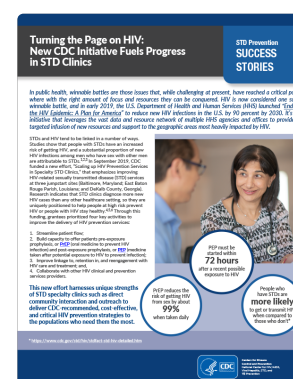
- They serve populations who are not engaged in HIV prevention programs, or primary healthcare system for their STD and HIV prevention care;
- They serve as an important healthcare setting for patients who may not otherwise have access to healthcare services;
- STDs are associated with a higher risk of acquiring HIV and indicate increased risk of HIV acquisition in future and potential need for PrEP.

In the third year of Component C funding, recipients will again focus on implementing five strategies to scale up HIV prevention services to reach populations that receive and seek care in STD clinics.

Five Strategies

1. Assess or re-assess clinic infrastructure to document HIV prevention services, identify gaps, and assess service quality.

Success Stories



Turning the Page on HIV: New CDC Initiative Fuels Progress in STD Clinics

Three CDC-funded jurisdictions scaled up HIV prevention services in STD clinics to deliver critical HIV prevention strategies to the populations who need them most.



STI Prevention Success Stories

2. Implement evidence-based approaches to scale up HIV prevention capacity in STD clinics, including self-collected STD testing, express visits, HIV testing and viral load assessment.
3. Expand the capacity of STD clinics to offer pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP), post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP), and strengthen clinic and laboratory capacity for recommended follow-up visits for people on PrEP.
4. Optimize linkage to, retention in, and re-engagement with HIV medical care.
5. Facilitate partnerships with other community HIV clinical providers, health departments, and community-based organizations providing HIV prevention services and collaborating in the implementation of EHE.

Award Recipients

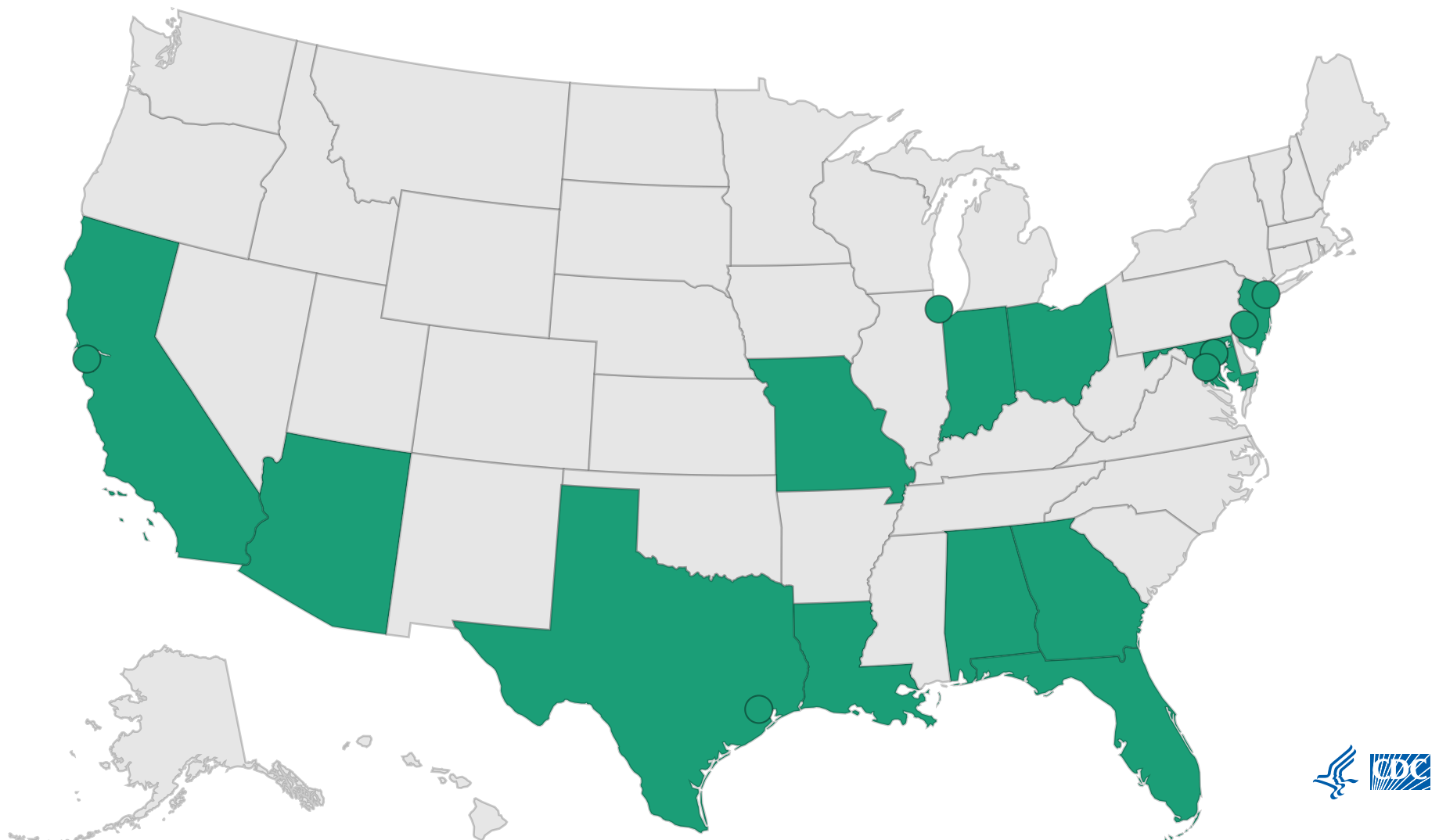
PS19-1901: Strengthening STD Prevention and Control for Health Departments Supplement

With the initial funds, three recipients were awarded a total of \$1.3 million. The award period was September 16, 2019 to December 31, 2019. The three recipients were Baltimore City Health Department (\$500,000), Georgia Department of Public Health (DeKalb County) (\$300,000), and Louisiana Department of Health (East Baton Rouge Parish) (\$500,000).

PS20-2010: Integrated HIV Programs for Health Departments to Support Ending the HIV Epidemic in the United States Component C

Seven recipients were awarded a total of \$3 million for the first year (August 1, 2020 – July 31, 2021). Nineteen recipients were awarded nearly \$12 million for the second year (August 1, 2021 – July 31, 2022), and nearly \$14 million for the third year (August 1, 2022 – July 31, 2023). This cooperative agreement is for five years of funding (August 1, 2020 – July 31, 2025), based on availability of funds.

PS20-2010 Component C Recipient Award Amounts



Recipients

- PS20-2010 Component C

Recipients	PS20-2010 Recipients Year 3 Award Amount
Alabama Department of Public Health / Jefferson County	\$800,000

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Arizona Department of Health Services / Maricopa County	\$800,000
California Department of Public Health / Sacramento, San Diego, and Orange County	\$800,000
Florida Department of Health / Hillsborough County	\$800,000
Georgia Department of Public Health / Fulton County	\$800,000
Indiana State Department of Health / Marion County	\$800,000
Louisiana Department of Health / East Baton Rouge Parish	\$799,983
Maryland Department of Health / Montgomery and Prince George's County	\$800,000
Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services / St Louis County	\$521,490
New Jersey Department of Health / Newark	\$420,000
Ohio Department of Health / Columbus	\$420,000
Texas Department of State Health Services / Dallas County	\$800,000
New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene	\$800,000
Chicago Department of Public Health	\$800,000
Houston Health Department	\$525,000
Baltimore City Health Department	\$800,000
District of Columbia Department of Health	\$800,000
City of Philadelphia Department of Public Health	\$795,581
San Francisco Department of Public Health	\$800,000

PS20-2004: National Network of Sexually Transmitted Diseases Clinical Prevention Training Centers Supplement (Minority HIV/AIDS Fund)

The NNPTC training, technical assistance, and capacity building efforts launched in August 2020. Eight training centers and two national centers have been awarded a total of \$3.9 million per year and are currently in their third year of work.

Recipient	Award Amount
Columbia University (Training Center)	\$370,000
Denver Public Health (Training Center)	\$370,000
Johns Hopkins University (Training Center)	\$370,000
Massachusetts Department of Public Health (Training Center)	\$370,000
University of Alabama (Training Center)	\$370,000
University of California, San Francisco (Training Center)	\$370,000
University of Washington (Training Center)	\$370,000
Washington University, St. Louis (Training Center)	\$370,000
The National STD Prevention Training Centers Coordination Center (NPTC ₃) – Denver Public Health	\$312,500
National STD Curriculum Center – University of Washington	\$625,000

Resources

[Infographic – Reversing the Rise in STIs: Integrating Services to Address the Syndemic of STIs, HIV, Substance Use, and Viral Hepatitis \(April 2023\)](#) 

[Dear Colleague Letter from the Division of STD Prevention: CDC Awards \\$11.1 Million for HIV Prevention Services in STD Clinics](#) 

[Dear Colleague Letter from the Division of HIV Prevention: Advancing the Ending the HIV Epidemic Initiative in the U.S. with a \\$117 Million Investment](#)

[CDC's Ending the HIV Epidemic website](#)

[America's HIV Epidemic Analysis Dashboard \(AHEAD\)](#) 

Funding Opportunity Announcement PS20-2010: Integrated HIV Programs for Health Departments to Support Ending the HIV Epidemic in the United States

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