The Trump Administration’s HIV Initiative: What Will It Take to End the U.S. Epidemic?

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### HIV Viral Suppression Rate in U.S. Lowest Among Comparable High-Income Countries

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**NOTES:** All data are for 2018 except for Canada (2016) and Japan (2015). U.S. estimate based on Bradley et al. “Data-Driven Goals for Curbing the U.S. HIV Epidemic by 2030,” AIDS and Behavior, 2019. All countries defined viral suppression as having a viral load test result of < 200 copies/mL.

National HIV Incidence is no Longer Falling; Epidemic is Concentrated

HIV Incidence, 2010-2016

Among all people with HIV:

- 50% live in 5 states
- 42% are Black/African American
- 45% live in the South
- 62% are MSM

NOTES: (1) Includes those with diagnosed and undiagnosed HIV. (2) Includes MSM/IDU.

Federal Funding for Domestic Discretionary HIV Programs Has Been Relatively Flat for Several Years

Source: Kaiser Family Foundation analysis of data from OMB, CBJs, Congressional Appropriations Bills, and personal communication with agency staff.
Notes: Funding includes both domestic and global HIV accounts; The decrease in 2006 reflects methodological changes at CMS. For additional information about recent budget trends see KFF fact sheet, U.S. Federal Funding for HIV/AIDS: Trends Over Time. https://www.kff.org/global-health-policy/fact-sheet/u-s-federal-funding-for-hivaids-trends-over-time/
FY 2020 Budget Request Would Mark First Significant Increase for Ryan White & CDC in Years

Ryan White Funding, FY1991- FY2020 Budget Request (BR)

Funding in Millions

$257
$656
$1,436
$2,018
$2,138
$2,337
$2,319
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$2,389

3% over FY19 funding

CDC HIV Prevention Funding, FY1981- FY 2020 Budget Request (BR)

Funding in Millions

$6
$136
$378
$498
$617
$732
$732
$750
$787
$789
$929

18% over FY19 funding

SOURCE: Kaiser Family Foundation analysis of data from OMB, budget request, CBJs, Congressional Appropriations Bills.
Demographic & Policy Snapshot of Targeted Jurisdictions

- **Southern Region**: 23 counties, 6 states, DC
  - % Uninsured > National Avg.
  - 31 counties, 3 states
  - % in Poverty > National Avg.
  - 30 counties, 6 states

- **Medicaid Expansion**: 30 Counties, 2 states, DC + San Juan

- **Ryan White Part A**: 47 counties, 2 states, DC + San Juan

- **Community Health Centers**: 48 counties, 7 states, DC + San Juan

- **State Prohibition on Syringe Access**: 7 counties, 6 states

Majority Say HIV/AIDS is a Serious Issue for the U.S. Today; Half Say it is a Serious Concern For People They Know

**How serious of an issue do you think HIV/AIDS is for the U.S. today?**

- Very serious: 34%
- Somewhat serious: 46%
- Not too serious: 13%
- Not at all serious: 4%
- DK/refused: 3%

**How serious of a concern do you think HIV/AIDS is for people you know?**

- Very serious: 24%
- Somewhat serious: 22%
- Not too serious: 25%
- Not at all serious: 24%
- DK/Refused: 4%

**SOURCE:** KFF Health Tracking Poll (conducted March 13-18, 2019). See topline for full question wording and response options.
Most have not heard about the Administration's “Plan to End HIV,” but are Optimistic about its Goals

- **Have Heard (8%)**
  - Share of Americans that have heard of Administration's “Plan to End HIV”
- **Have Not Heard (92%)**

- **Cannot Accomplish (48%)**
  - Share of Americans that believe the goal of reaching zero new infections by 2020 can be reached.
- **Can Accomplish (52%)**
- **Don't Know (2%)**

Significant Gaps Remain in the Public’s Knowledge of HIV Treatment and Prevention

- **Very effective**
- **Somewhat effective**
- **Not too effective**
- **Not at all effective**
- **Don’t know**

**How effective are ARVs at improving the health of people with HIV?**

- 27%
- 45%
- 7%
- 4%
- 17%

**How effective are ARVs at preventing the spread of HIV to sexual partners?**

- 15%
- 37%
- 13%
- 12%
- 22%

**As far as you know, is there a prescription medication that people who are HIV-negative can take to lower their risk of getting HIV?**

- Yes 42%
- No 40%
- Don’t know 18%

Panelists

- **Heather Hauck**, Deputy Associate Administrator, HIV/AIDS Bureau, Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

- **Kendra Johnson**, Director, STD/HIV Office, Mississippi Department of Health

- **Michael Kharfen**, Senior Deputy Director, HIV/AIDS, Hepatitis, STD and TB Administration, District of Columbia Department of Health

- **Jesse Milan, Jr.**, President and CEO, AIDS United

- **Dr. Melanie Thompson**, HIV physician and researcher, Atlanta, GA