# **HIV PREVENTION** in **Texas**

Since the late 1980s, CDC has partnered with state and local health departments to expand the impact and reach of its HIV prevention activities.

CDC awarded **\$47.5M** in FY2024 to health departments, community-based organizations, and other organizations in Texas for HIV prevention and care activities, including **\$9.5M** in *Ending the HIV Epidemic (EHE)* funding.

CDC collects and disseminates data on **6 key** indicators. Current data are available online at <u>AtlasPlus</u>\* and on <u>HHS AHEAD</u><sup>†</sup> for each jurisdiction.

#### 125,100 people are living with HIV in

Texas.

In Texas between 2018 and 2022, overall HIV incidence decreased, preventing an estimated 700 new HIV infections and saving \$387M in lifetime medical costs.

#### DIAGNOSE all people with HIV as early as possible

#### Knowledge of Status (2022)

Across the country,



of people living with HIV were aware of their status, meaning approximately 12.8% were unaware and are not getting the HIV care they need.

#### **Self-Testing**

CDC is providing free HIV self-test kits to populations disproportionately affected by HIV. CDC and partners have sent out over 750.000 tests.

### 83.6%



aware of their status, meaning approximately
16.4% were unaware and are not getting the HIV care they need.

**331,043** HIV tests were provided



### in Texas with CDC funding.

#### How CDC Dollars Are Improving Diagnosis

- Expanding routine screening of people in health care settings, including emergency departments
- Increasing testing in non-clinical settings (e.g., jails, community serving organizations, street-based services)
- Increasing access to and use of HIV self-tests
- Integrating sexually transmitted infections (STI) and viral hepatitis screening into HIV testing services

\* https://www.cdc.gov/nchhstp/about/atlasplus.html

+ https://ahead.hiv.gov/



#### **TREAT** people with HIV rapidly and effectively to reach sustained viral suppression

#### Viral Suppression (2022)



of people across the country, with diagnosed HIV, were virally suppressed.



of Texans, with diagnosed HIV, were virally suppressed.



#### **How CDC Dollars Are Improving Treatment**

- Expanding access to rapid HIV treatment including long-acting injectables
- Linking people with HIV to care within one month to facilitate rapid access to HIV medicine
- Integrating HIV, STI, and hepatitis treatment to provide efficient and cost-effective care

## **PREVENT** new HIV transmissions by using proven interventions, including pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP)

#### **PrEP**



**PrEP is a medicine** that people at risk for HIV take to prevent getting HIV from sex or injection drug use. Texas's CDC-funded HIV testing programs identified **19,665 persons who were eligible** for PrEP in 2022.

#### How CDC Dollars Are Improving Prevention

- **Expanding** access to PrEP through innovations such as long-acting injectable PrEP, Post-Exposure Prophylaxis, and focused provider education
- Implementing a whole-person approach to HIV prevention and care to help overcome barriers

#### **RESPOND** early to potential HIV clusters or outbreaks

Cutting-edge public health approaches turn HIV data into action by **identifying areas with rapid transmission and expanding resources** to maximize prevention and treatment efforts. 404



clusters of HIV infections reported to CDC from 2022 through 2024.

#### How CDC Dollars Are Improving Response

- Addressing gaps in prevention and care contributing to rapid transmission
- Engaging communities and partners to respond to outbreaks