Integrated HIV Prevention and Care Plan Guidance, including the Statewide Coordinated Statement of Need, CY 2022-2026

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Executive Summary
The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) developed this guidance to support the submission of the Integrated HIV Prevention and Care Plan (hereafter referred to as Integrated Plan), including the Statewide Coordinated Statement of Need (SCSN) for calendar year (CY) 2022-2026 (hereafter referred to as Integrated Plan Guidance). This guidance builds upon the previous guidance issued in 2015 when the CDC’s Division of HIV/AIDS Prevention (DHAP) and HRSA’s HIV/AIDS Bureau (HAB) published its first Integrated HIV Prevention and Care Guidance, including the SCSN for CY 2017-2021. This guidance allowed funded health departments and planning groups to submit one integrated HIV plan to lead the implementation of both HIV prevention and care services. As in 2015, the Integrated Plan Guidance for CY 2022-2026 meets all programmatic and legislative requirements associated with both CDC and HRSA funding. It reduces grant recipient burden and duplicative planning efforts and promotes collaboration and coordination around data analysis. The Integrated Plan Guidance necessitates engagement from a wide range of stakeholders including people at risk for HIV and people with HIV. The Integrated Plan Guidance intends to accelerate progress towards meeting national goals while allowing each jurisdiction to design a HIV services delivery system that reflect local vision, values, and needs.

CDC and HRSA funded recipients will notice several key changes in the Integrated Plan Guidance for CY 2022-2026 from the Integrated Plan Guidance for CY 2017-2021. These changes reflect feedback from recipients and people with HIV as well as priorities detailed in the HIV National Strategic Plan published January 2021 and the implementation strategies outlined in the Ending the HIV Epidemic in the U.S. (EHE) initiative. Specifically, recipients who have already conducted extensive planning processes as part of the development of their EHE awards and in conjunction with CDC’s Strategic Partnerships and Planning to Support the Ending the HIV Epidemic in the United States (PS19-1906) program or through other jurisdictional efforts (e.g., Getting to Zero plans, Fast Track Cities, Cluster and Outbreak Detection and Response plans) may submit portions of those plans to satisfy this Integrated Plan Guidance as long as the Integrated Plan submission addresses the broader needs of the geographic jurisdiction and applies to the entire HRSA and CDC HIV funding portfolio. To that end, the Integrated Plan Guidance for CY 2022-2026 includes the CY 2022 – 2026 CDC DHAP and HRSA HAB Integrated Prevention and Care Plan Guidance Checklist (See Appendix 1). This checklist details submission requirements and allows each jurisdiction to determine which elements may require new content and which elements were developed as part of another jurisdictional plan.

Additionally, jurisdictions should submit plans that follow the goals and priorities as described in the HIV National Strategic Plan: A Roadmap to End the Epidemic for the United States, 2021-2025 and in the updated HIV strategy that will be released later this year, and use data to devise strategies that reduce new HIV infections by 90% by 2030. Proposed strategies should include the implementation of activities that will diagnose all people with HIV as early as possible, treat all people with HIV rapidly and effectively to reach sustained viral suppression, prevent new HIV transmissions by using proven
interventions, and respond quickly to potential outbreaks to get needed prevention and treatment services to people who need them.

Section I: Introduction
In the United States, we have the tools to end the HIV epidemic. During 2015–2019, the annual number and rate of diagnoses of HIV infection decreased in both the United States and six dependent areas. Although numbers and rates decreased overall, diagnoses of HIV infection increased in some subgroups and decreased in others. The work of dedicated individuals across HIV prevention and care delivery systems have contributed to the number of HIV diagnoses decreasing nine percent among adults and adolescents between 2015 and 2019\(^1\), and viral suppression rates for clients in the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP) increased from 69.5 percent in 2010 to 88.1 percent in 2019\(^2\). However, health disparities persist among gay, bisexual and other men who have sex with men, particularly Black, Latino, and American Indian/Alaska Native men; Black women; transgender women; youth aged 13-24 years; and people who inject drugs\(^3\). To reach the national goals of reducing new HIV infections by 75 percent by 2025 and by 90 percent by 2030, our systems of HIV prevention and care must work together in unprecedented ways to address health inequities that remain. This includes providing equal access to all available tools so that no population or geographic area is left behind and efforts to end the HIV epidemic are accelerated.

The Integrated Plan Guidance for CY 2022-2026 is the second five-year planning guidance, developed by CDC and HRSA. This Integrated Plan Guidance builds on the first iteration of the Integrated Plan Guidance by allowing each jurisdiction to develop new goals and objectives that align public and private sectors to leverage strengths from the last five years and to add or revise services to address local health inequities that may remain. The Integrated Plan Guidance speaks to the need for aggressive actions necessary to achieve the HIV National Strategic Plan 2025 goals and targeted efforts to end the HIV epidemic by the year 2030.

Specifically, the Integrated Plan Guidance was designed to:

1. Coordinate HIV prevention and care activities by assessing resources and service delivery gaps and needs across HIV prevention and care systems to ensure the allocation of resources based on data;

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2. Address requirements for planning, community engagement and coordination established by the RWHAP legislation as well as programmatic planning and community engagement requirements established by both HRSA and CDC through guidance;

3. Improve health outcomes along the HIV care continuum by using data to prioritize those populations where systems of care are not adequately addressing high HIV morbidity and/or lower than average viral suppression rates;

4. Promote a status neutral approach\(^4\), where testing serves as an entry point to services regardless of a positive or negative result, to improve HIV prevention and care outcomes;

5. Reduce recipient burden by allowing recipients to submit portions of other significant planning documents (e.g., EHE Plans, Fast Track Cities, Getting to Zero, or Cluster and Outbreak Detection and Response plans) to meet Integrated Plan requirements and by aligning submission requirements and dates across HIV prevention and care funding; and,

6. Advance health equity and racial justice by ensuring that government programs promote equitable delivery of services and engage people with lived experience in service delivery system design and implementation.

**Relationship to other National Plans and Initiatives**

HRSA and CDC recognize that many jurisdictions have established and implemented extended planning processes as part of other local initiatives including but not limited to EHE funding, Fast Track Cities, locally funded Getting to Zero initiatives, or Cluster and Outbreak Detection and Response Plans. To minimize burden and align planning processes, the jurisdiction may submit portions of these plans to satisfy the Integrated Plan Guidance requirements. It is important to note that all submitted plans must address the national HIV goal of reducing the number of new HIV infections in the United States by 75 percent by 2025, and then by at least 90 percent by 2030. Jurisdictions should review the *HIV National Strategic Plan: A Roadmap to End the Epidemic for the United States, 2021-2025* or subsequent updates to the current national plan by visiting [www.hiv.gov](https://www.hiv.gov) and subscribing to receive updates.

**National Framework for Ending the HIV Epidemic**

It is important to think about this Integrated Plan Guidance within the framework of national objectives and strategic plans that detail the principles, priorities, and actions that direct the national public health response and provide a blueprint for collective action across the federal government and other sectors (see Appendix 5). HRSA and CDC

\(^4\) A status-neutral approach to HIV care means that all people, regardless of HIV status, are treated in the same way. Source: Julie E Myers, Sarah L Braunstein, Qiang Xia, Kathleen Scanlin, Zoe Edelstein, Graham Harriman, Benjamin Tsoi, Adriana Andaluz, Estella Yu, Demetre Daskalakis, Redefining Prevention and Care: A Status-Neutral Approach to HIV, Open Forum Infectious Diseases, Volume 5, Issue 6, June 2018, ofy097, [https://doi.org/10.1093/ofid/ofy097](https://doi.org/10.1093/ofid/ofy097)
support the implementation of these strategies.

In January 2021, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) released the *HIV National Strategic Plan: A Roadmap to End the Epidemic 2021–2025* which creates a collective vision for HIV service delivery across the nation. Each jurisdiction should create Integrated Plans that address four goals:

- Prevent new HIV infections
- Improve HIV-related health outcomes for people with HIV
- Reduce HIV-related disparities and health inequities
- Achieve integrated, coordinated efforts that address the HIV Epidemic among all partners and stakeholders

To achieve these goals, the HIV National Strategic Plan identifies key priority populations, focus areas, and strategies. All plans submitted in response to the Integrated Plan Guidance should incorporate the national goals and strategies detailed in the HIV National Strategic Plan. This should include activities that:

- Leverage public and private community resources toward meeting the goals;
- Address health inequities for priority populations including inequities related to the syndemics of HIV, sexually transmitted infections (STIs), viral hepatitis, and behavioral health issues including but not limited to substance use disorders;
- Create strategic partnerships across a broad spectrum of service systems as a means to lessen the impact of social and structural determinants of health such as systemic racism, poverty, unstable housing and homelessness, stigma, and/or under- or un-employment;
- Implement innovative program models that integrate HIV prevention and care with other services and other service organizations as a means to address comorbid conditions and to promote a status neutral approach to care; and,
- Coordinates HIV prevention and care systems around key focus areas to strengthen the local response.


In 2019, HHS announced the EHE initiative in the United States coordinated around four strategies – diagnose, treat, prevent, and respond – that leverage highly successful programs, resources, and infrastructure. The EHE initiative aligns with the HIV National Strategic plan goal of 90 percent reduction in new HIV diagnoses in the United States by 2030, decreasing the number of new HIV infections to fewer than 3,000 per year. The EHE initiative focuses resources, expertise and technology in jurisdictions hardest hit by the HIV epidemic. For more information on the EHE initiative, visit: [https://www.hiv.gov/federal-response/ending-the-hiv-epidemic/overview](https://www.hiv.gov/federal-response/ending-the-hiv-epidemic/overview).

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The Integrated Plan Guidance utilizes the HIV care continuum model and the status neutral approach. The HIV care continuum depicts the stages a person with HIV engages in from initial diagnosis through their successful treatment with HIV medication to reach viral suppression. Supporting people with HIV to reach viral suppression not only increases their own quality of life and lifespan, it also prevents sexual transmission to an HIV-negative partner, thus providing an additional strategy to prevent new HIV infections. Strategies to address racism and discrimination that threatens HIV public health goals within HIV prevention care, and treatment systems are needed to increase the number of people with HIV that reach and maintain viral suppression.

The adoption of a status neutral approach can improve HIV prevention and care service delivery and outcomes. Persons with positive test results should be linked to HIV care, treatment, and other social support services; and, persons testing negative should be linked, as needed, to biomedical HIV prevention services, such as PrEP, and other social support services.

The HIV care continuum allow recipients and planning groups to measure progress and to direct HIV resources most effectively. HRSA and CDC encourage jurisdictions to use the HIV care continuum to identify populations for whom the service system may not adequately prevent exposure to HIV or may not support improved HIV health outcomes. Additionally, all jurisdictions should include performance measures in their Integrated Plan submission including the core performance measures that measure progress along the HIV care continuum for all priority groups. Please see Appendix 4 for links to suggested CDC and HRSA data sources, performance measures, and indicators.

Section II: Planning Requirements and Submission Guidelines
HIV Planning Requirements
All CDC DHAP and HRSA HAB funded jurisdictions (the 50 states, RWHAP Part A-funded Eligible Metropolitan Areas and Transitional Grant Areas, directly-funded CDC HIV prevention cities, Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands, and the United States Affiliated Pacific Island jurisdictions) are required to have a planning process that includes the development of a system-wide plan for the delivery of HIV prevention and care services and the establishment of an HIV planning group, planning council, or advisory group, also known as a planning body. By design, the HIV planning body must engage people with different interests, responsibilities, and involvement with HIV to inform and support the development and implementation of an Integrated Plan submission that guides the delivery of HIV prevention and care services.

For the development of the Integrated Plan, jurisdictions should include and use their existing local prevention and care HIV planning bodies, as consistent with CDC and HRSA planning group requirements, and engage traditional stakeholders and community members (e.g., AIDS Education and Training Centers (AETCs), state Medicaid agencies, STI/sexually transmitted disease (STD) clinics and local education agencies (LEAs)) to get input. In addition, recipients should broaden their existing group of partners and stakeholders to include other federal, state, and local HIV programs, local organizations, and community groups not previously engaged for
the purposes of improving data sources, leveraging services, and assisting with key portions of the plan, such as the HIV prevention and care inventories.

When developing the Integrated Plan submission, the planning body should collaborate with the recipient to analyze data for program action and decisions, prioritize resources to those jurisdictions at highest risk for HIV transmission and acquisition, and address health equity by improving both individual and population based HIV health outcomes in those jurisdictions. Through strategic collaborations among stakeholders, HIV planning is based on the belief that local planning is the best way to respond to local HIV prevention and care service delivery needs and priorities. Please refer to CDC’s most recent HIV Planning Guidance (HPG) and the RWHAP Part A and Part B Manual for more details about HIV planning processes.

Integrated Plan Development
Integrated planning is a vehicle for jurisdictions to identify HIV prevention and care needs, existing resources, barriers, and gaps and outline local strategies to address them. The Integrated Plan submission should articulate existing and needed collaborations among people with HIV, service providers, funded program implementers, and other stakeholders, including but not limited to other programs funded by the federal government, such as the Housing Opportunity for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) program and providers from other service systems such as substance use prevention and treatment providers. The Integrated Plan submission should reflect current approaches and use the most recent data available. To ensure coordinated implementation of their Integrated Plan submission, each jurisdiction should include information on the persons or agencies responsible for developing the plan, implementing the plan, coordinating activities and funding streams, and monitoring the plan.

To submit the Integrated Plan, jurisdictions must provide a signed letter from the planning body(ies) documenting concurrence, non-concurrence, or concurrence with reservations with the Integrated Plan submission. As part of the Integrated Plan submission, jurisdictions will need to outline the communities and stakeholders represented in the planning and concurrence process (e.g., community members, people with HIV, providers, governmental entities). Please see Appendix 6 for a sample letter of concurrence.

The Integrated Plan submission should include all funding sources, service delivery, and system integration (entire system of HIV prevention and care). It should include the following sections:

1. Executive Summary
2. Community Engagement and description of Jurisdictional Planning Process
3. Contributing Data Sets and Assessments, including:
   a. Epidemiologic Snapshot
   b. HIV Prevention, Care and Treatment Resource Inventory
   c. Needs Assessment
4. Situational Analysis Overview, including priority populations/groups
5. CY 2022-2026 Goals and Objectives to be organized by the goals in the HIV National Strategic Plan and inclusive of the strategies: Diagnose, Treat, Prevent, and Respond. See Appendix 2 for examples.
In addition to these sections, please use the checklist attached, as Appendix 1, to ensure the jurisdiction submits all of the documents needed to meet submission requirements, including existing materials and newly developed materials needed for each required section.

Submission
While there is not a standard template for the Integrated Plan submission, the plan submitted must include all the components outlined in this guidance and include a completed CY2022–2026 CDC DHAP and HRSA HAB Integrated Prevention and Care Plan Guidance Checklist. Plans must be broad enough to ensure that all HIV prevention and care funding work together to reduce new HIV infections by 90% by 2030. The new written plan should not redevelop existing products such as epidemiologic profiles, if these products are current and up-to-date. Existing versions of these documents may be updated or modified if needed for the current integrated planning process.

Each HRSA and CDC-funded jurisdiction needs to participate in the completion and submission of an Integrated Plan.

- The Integrated Plan should include information on who is responsible for developing the Integrated Plan within the jurisdiction (i.e., RWHAP Part A planning councils/body(ies), RWHAP Part B advisory groups, and CDC HIV planning bodies).

- The Integrated Plan should define and provide the goal(s), which allows the jurisdiction to articulate its approach for how it will address HIV prevention, care, and treatment needs in its service areas and accomplish the goals of the HIV National Strategic Plan.

All funded jurisdictions (funded by both CDC DHAP and HRSA HAB) must submit an Integrated Plan responsive to this guidance. State and/or local jurisdictions (municipalities) have the option to submit to CDC and HRSA:

1. Integrated state/city prevention and care plan,
2. Integrated state-only prevention and care plan, and/or
3. Integrated city-only prevention and care plan.

NOTE: All submissions should integrate prevention and care as a mechanism to better coordinate a response to HIV among all partners and stakeholders.6 Per legislative and programmatic requirements, regardless of the option used, CDC and HRSA expect coordination among funded entities and community stakeholders in the development of Integrated Plan and its submission.

The Integrated Plan submission may include several jurisdictions (e.g., the state, the RWHAP Part A jurisdiction(s) in that state, CDC directly funded cities in that state), but each HRSA and CDC-funded jurisdiction needs to participate in the completion and submission of the Integrated

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Plan. For jurisdictions submitting city-only or state-only Integrated Plans, the city Integrated Plan should complement the state Integrated Plan, including the SCSN. Additionally, both the city-only and state-only Integrated Plans should describe how the jurisdictions will coordinate actions to prevent duplication and should depict and address the HIV epidemic within its jurisdiction.

The jurisdiction’s Integrated Plan submission is due to CDC DHAP and HRSA HAB no later than 11:59 PM ET on December 9, 2022. Submissions should be no longer than 100 pages not including the completed checklist and no smaller than 11pt font. The submission package must contain a completed Integrated Plan that includes the sections detailed above; a CY 2022 – 2026 CDC DHAP and HRSA HAB Integrated Prevention and Care Plan Guidance Checklist detailing where CDC and HRSA may find each of the required elements; and a signed letter from the HIV planning group/body indicating concurrence, concurrence with reservations, or non-concurrence with the plan. Further details on how to submit your jurisdiction’s Integrated Plan are forthcoming.

**Monitoring**

The Integrated Plan provides an overarching vehicle to coordinate approaches for addressing HIV at the state and local levels. Monitoring the Integrated Plan will assist recipients and planning bodies with identifying ways to measure progress toward goals and objectives, selecting strategies for collecting information, and analyzing information to inform decision-making and improve HIV prevention, care, and treatment efforts within the jurisdiction.

Jurisdictions must identify how they will provide regular updates to the planning bodies and stakeholders on the progress of plan implementation, solicit feedback, and use the feedback from stakeholders for plan improvements. Each jurisdiction also will need to use surveillance and program data to assess and improve health outcomes, health equity, and the quality of the HIV service delivery systems, including strategic long-range planning.

The Integrated Plan is a “living document” and must be reviewed and updated at least annually or as needed. The process for annual review should include the identification of relevant data and data systems, analysis of data on performance measures, the inclusion of planning bodies in the ongoing evaluation of activities and strategies, a mechanism to revise goals and objectives as needed based on data, and an evaluation of the planning process.

To ensure progress on Integrated Plan activities and the Integrated Plan’s alignment with funding strategies, CDC and HRSA will engage in monitoring activities both independently and jointly. Recipients will use established reporting requirements (i.e., applications, annual progress reports) to document progress on achieving the objectives presented in the Integrated Plan. These reporting updates should include the jurisdiction’s plan to monitor and evaluate implementation of the goals, strategies, and objectives included in the Integrated Plan. Additionally, CDC and HRSA project officers will continue to monitor progress during regularly scheduled calls and will conduct periodic joint monitoring calls with recipients.
CDC DHAP and HRSA HAB remain committed to our ongoing partnership and the provision of technical assistance (TA) services. For TA services around integrated planning, please contact your respective project officers.
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| **Section II: Community Engagement and Planning Process** | **Purpose:** To describe how the jurisdiction approached the planning process, engaged community members and stakeholders, and fulfilled legislative and programmatic requirements including:  
1. SCSN  
2. RWHAP Part A and B planning requirements including those requiring feedback from key stakeholders and people with HIV  
3. CDC planning requirements  
**Tips for meeting this requirement**  
2. This requirement may include submission of portions of other submitted plans including the EHE plan submitted as a deliverable for PS19-1906.  
3. Be sure to provide adequate detail to confirm compliance with legislative and programmatic planning requirements. | | |
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| g. Updates to Other Strategic Plans Used to Meet Requirements | If the jurisdiction is using portions of another local strategic plan to satisfy this requirement, please describe:  
1. How the jurisdiction uses annual needs assessment data to adjust priorities.  
2. How the jurisdiction incorporates the ongoing feedback of people with HIV and stakeholders.  
3. Any changes to the plan as a result of updates assessments and community input.  
4. Any changes made to the planning process as a result of evaluating the planning process. |                                                                                                                 |                                        |
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1. SCSN  
2. RWHAP Part A and B planning requirements including those requiring feedback from key stakeholders and people with HIV  
3. CDC planning requirements | | |
| Tips for meeting this requirement | 1. This requirement may include submission of portions of other submitted plans including the EHE plan submitted as a deliverable for PS19-1906. *Please ensure that if using a previously developed plan that the data included describes the entire jurisdiction and not just a subsection of the jurisdiction such as an EHE priority county.*  
2. Be sure to provide adequate detail to confirm compliance with legislative and programmatic planning requirements.  
3. Include both narrative and graphic depictions of the HIV-related health disparities in the area including information about HIV outbreaks and clusters. | | |
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| 3. HIV Prevention, Care and Treatment Resource Inventory                    | Create an HIV Prevention, Care and Treatment Resource Inventory. The Inventory may include a table and/or narrative but must address all of the following information in order to be responsive:  
  - Organizations and agencies providing HIV care and prevention services in the jurisdiction.  
  - HRSA (must include all RWHAP parts) and CDC funding sources.  
  - Leveraged public and private funding sources, such as those through HRSA’s Community Health Center Program, HUD’s HOPWA program, Indian Health Service (IHS) HIV/AIDS Program, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration programs, and foundation funding.  
  - Describe the jurisdiction’s strategy for coordinating the provision of substance use prevention and treatment services (including programs that provide these services) with HIV prevention and care services.  
  - Services and activities provided by these organizations in the jurisdiction and if applicable, which priority population the agency serves.  
  - Describe how services will maximize the quality of health and support services available to people at-risk for or with HIV. |                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                        |
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<td>b. Approaches and partnerships</td>
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<td><strong>b. Actions Taken</strong></td>
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<td><strong>c. Approach</strong></td>
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**Section IV: Situational Analysis**

**Purpose:** To provide an overview of strengths, challenges, and identified needs with respect to several key aspects of HIV prevention and care activities. This snapshot should synthesize information from the Community Engagement and Planning Process in Section II and the Contributing Data sets and Assessments detailed in Section III.

**Tips**

1. New or existing material may be used; however, existing material will need to be updated if used.
2. This section not only provides a snapshot of the data and environment for goal-setting but meets the RWHAP legislative requirement for the SCSN.
3. Jurisdictions may submit the Situational Analysis submitted as part of their EHE Plan to fulfill this requirement. However, it must include information for the entire HIV prevention and care system and not just the EHE priority area or service system. If using EHE plans to fulfill this
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<td>1. Situational Analysis</td>
<td>Based on the Community Engagement and Planning Process in Section II and the Contributing Data Sets and Assessments detailed in Section III, provide a short overview of strengths, challenges, and identified needs with respect to HIV prevention and care. Include any analysis of structural and systemic issues impacting populations disproportionately affected by HIV and resulting in health disparities. The content of the analysis should lay the groundwork for proposed strategies submitted in the Integrated Plan’s goals and objective sections. The situational analysis should include an analysis in each of the following areas:</td>
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<td>c. <strong>Prevent</strong> new HIV transmissions by using proven interventions, including pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) and syringe services programs (SSPs)</td>
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<td><strong>Please note jurisdictions may submit other plans to satisfy this requirement, if applicable to the entire HIV prevention and care service system across the jurisdiction.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>a. Priority Populations</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Section V: 2022-2026 Goals and Objectives</strong></td>
<td><strong>Purpose:</strong> To detail goals and objectives for the next 5 years. Goals and objectives should reflect strategies that ensure a unified, coordinated approach for all HIV prevention and care funding.</td>
<td>2. <em>Recipients may submit plans (e.g., EHE, Getting to Zero, Cluster and Outbreak Detection and Response plan) for this requirement as long as it sets goals for the entire HIV prevention and care delivery system and geographic area.</em> 3. Goals and objectives should be in SMART format and structured to include strategies that accomplish the following:  a. <em>Diagnose</em> all people with HIV as early as possible  b. <em>Treat</em> people with HIV rapidly and effectively to reach sustained viral suppression  c. <em>Prevent</em> new HIV transmissions by using proven interventions, including pre-exposure</td>
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<td><strong>prophylaxis (PrEP), post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP) and syringe services programs (SSPs)</strong></td>
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| **1. Goals and Objectives Description** | List and describe goals and objectives for how the jurisdiction will diagnose, treat, prevent and respond to HIV. Be sure the goals address any barriers or needs identified during the planning process. There should be at least 3 goals and objectives for each of these four areas. See *Appendix 2* for suggested format for Goals and Objectives.  

*Please note jurisdictions may submit other plans to satisfy this requirement as long as they include goals that cover the entire HIV prevention and care service delivery system and geographic area.* | | |
| **a. Updates to Other Strategic Plans Used to Meet Requirements** | If the jurisdiction is using portions of another local strategic plan to satisfy this requirement, please describe any changes made as a result of analysis of data. | | |
Section VI:
2022-2026 Integrated Planning Implementation, Monitoring and Jurisdictional Follow Up

Purpose: To describe the infrastructure, procedures, systems, and/or tools that will be used to support the key phases of integrated planning. In this section jurisdictions will detail how best to ensure the success of Integrated Plan goals and objectives through the following 5 key phases:

1. Implementation
2. Monitoring
3. Evaluation
4. Improvement
5. Reporting and Dissemination

Tips for meeting this requirement

1. This requirement may require the recipient to create some new material or expand upon existing materials.
2. Include sufficient descriptive detail for each of the 5 key phases to ensure that all entities understand their roles and responsibilities, and concur with the process.
3. If you are submitting portions of a different jurisdictional plan to meet this requirement, you should include updates that describe steps the jurisdiction has taken to accomplish each of the 5 phases.

1. 2022-2026 Integrated Planning Implementation Approach

1. Describe the infrastructure, procedures, systems or tools that will be used to support the 5 key phases of integrated planning to ensure goals and objectives are met.
<p>| a. Implementation | 2. Describe the process for coordinating partners, including new partners, people with HIV, people at high risk for exposure to HIV, and providers and administrators from different funding streams, to meet the jurisdiction's Integrated Plan goals and objectives. Include information about how the plan will influence the way the jurisdiction leverages and coordinates funding streams including but not limited to HAB and CDC funding. |
| b. Monitoring | 3. Describe the process to be used for monitoring progress on the Integrated Plan goals and objectives. This should include information about how the jurisdiction will coordinate different stakeholders and different funding streams to implement plan goals. If multiple plans exist in the state (e.g., city-only Integrated Plans, state-only Integrated Plans), include information about how the jurisdiction will collaborate and coordinate monitoring of the different plans within the state to avoid duplication of effort and potential gaps in service provision. Be sure to include details such as specific coordination activities and timelines for coordination. <em>Note: Recipients will be asked to provide updates to both CDC and HRSA as part of routine monitoring of all awards.</em> |
| c. Evaluation | 4. Describe the performance measures and methodology the jurisdiction will use to evaluate progress on goals and objectives. Include information about how often the jurisdiction conducts analysis of the performance measures and presents data to the planning group. |</p>
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<td><strong>d. Improvement</strong></td>
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<td><strong>e. Reporting and Dissemination</strong></td>
<td>6. Describe the process for informing stakeholders, including people with HIV, about progress on implementation, monitoring, evaluation and improvements made to the plan.</td>
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| **f. Updates to Other Strategic Plans Used to Meet Requirements** | If the jurisdiction is using portions of another local strategic plan to satisfy this requirement, please describe:  
1. Steps the jurisdiction has already taken to implement, monitor, evaluate, improve, and report/disseminate plan activities.  
2. Achievements and challenges in implementing the plan. Include how the jurisdiction plans to resolve challenges and replicate successes.  
3. Revisions made based on work completed. |   |
<p>| <strong>Section VII: Letters of Concurrence</strong> | Provide letters of concurrence or concurrence with reservation. Each letter should specify how the planning body was involved in the Integrated Plan development. Include a letter of concurrence for each planning body in the state/territory or jurisdiction. See <em>Appendix 6</em> for a sample Letter of Concurrence. |   |
| 1. CDC Prevention Program Planning Body Chair(s) or Representative(s) |   |   |
| 2. RWHAP Part A Planning Council/Planning Body(s) Chair(s) or Representative(s) |   |   |</p>
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Appendix 2

Examples of Goal Structure

Note: There is not a required format for submission of Integrated HIV Prevention and Care goals. This format is provided as an example.

Diagnose (EXAMPLE)

Goal 1: To diagnose XX people with HIV in 5 years.

Key Activities and Strategies:
1) Increase routine testing in XX ERs, acute care settings, etc.
2) Increase public awareness campaigns focused on getting tested and treated in XX neighborhoods/venues to reach demographic XX

Key Partners: Health departments, community-based organizations, FQHCs, correctional facilities, school-based clinics, sexual health clinics, women’s health services/prenatal services providers, hospitals, etc.

Potential Funding Resources: CDC HIV Prevention and Surveillance Programs, RWHAP, Bureau of Primary Health Care (Health Centers), State and/or Local Funding, Medicaid, etc.

Estimated Funding Allocation: $X

Outcomes (reported annually, locally monitored more frequently): # of newly identified persons with HIV

Monitoring Data Source: EMR data, surveillance data

Expected Impact on the HIV Care Continuum: Increase the number of people who know their HIV diagnosis by XX% and linked to medical care within 90 days by XX%

Treat (EXAMPLE)

Goal 1: To engage XX people with HIV in ongoing HIV care and treatment in 5 years.

Key Activities and Strategies:
1) Increase linkage to care activities in XX populations
2) Increase public awareness campaigns focused on getting tested and treated in XX neighborhoods/venues to reach demographic XX

Key Partners: FQHCs, medical care providers, hospitals, community-based organizations, school-based clinics, various professional health care associations, etc.

Potential Funding Resources: RWHAP, State Local Funding, SAMHSA, HOPWA, Medicaid expenditures, Bureau of Primary Health Care (Health Centers), Administration for Children and Families, and other public and private funding sources

Estimated Funding Allocation: $X

Outcomes (reported annually, locally monitored more frequently): Linkage to HIV care within 30 days of less for # of newly identified persons with HIV; Linkage to HIV care within 30 days or less for # of persons with HIV identified as not in care
**Monitoring Data Source:** Surveillance, RWHAP, CDC testing linkage data

**Expected Impact on the HIV Care Continuum:** Increase the number of people receiving ART by XX% and improve viral suppression rates in targeted populations by XX%

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**Prevent (EXAMPLE)**

**Goal 1:** To increase access to PrEP by X% for priority populations in 5 years.

**Key Activities and Strategies:**
1) Increase number of providers trained to prescribe PrEP
2) Increase PrEP prescriptions among priority populations

**Key Partners:** Community-based organizations, FQHCs, sexual health clinics, hospitals, social media platform providers, social service providers, etc.

**Potential Funding Resources:** CDC HIV Prevention and Surveillance Programs, Bureau of Primary Health Care (Health Centers), State and/or Local Funding, Minority AIDS Initiative (MAI), SAMHSA, HOPWA, Federal Office of Rural Health Policy, Indian Health Service; Office on Women’s Health, Office of Minority Health, Office of Population Affairs, and other public and private funding sources, etc.

**Estimated Funding Allocation:** $X

**Outcomes (reported annually, locally monitored more frequently):** # of providers trained; # of prescriptions for PrEP

**Monitoring Data Source:** Local databases, medical records data, pharmacy records

**Expected Impact on Status Neutral Approach:** Increase by XX number the people prescribed PrEP, Increase by XX number the people linked to PrEP services, Increase by XX% in the number of syringe services programs available

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**Respond (EXAMPLE)**

**Goal:** To increase capacity and implementation of activities for detecting and responding to HIV clusters and outbreaks in 5 years.

**Key Activities and Strategies:**
1) Increase involvement of health department staff, community members, and community organizations in response planning, implementation, and evaluation
2) Increase flexible funding mechanisms capable of supporting HIV cluster response efforts

**Key Partners:** Community members, community-based organizations, HIV care providers, FQHCs, correctional facilities, hospitals, social services providers, people with HIV, health departments, public health professionals, etc.
**Potential Funding Resources:** CDC HIV Prevention and Surveillance Programs, STD Funding, RWHAP, SAMHSA, HUD/HOPWA, Medicaid, Bureau of Primary Health Care (Health Centers), viral hepatitis funding, opioid/substance use funding, State and/or Local Funding

**Estimated Funding Allocation:** $X

**Outcomes (reported annually, locally monitored more frequently):** Establishment of strengthened cluster and outbreak detection and response plans; protocols for flexible funding mechanisms; number of clusters detected; number and description of cluster responses and lessons learned; incorporation of strategies from Diagnose, Treat, and Prevent pillars into responses to clusters.

**Monitoring Data Source:** Local protocols and reports

**Expected Impact on Status Neutral Approach:** Increase the number of people in networks affected by rapid transmission who know their HIV diagnosis, are linked to medical care, and are virally suppressed, or who are engaged in appropriate prevention services (e.g., PrEP, syringe services programs).
Appendix 3

Examples of Key Stakeholders and Community Members

Community engagement is a key expectation of the Integrated Planning Guidance. Community engagement involves the collaboration of key stakeholders and broad-based communities who work together to identify strategies to increase coordination of HIV programs throughout the state, local health jurisdictions, or tribal areas. Each community should select stakeholders including persons with HIV who reflect the local demographics of the epidemic with lived experience and can best help align resources and set goals that promote equitable HIV prevention and health outcomes for priority populations. This should include not only traditional stakeholders but engagement with new partners and non-traditional organizations. While the Integrated Plan submission should be done in collaboration with identified Integrated Planning body(s), community engagement may also include assessment processes (e.g., focus groups, population-specific advisory boards) that take place outside of or in conjunction with the Integrated HIV Care and Prevention body(s) and to inform the Integrated Plan submission.

Please Note: Persons or groups with a “*” must be included in the planning process to meet HRSA and/or CDC’s legislative or programmatic requirements.

Key Stakeholders to Consider for Planning Group Membership

- Health department staff*
- Community-based organizations serving populations affected by HIV as well as HIV services providers*
- People with HIV, including members of a Federally recognized Indian tribe as represented in the population, and individuals co-infected with hepatitis B or C*
- Populations at risk or with HIV representing priority populations
- Behavioral or social scientists
- Epidemiologists
- HIV clinical care providers including (RWHAP Part C and D)*
- STD clinics and programs
- Non-elected community leaders including faith community members and business/labor representatives*
- Community health care center representatives including FQHCs*
- Substance use treatment providers*
- Hospital planning agencies and health care planning agencies*
- Intervention specialists
- Jurisdictions with CDC-funded local education agencies/academic institutions (strongly encouraged to participate).
- Mental health providers*
- Individuals (or representatives) with an HIV diagnosis during a period of incarceration (within the last three years) at a federal, state, or local correctional facility*
- Representatives from state or local law enforcement and/or correctional facilities
- Social services providers including housing and homeless services representatives*
• Local, regional, and school-based clinics; healthcare facilities; clinicians; and other medical providers
• Medicaid/Medicare partners

**Examples of Key Stakeholders to Consider for Community Engagement**
• Existing community advisory boards
• Community members resulting from new outreach efforts
• Community members that represent the demographics of the local epidemic (e.g., race, ethnicity, gender, age, etc.)
• Community members unaligned or unaffiliated with agencies currently funded through HRSA and/or CDC
• STD clinics and programs
• Other key informants
• City, county, tribal, and other state public health department partners
• Local, regional clinics, and school-based healthcare facilities; clinicians; and other medical providers
• Medicaid/Medicare partners and private payors
• Correctional facilities, juvenile justice, local law enforcement and related service providers
• Community- and faith-based organizations, including civic and social groups
• Professional associations
• Local businesses
• Local academic institutions
• Other key informants

**Examples of Community Engagement Activities**
• Focus groups or interviews
• Town hall meetings
• Topic-focused community discussions
• Community advisory group or ad hoc committees or panels
• Collaboration building meetings with new partners
• Public planning body(s) meetings or increased membership
• Meetings between state and local health departments
• Social media events
Appendix 4

Suggested Data Sources

Suggested Data Sources:

- Behavioral surveillance data, including databases such as National HIV Behavioral Surveillance System (NHBS), Youth Risk Behavioral Surveillance System (YRBSS), Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) (e.g., patterns of, or deterrents to, HIV testing, substance use and needle sharing, sexual behavior, including unprotected sex, sexual orientation and gender identity, healthcare-seeking behavior, trauma or intimate partner violence, and adherence to prescribed antiretroviral therapies)
- HIV surveillance data, including clinical data (e.g., CD4 and viral load results) and HIV cluster detection and response data. HIV Surveillance Report, Supplemental Reports, and Data Tables: https://www.cdc.gov/hiv/library/reports/hiv-surveillance.html
- STI surveillance data
- HIV testing program data (e.g., data from Early Identification of Individuals with HIV/AIDS for RWHAP Parts A and B Grantees; CDC HIV testing data)
- AHEAD: America’s HIV Epidemic Analysis Dashboard: https://ahead.hiv.gov/
- HOPWA EHE Planning Tool: https://ahead.hiv.gov/resources
- Other relevant demographic data (i.e., Hepatitis B or C surveillance, tuberculosis surveillance, and substance use data)
- Qualitative data (e.g., observations, interviews, discussion groups, focus groups, and analysis of social networks)
- Vital statistics data (e.g., state office of vital statistics, National Death Index, Social Security Death Master File)
- Other Federal Data Sources (e.g., Medicaid Data, HOPWA Data, VA Data)
- Local Data Sources (e.g., Department of Corrections, Behavioral Health services data including information on substance use and mental health services)
- Other Relevant Program Data: (e.g. Community Health Center program data).


References for CDC DHAP and HRSA HAB Performance Measures:

- Core Indicators for Monitoring the Ending the HIV Epidemic: https://ahead.hiv.gov/
Appendix 5

Federal Strategic Plans and Resources

**Federal Strategic Planning Documents**

- **Healthy People 2030**: Sets data-driven national objectives to improve health and well-being over the next decade.

- **HIV National Strategic Plan: A Roadmap to End the HIV Epidemic (2021–2025)**: Roadmap for ending the HIV epidemic in the United States, with a 10-year goal of reducing new HIV infections by 90% by 2030.

- **Sexually Transmitted Infections National Strategic Plan for the United States (2021–2025)**: Groundbreaking, first ever five-year plan that aims to reverse the recent dramatic rise in STIs in the United States.

- **Viral Hepatitis National Strategic Plan: A Roadmap to Elimination 2021-2025**: Provides a framework to eliminate viral hepatitis as a public health threat in the United States by 2030.

- **HHS Ending the HIV Epidemic (EHE): A Plan for America Initiative**: EHE aims to reduce the number of new HIV infections in the United States by at least 90% to fewer than 3,000 per year.

**Federal HIV Funding Resources**

This non-exhaustive list provides web sites to assist with identifying federal HIV funding resources in U.S. jurisdictions.

**General**

- USA Spending
- Federal HIV Budget

**Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)**

- HRSA HIV/AIDS Programs – Grantee Allocations & Expenditures
- HRSA Bureau of Primary Health Care Health Center Recipients Locator
- HRSA Federal Office of Rural Health Policy, Rural Assistance Center, Rural HIV and AIDS Funding & Opportunities

**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)**

- CDC Division of HIV/AIDS Prevention (DHAP) Funding and Budget
- Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) PS19-1906: Strategic Partnerships and Planning to Support Ending the HIV Epidemic in the United States Component B: Accelerating State and Local HIV Planning to End the HIV Epidemic
- Ending the Epidemic (EHE): Scaling Up HIV Prevention Services in STD Specialty Clinics
- CDC DIS Workforce Development Funding
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)
- HUD Community Planning and Development Program Listing
- HUD Community Planning and Development – Cross-Program Funding Matrix and Dashboard Reports

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)
- SAMHSA's Substance Abuse and HIV Prevention Navigator Program for Racial/Ethnic Minorities
- SAMHSA Grant Awards by State
- SAMHSA’s Prevention and Treatment of HIV Among People Living with Substance Use and/or Mental Disorders

HHS, Office on Minority Health (OMH)
- HHS Office of Minority Health Active Grant Award Locator

National Institutes of Health
- Centers for AIDS Research (CFAR) program

CDC/HRSA Project Officer
Appendix 6

Sample Letter of Concurrence or Concurrence with Reservations between Planning Body and State or Local Health Department or Funded Agency

Dear (Name):

The [insert name of Planning Body, e.g. planning council, advisory council, HIV planning group, planning body] [insert concurs or concurs with reservations] with the following submission by the [insert name of State/Local Health Department/ Funded Agency] in response to the guidance set forth for health departments and HIV planning groups funded by the CDC’s Division of HIV/AIDS Prevention (DHAP) and HRSA’s HIV/AIDS Bureau (HAB) for the development of an Integrated HIV Prevention and Care Plan, including the Statewide Coordinated Statement of Need (SCSN) for calendar year (CY) 2022-2026.

The planning body (e.g. planning council, advisory council, HIV planning group, planning body) has reviewed the Integrated HIV Prevention and Care Plan submission to the CDC and HRSA to verify that it describes how programmatic activities and resources are being allocated to the most disproportionately affected populations and geographical areas with high rates of HIV. The planning body [insert concurs or concurs with reservations] that the Integrated HIV Prevention and Care Plan submission fulfills the requirements put forth by the CDC’s Notice of Funding Opportunity for Integrated HIV Surveillance and Prevention Programs for Health Departments and the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program legislation and program guidance.

[Insert the process used by the planning body to provide input or review the jurisdiction’s plan.]

[If applicable, insert how jurisdictions with directly funded states and cities plan to coordinate their HIV Planning process.]

The signature(s) below confirms the [insert concurrence or concurrence with reservations] of the planning body with the Integrated HIV Prevention and Care Plan.

Signature:                                        Date:
Planning Body Chair(s)