CDC awarded $19.41M to health departments and community-based organizations in Maryland for HIV prevention and care activities, including $6.36M in Ending the HIV Epidemic (EHE) funding.

CDC collects and disseminates data on 6 key EHE indicators. Current data are available online at AtlasPlus and on HHS AHEAD for each jurisdiction.

**DIAGNOSE:** Diagnose all people with HIV as early as possible

11% of Marylanders with HIV are unaware of their status, which means they aren’t getting the HIV care they need.

740 new HIV infections occurred in Maryland.

85,267 HIV tests were provided in Marylanders with CDC funding. HIV testing enables people to know their HIV status.

How CDC Dollars Can Improve DIAGNOSES:

- **Expand** routine screening of people in health care settings
- **Increase** testing in non-traditional settings (e.g., jails, emergency departments, street-based services)
- **Increase** access to and use of HIV self-tests
- **Integrate** STI and viral hepatitis screening into HIV testing services
**PREVENT:** Prevent new HIV transmissions by using proven interventions, including pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) and syringe services programs (SSPs)

PrEP is medicine people at risk for HIV take to prevent getting HIV from sex or injection drug use.

| 27,300 Marylanders at high risk for HIV could potentially benefit from PrEP but only 4,867 were prescribed PrEP. |

How CDC Dollars Can Improve PREVENTION:

- **Increase** access to and awareness of PrEP through innovations such as TelePrEP, a critical prevention tool in the context of COVID-19
- **Expand** access to SSPs and their capacity to provide integrated prevention services including PrEP
- **Implement** a status neutral approach to HIV prevention

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

There are 36,700 people with HIV in Maryland. **Linking people with HIV to care within one month** is a critical step to providing rapid access to HIV medicines.

| 65% of Marylanders with diagnosed HIV are virally suppressed. |

When a person with HIV takes their medicine regularly, they become virally suppressed, allowing them to live a long and healthy life and have effectively no risk of sexually transmitting HIV.

How CDC Dollars Can Improve TREATMENT:

- **Expand** access to telemedicine
- **Develop** networks to rapidly link persons with recently diagnosed HIV to care services
- **Integrate** HIV, STI, and hepatitis treatment to holistically address the syndemic

**RESPOND:** Respond early to potential HIV clusters or outbreaks to get prevention and treatment services to people who need them

| 86 Rapidly growing clusters nationally |

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.

How CDC Dollars Can Improve RESPONSE:

- **Direct** prevention and treatment resources to priority populations
- **Promote** equity in health services
- **Build** a competent workforce to address response activities

How CDC Dollars Can Build Workforce Capacity

CDC is providing funds to build a competent HIV prevention workforce that is representative of the communities they serve.

Nationally, learners from 216 unique organizations completed 565 HIV prevention courses with the most requested content area being increasing awareness of, access to, and adherence to PrEP.