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Ending the HIV Epidemic

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- How do we end the HIV epidemic in the US?
- Immediate, effective treatment is key.
- People with HIV need to take HIV treatment as soon as possible.
- Taking HIV medicine as prescribed can keep the amount of virus in their body very low (called viral suppression or undetectable).
- People who stay virally suppressed or undetectable can live long, healthy lives...
- And have effectively no risk of transmitting HIV to others through sex.
- About half of people with HIV in the US are virally suppressed.
- And 1 in 7 people with HIV don't know they have it.
- What can healthcare providers, people with HIV, and communities do to prevent new HIV infections?
- Find answers at www.cdc.gov/vitalsigns