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National African Immigrants and Refugee HIV and Hepatitis Awareness Day

National African Immigrants and Refugee HIV and Hepatitis Awareness Day is celebrated on September 9th. According to HIV.gov it was “Founded by advocates in Massachusetts, Washington, D.C., and New York. NAIRHHA Day has been observed annually on September 9 by communities, advocates, healthcare professionals, government officials, and other stakeholders since 2014. The purpose of NAIRHHA Day is to bring national and local attention to the HIV and viral hepatitis needs of African immigrants living in the U.S. in a culturally and linguistically appropriate manner. By addressing some of the unique issues that African immigrants in the U.S. face through awareness, education, and resources, NAIRHHA Day helps to eliminate the pervasive stigma surrounding HIV and hepatitis in these communities and empower individuals within these communities to take charge of their health by encouraging screenings, treatment, and hepatitis B vaccination” (HIV.gov, 2024)

Reference: [National African Immigrants and Refugee HIV and Hepatitis Awareness Day | HIV.gov](#)



National HIV/AIDS and Aging Awareness Day

National HIV/AIDS and Aging Awareness Day is celebrated on September 18th. According to HIV.gov it is led by the [AIDS Institute](#) and explains that “National HIV/AIDS and Aging Awareness Day (NHAAD) is observed each year on September 18 to focus on the increasing number of people who, because of major advancements in HIV treatment, are living long, full lives with HIV. The awareness day also calls attention to the unique health and social needs, as well as the challenges of HIV prevention, testing, treatment, and care among people who are aging. This year’s theme, “Protect Our Aging Populations: Meeting New Challenges to Live Longer and Improve Lives!”, aims to emphasize the need for prevention, research, and data focused on the aging community and increase medical understanding of the impact of HIV on the natural aging process.



More than half of people living with diagnosed HIV in the United States and dependent areas are aged 50 and older. Some were diagnosed later in life, while others have lived with HIV for many years. Support services are available through health care providers, local community centers, or HIV service organizations. Use the HIV [Services Locator](#) to find services near you” (HIV.gov, 2024).

In recognizing the growing needs of those aging with HIV, The HIV Health Services Planning Council conducted a focused needs assessment in FY23 on the HIV & Aging population. The results and findings of the assessment can be found [here](#).

Reference: [National HIV/AIDS and Aging Awareness Day #HIVandAging | HIV.gov](#)

National Latinx AIDS Awareness Day

October 15 is National Latinx AIDS Awareness Day (NLAAD). According to HIV.gov “NLAAD was first observed in 2003 by the Hispanic Federation and the Latino Commission on AIDS (LCOA). NLAAD is an opportunity to help address the disproportionate impact of HIV in Hispanic/Latinx communities, promote HIV testing, and stop HIV stigma. This observance is also a community mobilization effort that helps promote effective ways to prevent, treat, and stop the transmission of HIV among Hispanic/Latinx people.

The NLAAD 2024 campaign brings together communities, service providers, and organizations providing services to Hispanics/Latinxs throughout the U.S. and territories under one theme: "Start Treatment. Stick to It. Get Better." This year's campaign is directed at the entire community but focused on people who live with HIV. The campaign urges them to choose one of the many treatment options to maintain their health, reach undetectable viral load and do not pass the virus to others (treatment as prevention)" (HIV.gov, 2024).



Reference: [National Latinx AIDS Awareness Day | HIV.gov](#)

Awareness Days

September 9 is National African Immigrants and Refugee HIV and Hepatitis Awareness Day

September 18 is National HIV/AIDS and Aging Awareness Day

October 15 is National Latinx AIDS Awareness Day

Upcoming Event

Save the Date

**World AIDS Day Brunch—Sunday, December 1, 2024—12PM-4PM
Sacramento LGBT Community Center—1015 20th St, Sacramento, CA 95811**

Food, refreshments, and entertainment will be provided.

Click [here](#) for event flyer

One Community Health offers low cost & confidential walk-in and appointments for HIV, Hepatitis C & STD testing at its Midtown Campus.

Call 916-443-3299 to make an appointment or for more information.

No one will be turned away if they are unable to pay.

Sunburst Clinic: 916-299-6810, SunburstClinic.org

Free confidential walk-in HIV/HCV/STD testing

Monday – Friday, 8 am – 6 pm in Arden Area.

PrEP Starter Pack issued same-day. PrEP-AP and ADAP enrollment or recertification

Free or Low-Cost STD/HIV/HCV Testing;

Contact the agency directly for dates, times and costs of testing

Golden Rule Services 916-427-4653

Harm Reduction Services 916-456-4849

Sacramento Sexual Health Clinic 916-875-1551

Partner Services:

County of Sacramento - 916-875-1100

One Community Health - 916-443-3299

Sunburst Projects - 916-440-0889

Yolo County - 530-666-8670

El Dorado and Placer Counties:

Sierra Foothills AIDS Foundation 530-889-2437

The Sacramento TGA's HIV Health Services Planning Council and Committee Meeting Schedules
Committees may be canceled if there is no pressing business to conduct.
Go to www.sacramento-tga.com for the most updated meeting schedule.

1st Monday of Even Months:
February 5th, April 3rd, June 3rd,
August 5th, October 7th, and
December 2nd

Affected Communities Committee: 3:00—4:00 p.m. at
Sacramento County Health Center, 4600 Broadway, Sacramento, CA.
Community Room 2020

Quarterly on the 1st Tuesday of:
March 5th, May 7th, June 4th,
Sept. 3rd, and Dec. 3rd

Quality Advisory Committee: 2:00—3:00 p.m. at the
Sacramento County Health Center, 4600 Broadway, Sacramento, CA.
Community Room 2020

Quarterly on the 1st Tuesday of
March 5th, May 7th, June 4th,
Sept. 3rd, and Dec. 3rd

Needs Assessment Committee: 3:00—4:30 p.m. at the
Sacramento County Health Center, 4600 Broadway, Sacramento, CA.
Community Room 2020

1st Wednesday of the Months of:
March 6th, May 1st, June 5th, and
Sept. 11th. **Jan 8, 2025 due to the
Holiday**

Priorities and Allocations Committee: 9:00—11:00 a.m. at the
Sacramento County Health Center, 4600 Broadway, Sacramento, CA.
Community Room 2020

2nd Thursday of the Months of:
March 14th, May 9th, June 13th,
Sept. 12th, and January 9th

Executive Committee: 3:00—5:00 p.m. at the County of Sacramento
Sacramento County Health Center, 4600 Broadway, Sacramento, CA.
Community Room 2020

4th Wednesday of Every Month:
Combined Nov/Dec on 12/11/2024

HIV Health Services Planning Council: 10:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. at the
Sacramento County Health Center, 4600 Broadway, Sacramento, CA.
Community Room 2020

Primary Care Parking: There is free parking on the LOWER LEVEL in the parking structure. Entrance off



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The **POSITIVE ADVOCATE** Newsletter is a quarterly information and outreach project. We welcome submissions from the affected community. For additional information about the Affected Communities Committee (ACC), HIV Health Services Planning Council (HHSPC), or this newsletter, contact: Danielle Caravella at HIV-HSPC@saccounty.gov
www.sacramento-tga.com

The **Affected Communities Committee** addresses issues facing the HIV/AIDS community and advises the Planning Council on community affairs. The mission of the committee is to recruit, empower, and involve people living with HIV/AIDS in the strategic planning and advocacy of HIV/AIDS care and services. These goals will be accomplished with the assistance of the Council support staff toward the fulfillment of its mission. The committee encourages an environment of trust and safety in achieving its mission.

The Committee meets the first Monday of the Even Months of the year, 3—4 p.m., at Sacramento County Health Center, 4600 Broadway, Community Room 2020, Sacramento, 95820.

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916-403-2910 x1077

Golden Rule Services 916-427-4653

Harm Reduction Services 916-456-4849

One Community Health 916-443-3299
Direct HIV Service Line: 916-842-5185

Sacramento Sexual Health Clinic

916-875-1551

Sierra Foothills AIDS Foundation

**** El Dorado and Placer Counties only ****
Main number: 530-889-2437

Sunburst Projects 916-440-0889

UC Davis Medical Center Pediatric Infectious Disease 916-734-1873

In the box to the right, is a list of Ryan White Part A and B funded Services.

Services may vary per provider and additional services may be available through other funding sources.

Please contact a provider above for additional information.

- ⇒ Ambulatory Outpatient Care
- ⇒ Medical Case Management
- ⇒ Child Care
- ⇒ Emergency Financial Assistance
- ⇒ Food Bank/Home Delivered Meals
- ⇒ Health Insurance Assistance
- ⇒ Housing
- ⇒ Medical Nutritional Therapy
- ⇒ Medical Transportation
- ⇒ Mental Health
- ⇒ Non-Medical Case Management
- ⇒ Oral Health
- ⇒ Outreach Services
- ⇒ Substance Abuse—Outpatient
- ⇒ Substance Abuse—Residential