We will provide an overview of:

• Ending the HIV Epidemic: A Plan for America

• The development of In It To End It: Our Plan to End the HIV Epidemic

• The preparation and planning work that has been completed to date

• 2019 demographics for newly-diagnosed clients entering Ryan White care in New Haven
Ending the HIV Epidemic: A Plan for America

75% reduction in new HIV infections by 2025

90% reduction by 2030

- Announced by President Trump on February 5, 2019
- Collaboration of Health and Human Services agencies
  - Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health (lead agency)
  - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
  - Health Resources and Services Administration
  - Indian Health Service
  - National Institutes of Health
  - Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

- Key Strategies:
  - **Diagnose** people with HIV
  - **Treat** HIV rapidly and effectively (goal: viral suppression)
  - **Prevent** new HIV transmissions (PrEP, syringe service programs, etc.)
  - **Respond** quickly to potential HIV outbreaks
Our Strategy

UNITE AND CONQUER
• New Haven Part A Program was one of ten jurisdictions nationally to be awarded funding

• Grant provided by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), HIV/AIDS Bureau

• Ryan White Part A Program Regions: New Haven, Waterbury, Bridgeport, Stamford/Norwalk and Danbury

• Hartford Part A Program accepted an invitation to collaborate

• “Ground up” inclusive planning approach

• Plan will establish Region-specific objectives and activities

• Collaborative Research contracted to coordinate planning activities and complete the final plan

• Plan due to HRSA by June 30, 2021
Guiding Principles for Local Planning

- **Aspirational**: We can end the local HIV epidemic!

- **Collaborative**: Region-specific input from persons living with HIV (PLWH), stakeholders, planning body members, CBO staff, etc. – all participants are equals

- **Data-Driven**: Guided by national data, local data, personal knowledge and expertise, and PLWH experience – each have merit

- **Needs-Based**: “This is what needs to be done,” not “This is what’s funded to be done”

- **Goal-Oriented**: High-impact, defined performance expectations

- **Challenges the Status Quo**: Innovative, thoughtful strategies with public, private, programmatic and governmental responsibilities
Leadership Team

• Region 1 New Haven
  Chris Cole, APNH

• Region 2 Waterbury
  Samuel Bowens, Waterbury Department of Health

• Region 3 Bridgeport
  Nancy Kingwood, GBAPP

• Region 4 Stamford/Norwalk
  Krystle Moore, Liberation Programs, Inc.

• Region 5 Danbury
  Taylor Edelmann, APEX Community Care

• Region 6 Hartford
  DeLita Rose-Daniels, City of Hartford
Planning Timeline

May to August 2020
• Stakeholder Engagement
• Assessment of Current Continuum of Care

September 2020 to February 2021
• Engagement of Priority Populations
• Regional Plan Development

March to June 2021
• Jurisdictional Plan Development
• Final Plan Completed by June 30, 2021
Completed Activities

• **Priority populations**: Young Black and Hispanic Men who have Sex with Men, Black and Transgender women

• **Analysis of the priorities and strategies** of 25 other state and jurisdictional Ending the HIV Epidemic plans

• **Partnerships with LGBTQ+ organizations** to conduct listening sessions with priority populations

• **Collaboration** with the Connecticut HIV Planning Consortium (CHPC) Getting to Zero (G2Z) Sub-Committee
**Completed Activities**

**Interviewed more than 30 regional stakeholders**, identifying common themes and priorities:

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<td>• Train care providers on LGBTQ+ health needs (a gateway to HIV prevention)</td>
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We’re In It To End It

The New Haven HIV Project is leading the development of a plan to end the HIV epidemic in New Haven. We need your input. We know how you feel about how we handle HIV care and prevention efforts. We want to ensure that everyone’s voice is heard. Every thought counts.

We’re in it to end it. Are you?

Region 1: New Haven

HIV TRANSMISSIONS BY YEAR OF DIAGNOSES AND AGE GROUP

PEOPLE LIVING WITH HIV IN REGION 1, 2014 - 2018

NEW HAVEN CARE CONTINUUM, 2014-2018
2019 Demographics
Newly Diagnosed Clients

New Haven Part A Program
Region 1: New Haven

Risk Factor by Gender/Race

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• There’s a national strategy to end the HIV epidemic by 2030 (Ending the HIV Epidemic: A Plan for America)

• The Ryan White Part A Program is leading a comprehensive local planning initiative (In It To End It)

• Six metro regions are collaborating to develop “disruptively innovative” initiatives to end the HIV epidemic in New Haven, Fairfield and Hartford Counties

• Priority populations in New Haven and Fairfield Counties are Black and Hispanic MSM, Women and Transgender Women
“Today we have the right data, the right tools and the right leadership to end the HIV epidemic.”

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