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# Ryan White: Improving the HIV Care Continuum

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# Objectives

1. Understand the HIV care continuum for Nevada
2. Identify potential gaps in the care continuum
3. Identify potential solutions

# POLL: Who is in the room?

My role in Ryan White:

- a. Ancillary care (pharmacist, nutritionist, therapist)
- b. Case manager (eligibility, social worker)
- c. Linkage coordinator / peer navigator
- d. Mid level (APRN, PA)
- e. Nurse (clinic or case manager)
- f. Physician (HIV provider, psychiatrist)
- g. Public health surveillance (DDCS, DIIS, epidemiology)
- h. Ryan white administration (budget, quality, etc)
- i. Other





<http://www.epi.umn.edu/mch/resource-hrsa-2017-health-equity-report/>

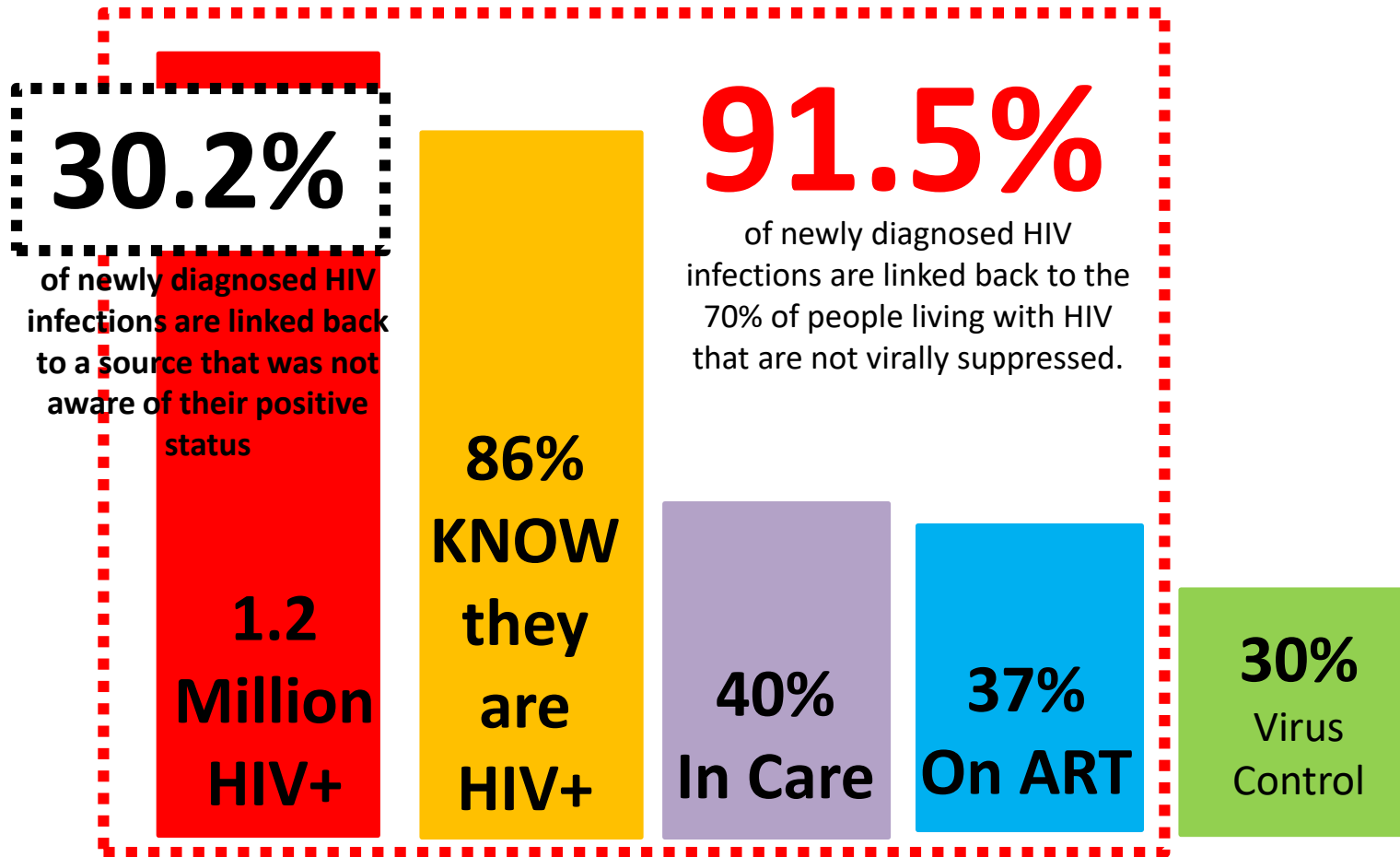
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yesterday .

read

# HIV Care Continuum

Estimated percentage of persons living with HIV infection\*  
by outcome along the HIV care continuum – United States, 2011

\*N = 1.2 million people living with HIV (PLWH)





# POLL: For HRSA/HAB, what is the linkage to care interval?

- a. # newly dx who attended a routine HIV medical care visit within 1 year of diagnosis
- b. # newly dx who attended a routine HIV medical care visit within 3 months of diagnosis
- c. # newly dx who attended a routine HIV medical care visit within 1 month of diagnosis



# HIV Care Continuum

Linkage: (as of March 2017 publication)

#newly dx attending HIV medical visit within 1 month of dx

#newly dx in the measurement year

Linkage:

#newly dx attending HIV medical visit within 3 months of dx

#newly dx in the measurement year

POLL: For HRSA/HAB, what is the cutoff value for viral suppression?

- a. HIV RNA PCR < 200 copies/mL
- b. HIV RNA PCR < 150 copies/mL
- c. HIV RNA PCR < 40 copies/mL
- d. HIV RNA PCR < 20 copies/mL
- e. HIV RNA PCR that is undetectable



# HIV Care Continuum

Viral load suppression:

#PLWH with last viral load <200 copies/mL in measurement year

#PLWH with at least one medical visit in the measurement year

# POLL: For HRSA/HAB, what is the performance measure for retention in care?

- a. # missed appointments (no shows) during the observation period
- b. # completed visits / # total scheduled visits during the observation period
- c. Proportion of time intervals with at least one completed visit during the observation period
- d. Time intervals between completed clinic visits (usually 3, 4, or 6 months) during the observation period
- e. At least one visit in each 6 month period of a 2 year observation period





# HIV Care Continuum

## Retention in care (HIV Medical Visit Frequency):

#PLWH with at least one medical visit in each 6 month period in a 24 month period (minimum of 60 days between first medical visit in the prior 6 month period and the last medical visit in the subsequent 6 month period)

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#PLWH with at least one medical visit in the first 6 months of a 24 month measurement period



# Nevada HIV Care Continuum

## Linkage:

#PLWH linked to care within 3 months in measurement year

#PLWH newly diagnosed in the measurement year

## Retention (HIV medical visit frequency):

#PLWH  $\geq 2$  CD4 or viral load tests at least 3 mos apart in measurement year

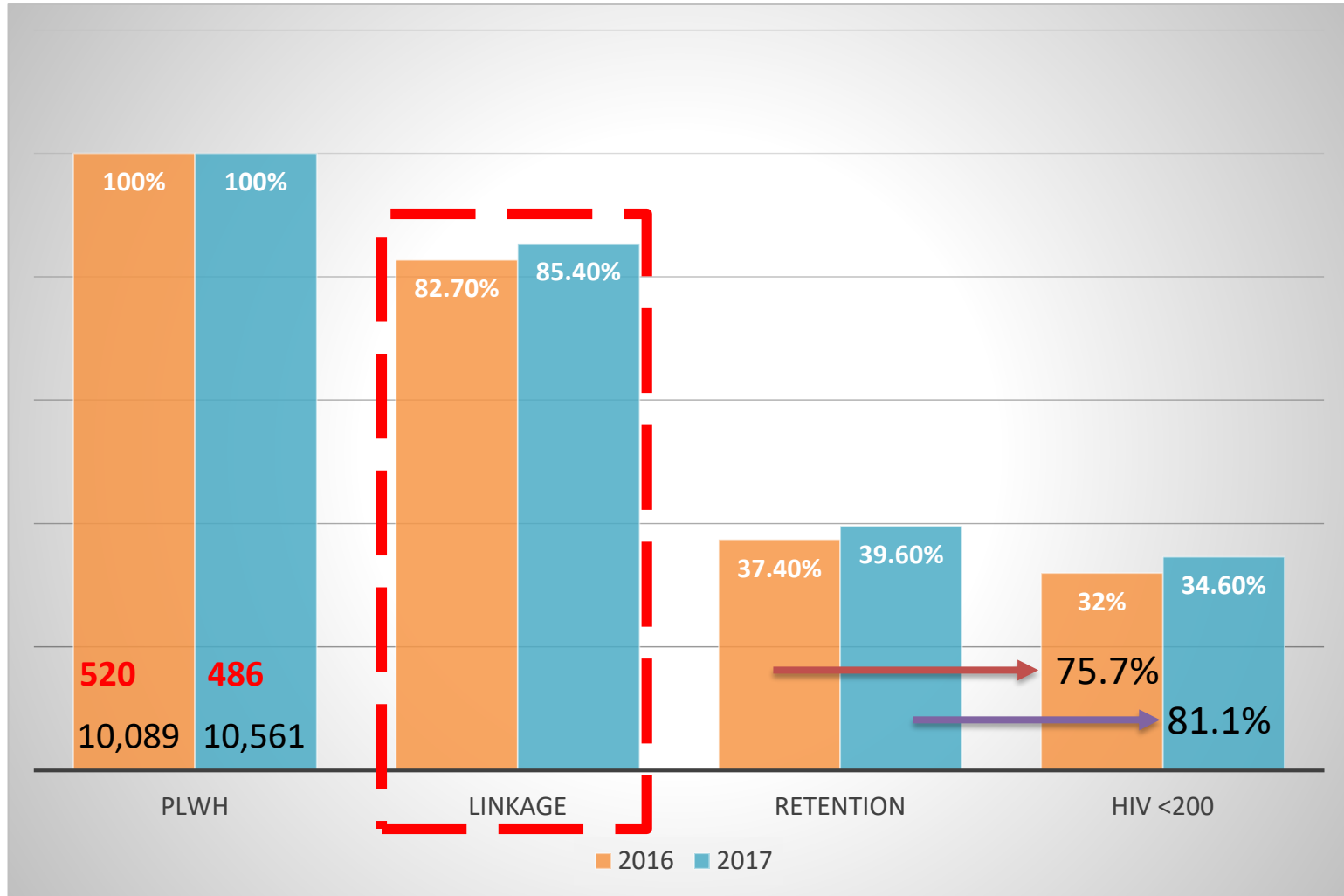
#PLWH with at least one medical visit in the measurement year

## Viral load suppression:

#PLWH with most recent viral load  $< 200$  copies/mL in measurement year

#PLWH with at least one medical visit in the measurement year

## Continuum of Care – Persons Living with HIV/AIDS, Nevada, 2016 and 2017



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## END HIV NEVADA PROGRAM

 **8,688,872**

2017 AWARD AMOUNT

## LIVING WITH HIV/AIDS

 **3,378**

CLIENTS SERVED IN 2017

## HIV PREVENTION

 **256**

# HIV DIAGNOSED

 **241**

# LINKED TO  
CARE

 **2,777**

# RETAINED IN  
CARE

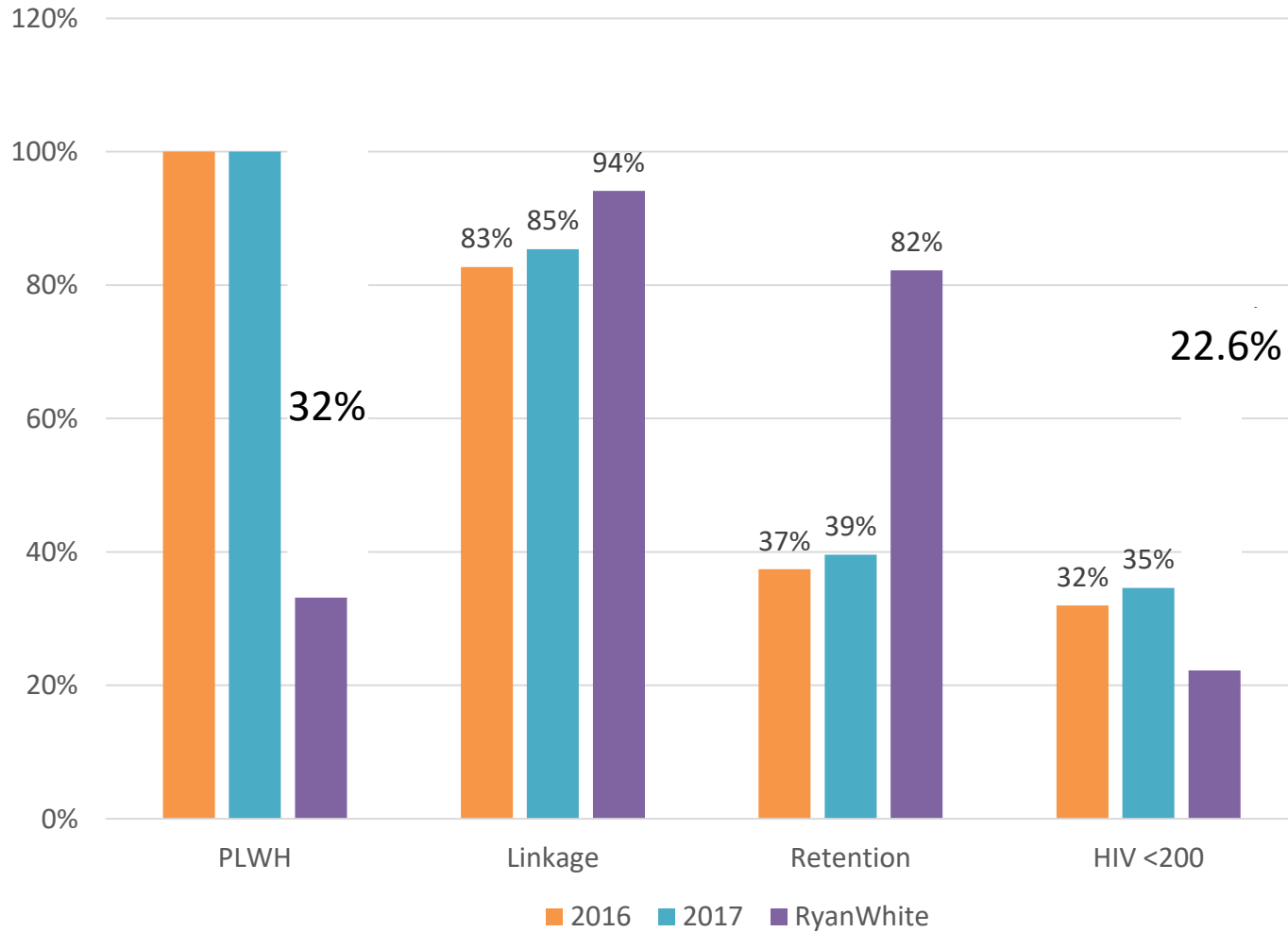
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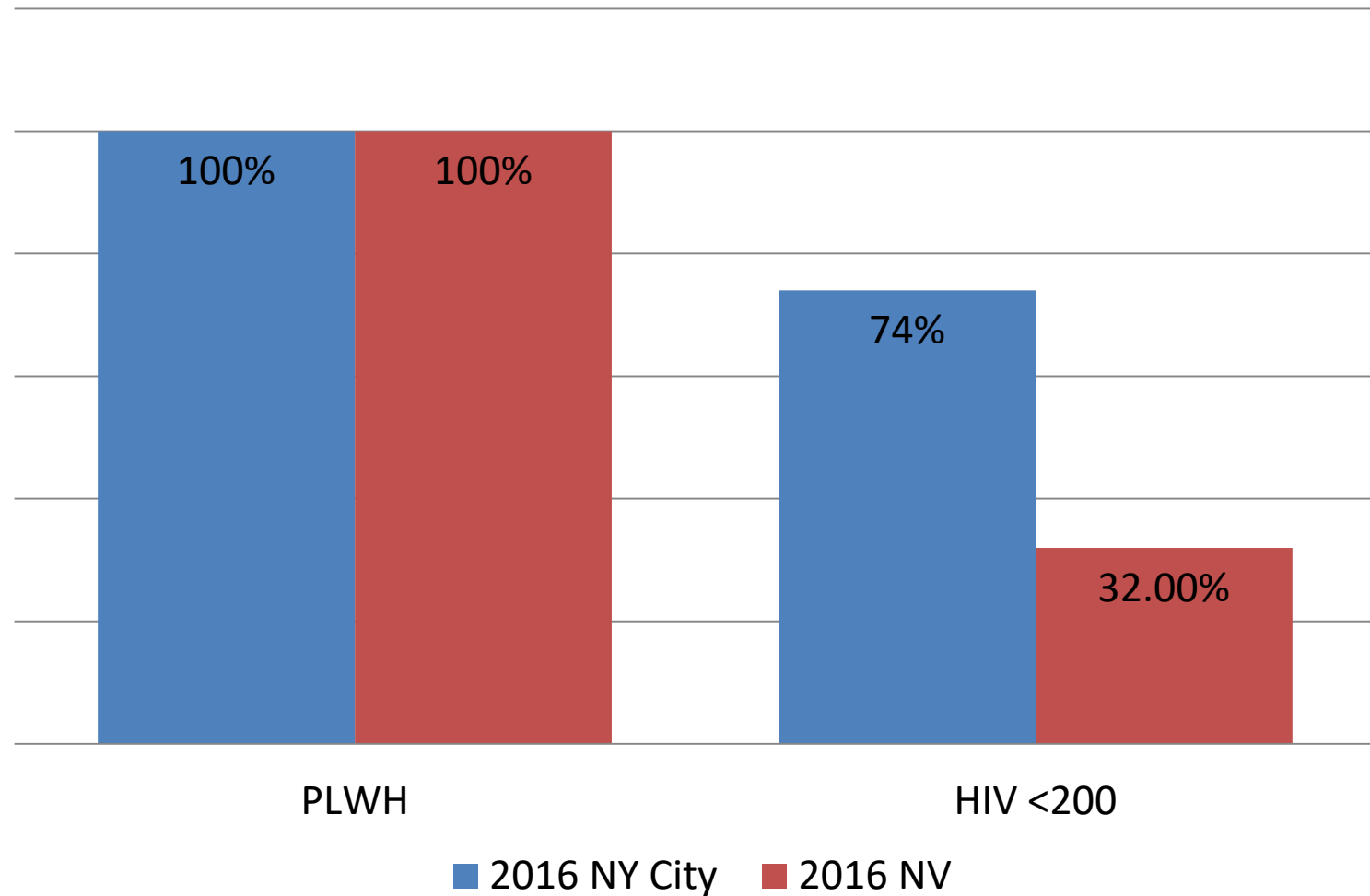
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# VIRAL  
SUPPRESSION

## Continuum of Care – Persons Living with HIV/AIDS, Nevada, 2016 and 2017



## Continuum of Care – Persons Living with HIV/AIDS, NYC 2017 and NV 2016





# FAST-TRACK CITIES

- International Association of Providers of AIDS Care (IAPAC)
- United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS)
- United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat)
- City of Paris.
  - Launched on World AIDS Day 2014,
  - More than 250 cities and municipalities committed to 90-90-90



# UNAIDS 90-90-90 Goals

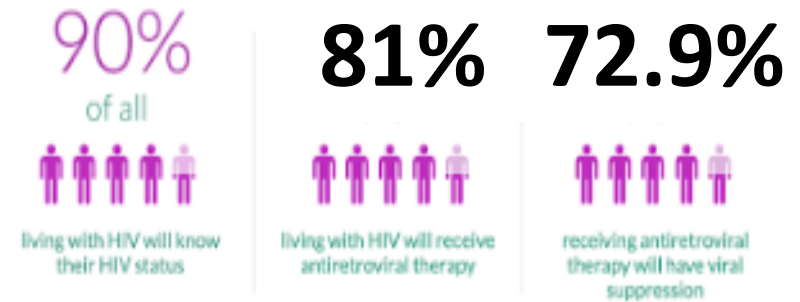
## 2020 International Country Targets

- Of ALL HIV Positive People

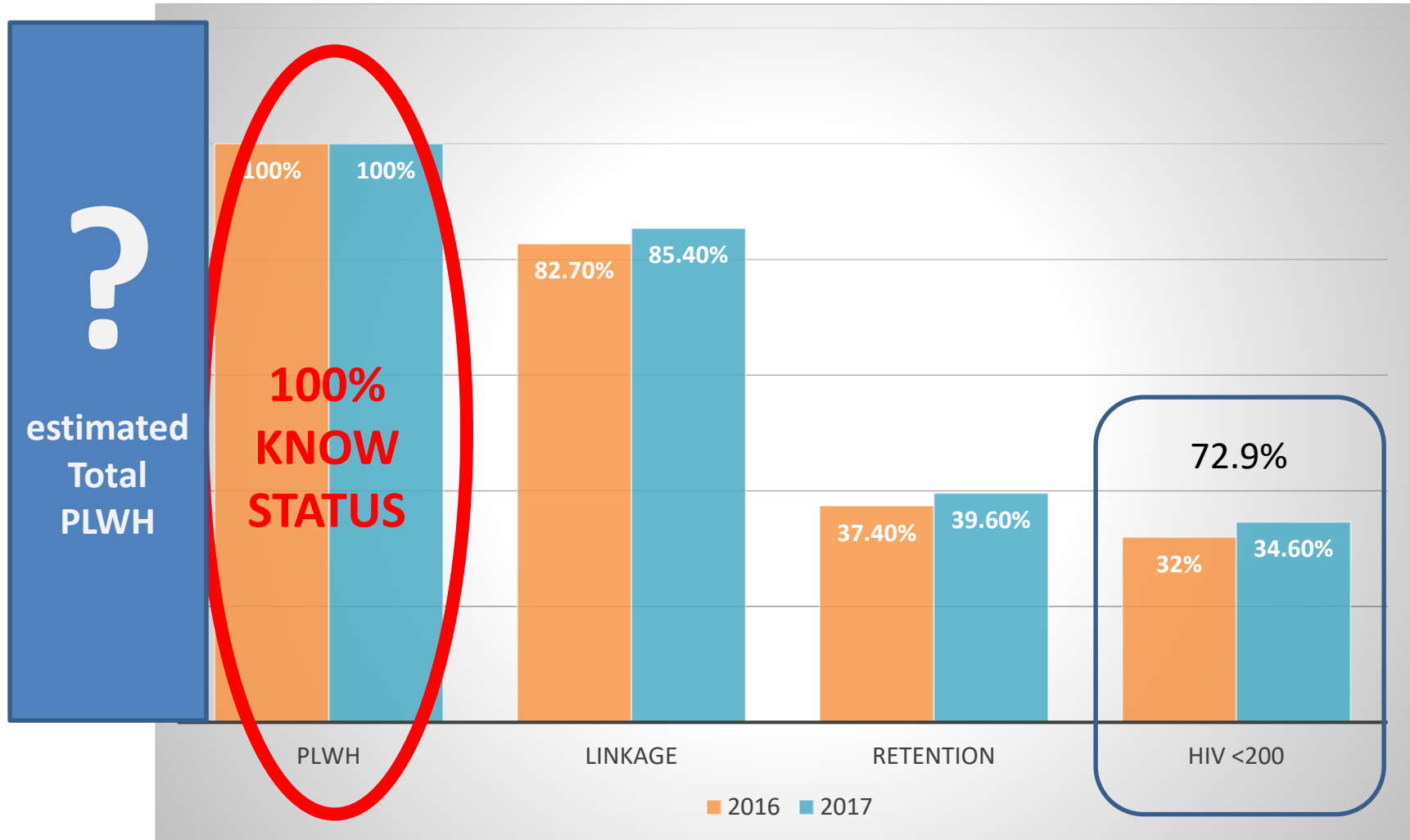
- Target 1= 90% diagnosed

- Target 2= 90% on ART

- Target 3= 90% virally suppressed



## Continuum of Care – Persons Living with HIV/AIDS, Nevada, 2016 and 2017



Percentage of people  
aged  $\geq 13$  years  
living with HIV  
who are aware of their status  
by jurisdiction, **2012**



**GOAL**  
**90%**

**HIV testing is  
critical to HIV  
prevention**

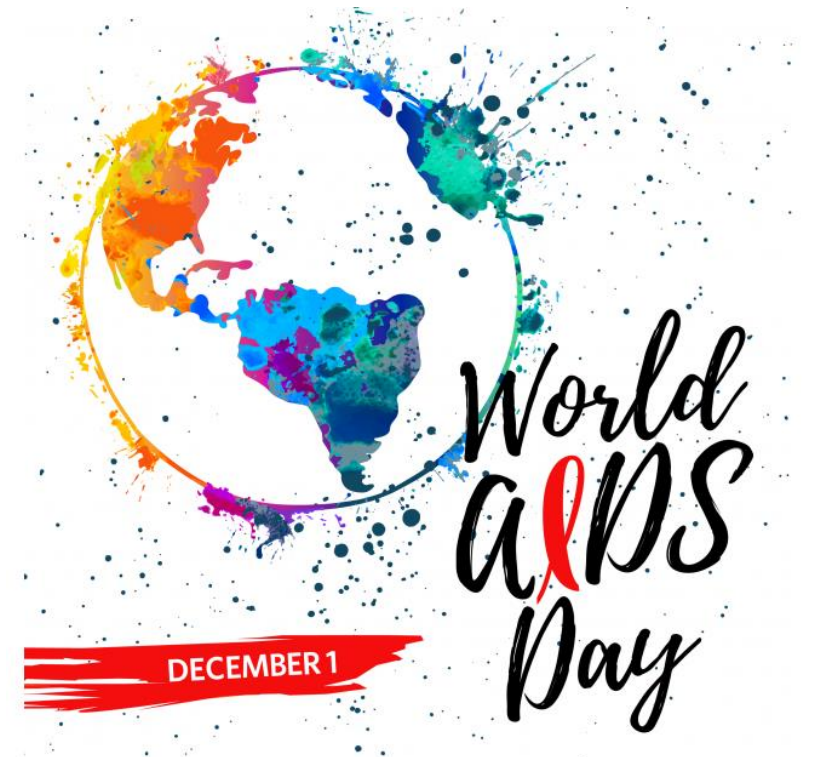
**NEVADA**  
**85%**





# On World AIDS Day, UMC outlines strategy to improve HIV detection, treatment

by Marvin Clemons |



# Poll: Do you know what this is?

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Nevada Integrated HIV Prevention and Care Plan 2017-2021

September 30, 2016



Las Vegas TGA Ryan White Part A HIV/AIDS Program

Ryan White HIV/AIDS Part B Program

HIV Prevention Program

State Office of HIV/AIDS, Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health



- a. Yes, I helped create this Care Plan.
- b. Yes, I know the goals of our state.
- c. Yes, I've heard about it but isn't it just getting to zero?
- d. No, this is the first time I'm seeing this.









# THE GOALS



Reducing new HIV  
infections

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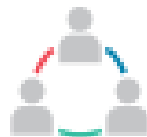
Improving access to care  
and health outcomes

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Reducing HIV-related  
health disparities

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Achieving a more  
coordinated national  
response

## NATIONAL HIV/AIDS STRATEGY: UPDATED TO 2020

# Goal 1: Reducing new HIV infections

## Objective 1a. **By 2021, 90% of people living with HIV will know their serostatus.**

O1a. Strategy 1: Increase number of high risk people tested in Nevada, based on data

O1a. Strategy 2: Increase community awareness of the importance of HIV testing, including awareness of testing sites

O1a. Strategy 3: Increase the number of rapid HIV testing locations available in Nevada

## Objective 1b. **By 2021, reduce by 25% the number of new HIV diagnoses.**

O1b. Strategy 1: Increase education and access to PrEP and PEP

O1b. Strategy 2: Increase community education of HIV/AIDS through comprehensive sexual health education

O1b. Strategy 3: Provide community-wide harm reduction strategies, including condoms and other harm reduction materials availability and utilization

## **Goal 2: Increasing access to care and improving health outcomes for PLWH**

**Objective 2a. By 2021, increase to 85% the percentage of people newly diagnosed with HIV who have been linked to a provider within the first 30 days.**

O2a. Strategy 1: Improved communication between organizations

O2a. Strategy 2: Link hard-to reach populations providers to provide continuity of care for PLWH

O2a. Strategy 3: Facilitate patient readiness to participate in their care and management of HIV

**Objective 2b. By 2021, increase by 20% the percentage of clients in care needing mental and/or behavioral health services who went to their first appointment.**

O2b. Strategy 1: Improve communication among organizations and between clients and organizations

O2b. Strategy 2: Recruit more mental/behavioral health providers

O2b. Strategy 3: Professional Development activities

## **Goal 2: Increasing access to care and improving health outcomes for PLWH**

**Objective 2c. By 2021, 80% of people diagnosed with HIV, who have had a medical visit each year for the past two years, will be virally suppressed (VL <200)**

O2c. Strategy 1: Address treatment adherence of PLWH through educational strategies and evaluation

O2c. Strategy 2: Provide education and information regarding uninterrupted access to and proper use of medication

O2c. Strategy 3: Educate both client and provider stakeholders regarding the importance of routine viral load testing and tracking of viral load data

**Objective 2d. By 2021, reduce to 20% the incidence of STIs in HIV infected persons in care.**

O2d. Strategy 1: Conduct provider education and disseminate recommendations regarding routine screenings for STIs

O2d. Strategy 2: Conduct public and individual education for PLWH and newly diagnosed regarding STI s

O2d. Strategy 3: Develop quality control measures to improve clinical care and outcomes

## **Goal 2: Increasing access to care and improving health outcomes for PLWH**

### **Objective 2e. By 2021, increase number of clinics screening for HIV associated comorbidities by 20%.**

O2e. Strategy 1: Conduct provider education and recommendations regarding routine screenings for comorbidities

O2e. Strategy 2: Conduct public and individual education for PLWH and newly diagnosed regarding common HIV comorbidities

O2e. Strategy 3: Develop quality control measures to improve clinical care and outcomes

# Goal 3: Reducing HIV related disparities and health inequities

**Objective 3a. By 2021, reduce disparities in the rate of new diagnoses by at least 15 percent among Nevada's priority populations.**

O3a. Strategy 1: Engage the community in order to find out how to best reach priority populations

O3a. Strategy 2: Implement HIV prevention public education through media campaigns and social network strategies to target populations

O3a. Strategy 3: Increase provider and organization capacity to test at sites in their communities

# Goal 3: Reducing HIV related disparities and health inequities

**Objective 3b. By 2010, increase to 85% the percentage of newly diagnosed with HIV among Nevada's priority populations who have been linked to a provider within the first 30 days.**

O3b. Strategy 1: Improve first contact and point of access to care for PLWH who experience multiple “layers” of stigma (e.g., HIV infected, gay, minority, female, transgender, IV drug user, etc.)

O3b. Strategy 2: Improve the ability of PLWH in underserved or high risk groups to navigate the HIV system of care

O3b. Strategy 3: Improve the accessibility of information for PLWH in underserved or high risk groups

Type in ONE WORD to describe  
what you think  
is the largest Barrier  
to HIV Prevention and Care

POLL: WORD CLOUD





### Top HIV Prevention Service Needs

- Basic HIV prevention education
- HIV education for youth, African Americans and Latinos
- HIV education and awareness through social media, internet, and other media campaigns
- Reduction of stigma
- Free or low cost testing
- Access to rapid HIV testing
- Routine testing and sexual risk assessment by primary care providers
- Culturally and linguistically appropriate education
- Education and awareness of PEP and PrEP
- Access to PEP and PrEP
- Free or low cost access to condoms
- Education on harm reduction skills
- Syringe services programs

## Top HIV Prevention Gaps

- Consistent comprehensive HIV prevention education in schools statewide
- Culturally and linguistically appropriate HIV prevention materials
- Awareness of HIV prevention resources in community
- Access to community-based testing for high risk populations
- Universal testing in medical settings
- Ongoing stigma and fear related to HIV and HIV testing
- Availability of syringe services programs
- Usage of condoms in high risk populations
- Testing among high risk populations
- Knowledge and awareness of PrEP and PEP
- Access to PrEP and PEP

### **Top HIV Care Service Needs for PLWH in Nevada**

- Medical care
- Dental care
- Vision care
- Food assistance
- Medication
- Transportation
- Case management
- Nutrition services
- Mental health care
- Specialty care
- Referrals for health care/supportive services
- Treatment adherence counseling
- Support groups
- Health insurance assistance
- Emergency financial assistance
- Housing services
- Legal services
- Substance abuse help
- Early intervention services
- HIV and health classes
- Outreach

### Top HIV Care Gaps

- Vision care
- Dental care
- Financial assistance
- Transportation
- Specialty doctors
- Nutrition help
- Housing services
- Referrals to health care and other supportive services
- Mental health services
- Food assistance
- Peer advocates
- HIV and health classes
- Substance abuse services
- Legal assistance
- Culturally competent providers
- Providers knowledgeable about HIV
- Providers willing to accept Medicaid

## Barriers to HIV Prevention and Care Services

### Structural and Social Barriers

- Stigma related to HIV
- Fear of people knowing they have HIV
- Sprawl of Las Vegas TGA/distance between services
- Transiency

### Health Department Barriers

- Lack of funding
- Lack of personnel
- Client mistrust of government
- Lack of flexibility within bureaucratic structure
- Length of time to implement changes
- Difficulties using volunteers due to policies
- Difficulties providing incentives to clients
- Lack of support for some programming due to political issues/public perception
- Lack of Health Departments in many counties

### Service Provider Barriers

- Lack of HIV providers
- Lack of specialty care providers
- Lack of mental health providers
- Long wait times
- Lack of case workers
- Lack of culturally and linguistically appropriate services
- Lack of one-stop shops for HIV services

### Legislative and Policy Barriers

- No requirement to report CD4 values with counts below 500 per  $\text{ml}^3$  of blood and a detectable viral load ( $>200$  copies/ml)
- Lack of comprehensive sexual education in schools

### Program Barriers

- Complicated eligibility process
- Decreases in funding
- Restrictions on use of funding
- Lack of support for some programming due to political issues/public perception
- Securing community buy-in when programmatic changes occur at the federal level

### Client Barriers

- Lack of housing
- Lack of food/nutrition
- Mental health and substance abuse issues
- Denial about having HIV
- Not feeling sick
- Lack of transportation
- Lack of knowledge of where to go for services
- Burden of paperwork
- Difficulty accessing medications
- Cost of services
- Services not covered by insurance





now  
what?

tomorrow

yesterday

# Nevada Integrated HIV Prevention and Care Plan 2017-2021 Interim Monitoring Program Report

July 2017



Prepared by  
HIV Prevention and Care Plan Monitoring Team  
Center for Program Evaluation,  
School of Community Health Sciences, and School of Medicine  
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**Key:**



**Green:**  
Activity completed.



**Yellow light:**  
Activity in process,  
ongoing.



**Red:**  
Activity not started.



Develop statewide targeted testing  
workgroup



Review available HIV testing data  
(where testing is conducted and  
where the positives are being  
found)



Recruit substance abuse and mental  
health representatives to workgroup



Establish baseline for testing among  
priority populations



Enhance, develop and evaluate state  
training and certification process for  
new testing sites



Promote rapid testing



Develop and administer train the  
trainer



Put rapid testing locations on HIV  
websites



Initiate provider and Community  
education and training on PrEP & PEP



Develop a resource list of  
pharmacies where PrEP is available



Training provider and staff on PrEP &  
PEP



Explore condom need in community  
for priority populations



Awareness campaign about ability  
to get condoms through Medicaid



Identify places where free condoms  
are most needed



Increase accessibility by creating  
an online application to map free  
and purchased condom locations in  
Nevada

## O3a. Strategy 1: Engage the community in order to find out how to best reach priority populations

### Status of Planned 2017-2018 Activities



Identify successful group-specific disease prevention campaigns and strategies that can be adapted to HIV prevention.

<https://www.cdc.gov/hiv/research/interventionresearch/compendium/index.html>

HIV Basics

HIV by Group



HIV Risk and Prevention



HIV in the Workplace

HIV Testing



Research



Intervention Research



Effective Behavioral Interventions (EBIs)

Replicating Effective Programs (REP)

**Compendium of Evidence-Based Interventions and Best Practices for HIV Prevention**

Biomedical Research



## Compendium of Evidence-Based Interventions and Best Practices for HIV Prevention



- [NEW Structural Interventions \(SI\) Chapter](#)
- [Linkage to, Retention in, and Re-engagement in HIV Care \(LRC\) Chapter](#)
- [Medication Adherence \(MA\) Chapter](#)
- [Risk Reduction \(RR\) Chapter](#)

The Evidence-Based Interventions (EBIs) and Best Practices in the *Compendium* are identified by the [CDC's Prevention Research Synthesis \(PRS\) Project](#) through a series of ongoing systematic reviews. Each eligible intervention is evaluated against explicit *a priori* criteria ([SI criteria](#); [LRC criteria](#); [MA criteria](#); [RR criteria](#)) and has shown sufficient evidence that the intervention works. The PRS Project will regularly update this *Compendium* as new EBIs and Best Practices are identified. Additional details about the *Compendium* or the PRS Project can be obtained by [contacting PRS](#).

The *Compendium* comprises four chapters. A complete listing of each chapter can be accessed below.

- The [NEW Structural Interventions \(SI\) Chapter](#) of the *Compendium* includes **11 best practices**. (Updated December 28, 2018)
- The [Linkage to, Retention in, and Re-engagement in HIV Care \(LRC\) Chapter](#) of the *Compendium* includes **15 best practices**. ( Updated on December 28, 2018)

<https://www.whatworksinyouthhiv.org/strategies/evidence-based-interventions>



<https://effectiveinterventions.cdc.gov/>

## Effective Interventions

**EffectiveInterventions**

HIV PREVENTION THAT WORKS

[TRAINING CALENDAR](#)

[ELEARNING CENTER](#)

[CAPACITY BUILDING ASSISTANCE](#)

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HIV  
Testing  
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Care & Medication  
Adherence  
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Persons Living  
with HIV  
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HIV-Negative  
Persons  
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Community and  
Structural-level  
▼

HIV Data in  
Action  
▼

A to Z  
Resources  
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# ARTAS



## RESULTS OF STUDY:

79% (497 of 626) of participants visited an HIV clinician at least once within the first 6 months.

## RESULTS IN LAS VEGAS:

83% (251 of 304) of Las Vegas TGA clients were linked to care in 2014.

1. <https://effectiveinterventions.cdc.gov/en/care-medication-adherence/group-1/artas>

2. [J Acquir Immune Defic Syndr](#). 2008 Apr 15;47(5):597-606.doi:10.1097/QAI.0b013e3181684c51.

3. [http://dpbh.nv.gov/uploadedFiles/dpbh.nv.gov/content/Programs/HIV-Ryan/dta/Policies/Draft\\_HIV\\_Plan\\_9.9.16.pdf](http://dpbh.nv.gov/uploadedFiles/dpbh.nv.gov/content/Programs/HIV-Ryan/dta/Policies/Draft_HIV_Plan_9.9.16.pdf)

# THE GOALS



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infections

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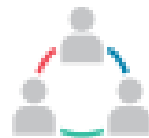
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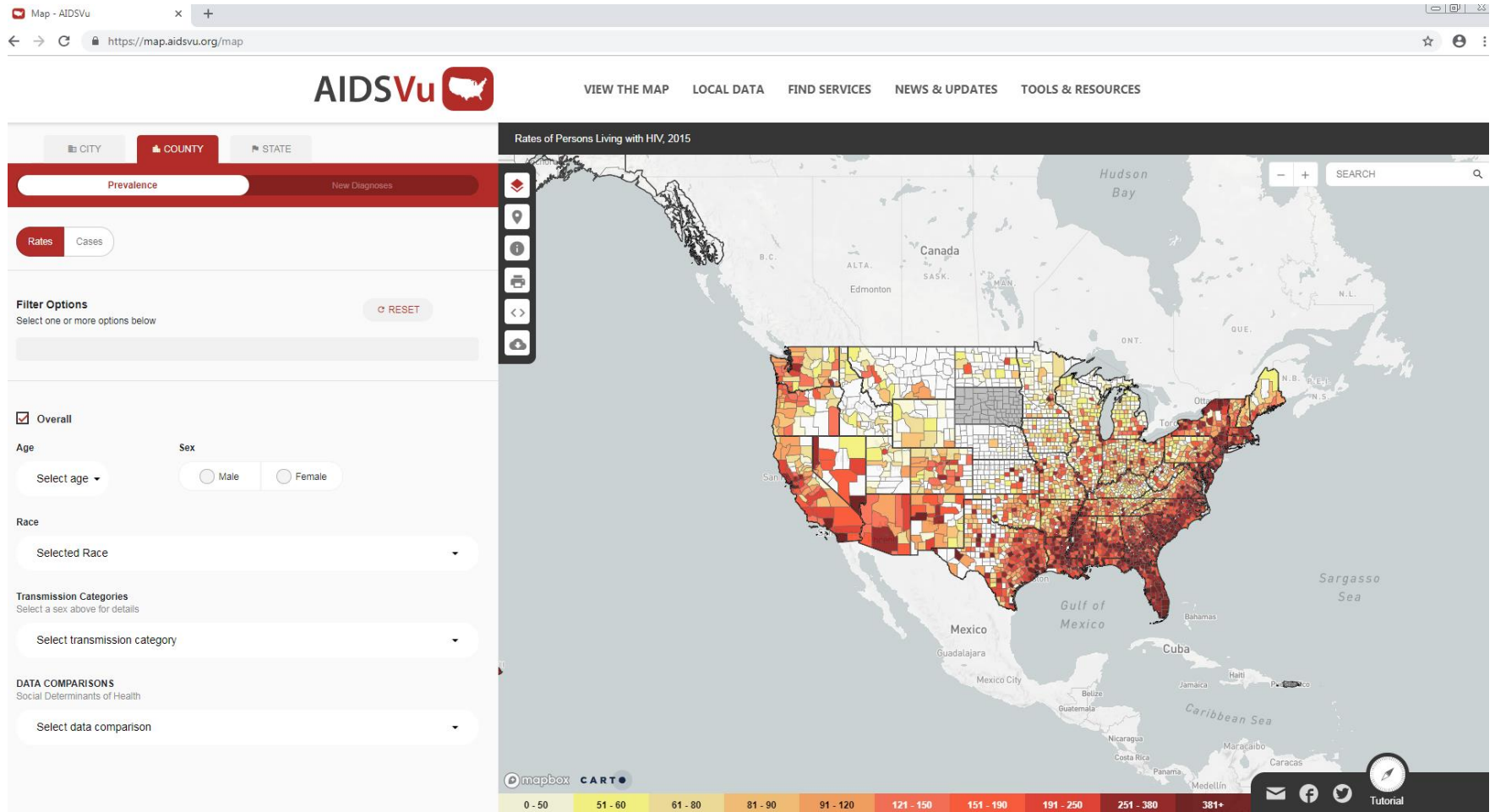
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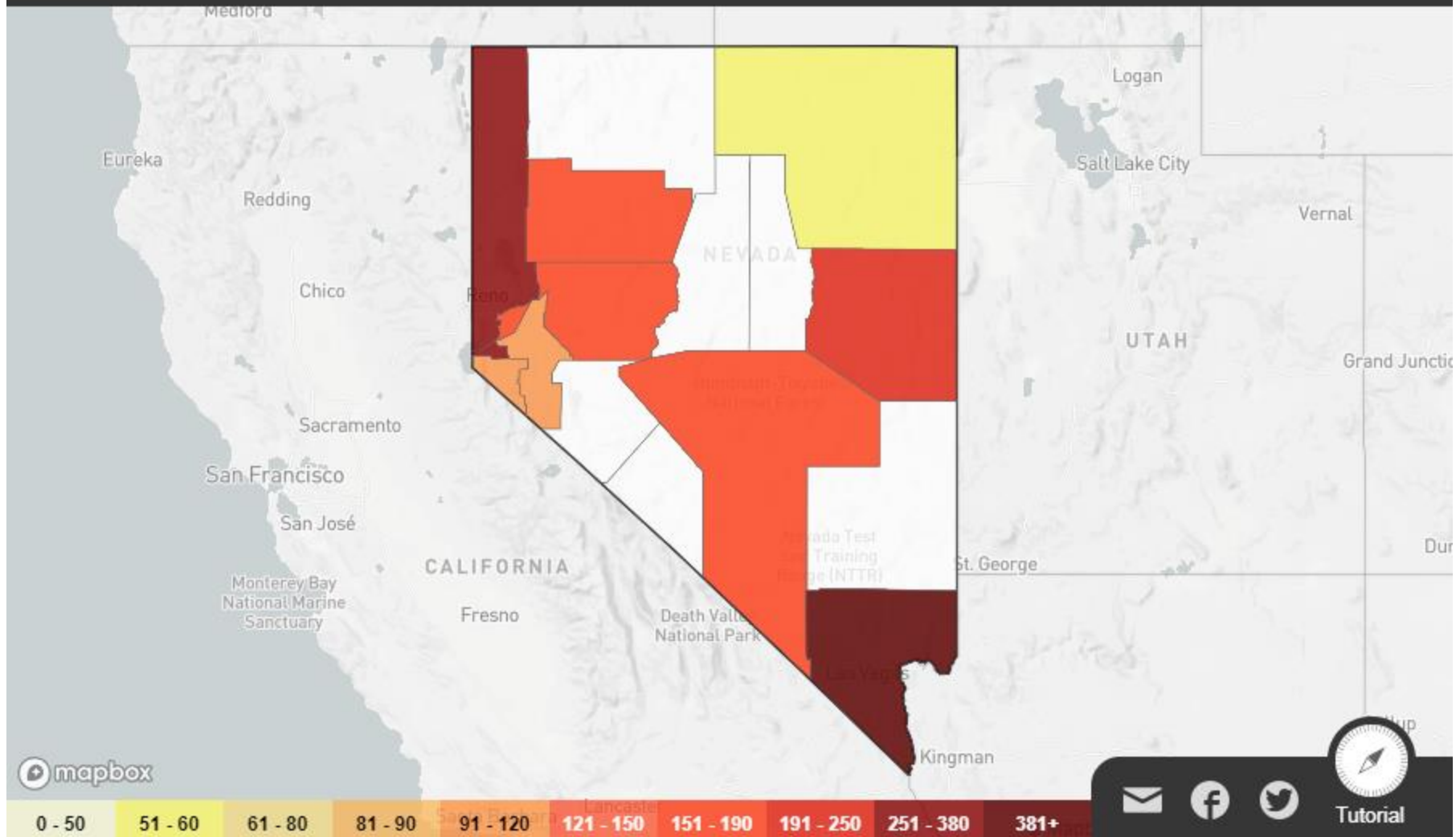
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<https://aidsvu.org/>





## Rates of Persons Living with HIV, 2015







Type in ONE WORD to describe  
what YOUR PLEDGE  
is to END HIV in NEVADA





Thank You!

Questions?