

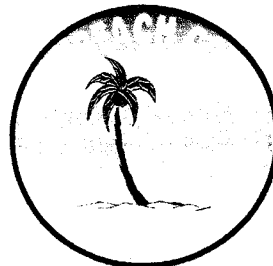
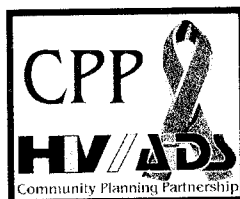
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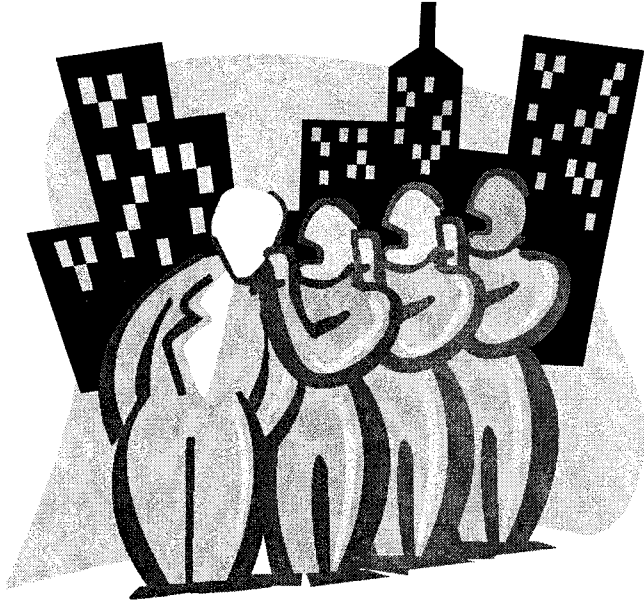
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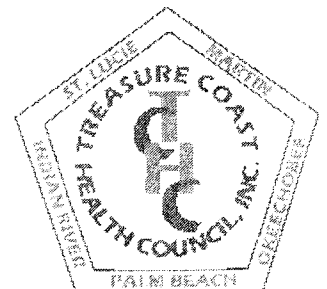
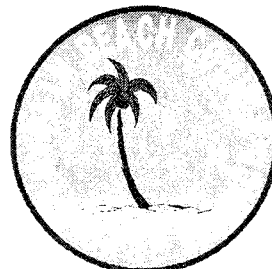
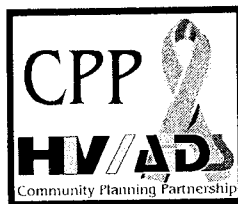
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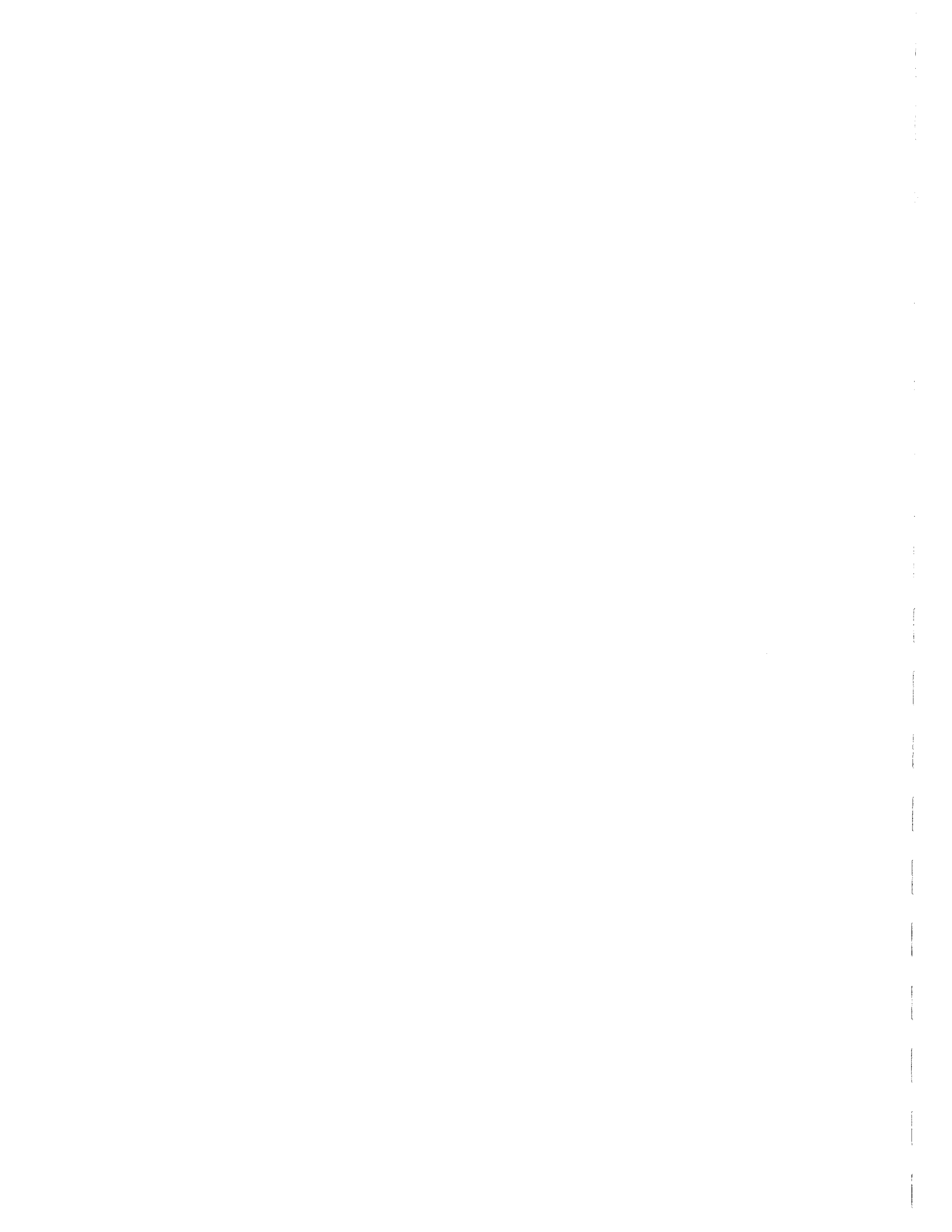


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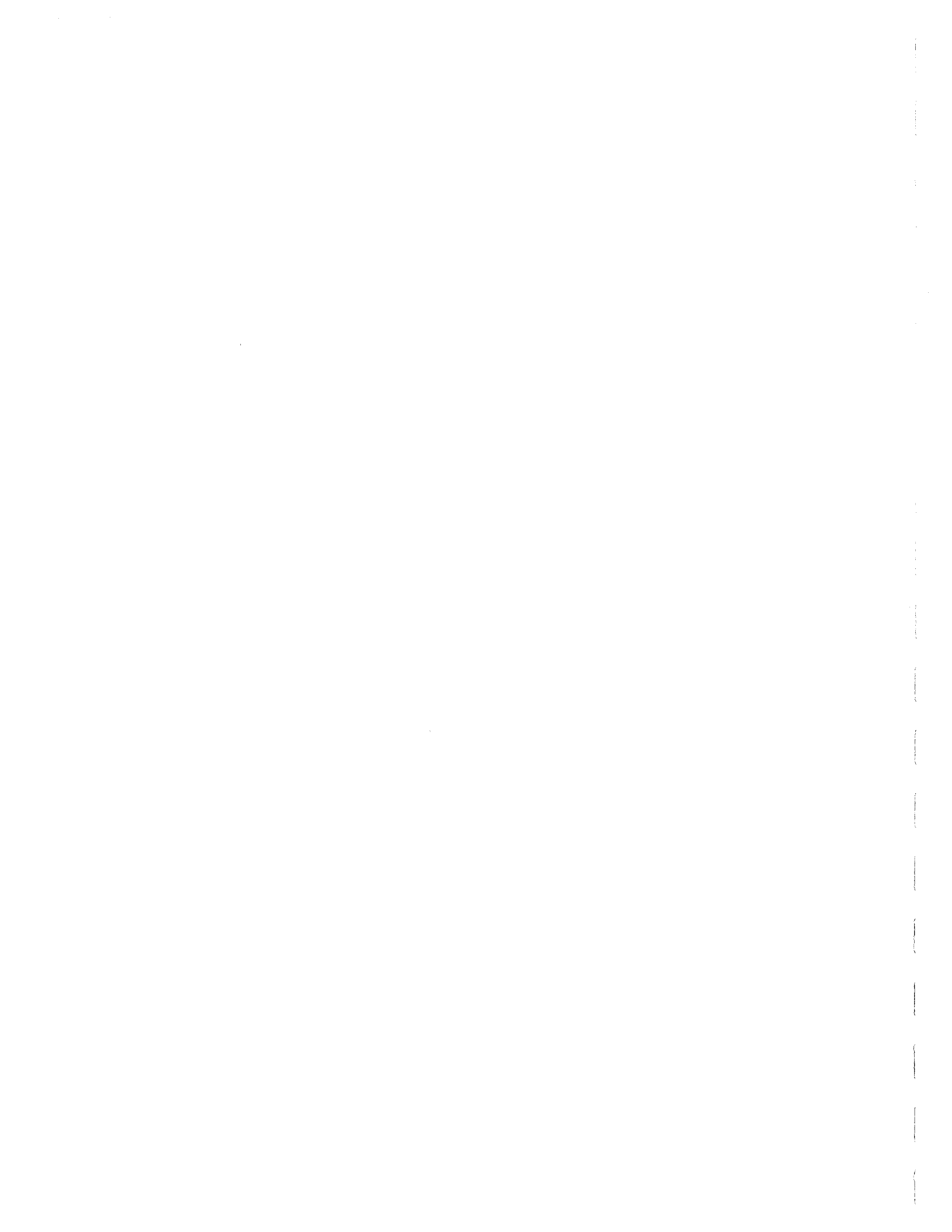
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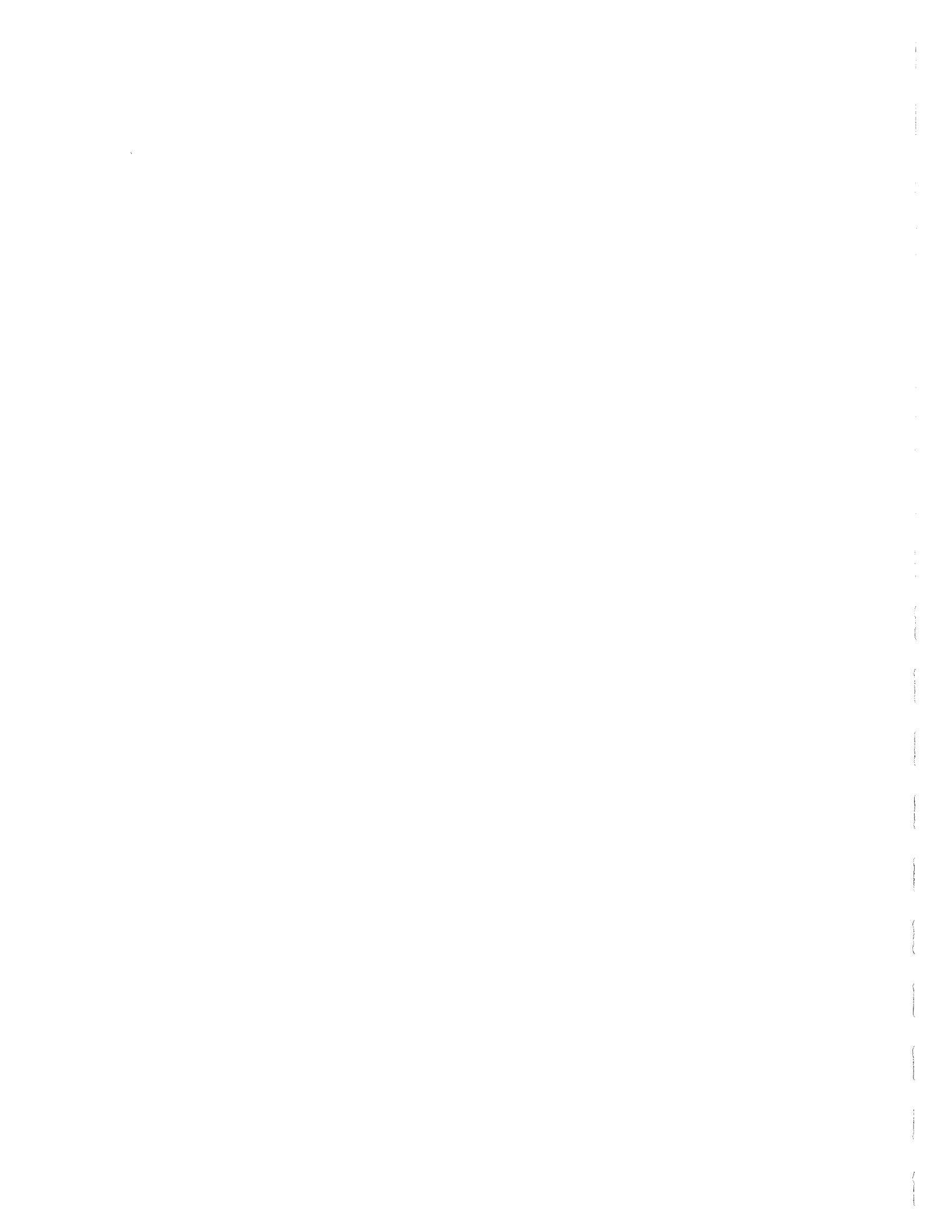
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## I. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In our continuing effort to develop a comprehensive HIV/AIDS prevention and care plan, the Palm Beach County HIV/AIDS Community Planning Partnership (CPP) and the Palm Beach County HIV CARE Council (CARE Council) embarked upon a joint study of Black Heterosexual Males and Black Heterosexual Females in Palm Beach County.

The Chairs of the CARE Council and the CPP provided strong leadership as they guided this project through their respective groups. The CARE Council Planner and the CPP Coordinator worked together to plan, train the data collectors, implement data collection protocols, analyze data, and write the final report. CARE Council members, CPP members, and other members of Palm Beach County's Black community served as survey interviewers. The results were outstanding –a response rate of 100% with relatively few unanswered questions on a 375-item survey. Data from this survey will be used to inform the CPP, the CARE Council, and the entire community with the ultimate goal of improving HIV prevention and patient care services for Blacks in Palm Beach County.

This report includes data analyses of particular relevance to HIV prevention. However, the data base contains approximately 400 elements and it is anticipated that additional analyses will focus more specifically on patient care issues and, of great importance, issues related to the intersect of HIV prevention and patient care.

Respondents were selected from five distinct geographic areas and zip codes (Riviera Beach, 33404; West Palm Beach 33401; Boynton Beach, 33435; Delray Beach, 33444, and Pahokee, 33476) in which HIV/AIDS is having a disproportionate impact on Blacks. Every attempt was made to select respondents so that a fairly equal number of respondents from each geographic area were in each of the following categories:

- Male
- Female
- Infected
- Affected
- General Public

Additionally, efforts were made to ensure representation of the ethnic and linguistic diversity of Blacks in Palm Beach County – especially by including African-Americans, Haitians, Jamaicans, and other Caribbean Islanders.

Findings of particular interest include:

- Overall, 19% identified their sexual orientation as other than heterosexual.
- Less than half (49%) of those who indicated they were HIV positive, were receiving HIV-related services.
- Fewer than half (48.6%) of respondents indicated they always use a condom when they have sex with a casual partner.
- 35 (46%) of respondents are having sex with regular and casual partners, and that 18 (24%) of respondents have sex with regular and casual partners and use condoms less than all the time.
- The three most frequently cited reason for not using a condom were, “do not like”, “not available”, and “partner does not like”. Some respondents cited more than one reason.
- Thirteen (17.3%) indicated that the reason they don’t use condoms is that they are high (on drugs).
- Tobacco is the most frequently used substance, followed by alcohol and marijuana. However, daily usage of the various forms of stimulants (excluding tobacco; while including cocaine, crack, crystal meth, and speedball) is equal to the daily usage and exceeds the weekly usage of marijuana.
- The most frequently mentioned source of information about HIV/AIDS and HIV/AIDS services was “doctor”, followed by “friend”, “TV/radio”, “reading materials”, and “community”. Notably, “HIV services provider” was the second least frequently mentioned source of information about HIV or HIV services.
- 40% of HIV positive respondents missed at least one medical appointment in the past year due to transportation problems.
- All the survey respondents who indicated they used Palm Tran or Palm Tran Connection (n=13, 17.3%) were HIV positive.
- Less than a third (n=11, 31.4%) of HIV positive respondents indicated they received psychiatric treatment since being diagnosed with HIV and only 25.7% indicated they received mental health or substance abuse treatment.

## II. INTRODUCTION

State and federal systems which address HIV/AIDS were developed primarily to meet the needs of white homosexual males and have not adequately addressed the different and special needs of women, children and minorities (Aday, Pounds, Marconi, & Bowen, 1999). Increasingly, we have come to recognize that HIV prevention and patient care needs vary across race, age, ethnicity, and gender lines (Fleishman, Mor, & Laliberte, 2001). This study attempts to describe some of the factors affecting Black males and Black females in Palm Beach County so that more effective HIV prevention and treatment services can be provided for this vulnerable population.

Throughout the State of Florida and Palm Beach County, data indicate that at least up to 2002, the prevalence of AIDS and the incidence of HIV among white homosexual males has lessened while the greatest increases in both AIDS prevalence and HIV incidence occurs among minorities, particularly, among the Black populace (HIV/AIDS Surveillance Reports: HARS, State of Florida Department of Epidemiological Reports, Tallahassee, Florida, March, 4, 2002).

In the United States as a whole, the rate of HIV infection is two and one half times higher among Hispanics than among non-Hispanic Whites (Diaz, 1999). HIV and AIDS also disproportionately affect blacks. Cowart (1998), estimates that 32 % of all AIDS cases nationally are now female; roughly 1% are children under 13 years of age; and 49% to 52% are “non-Caucasian.” Further, Cowart (1998), noted that the prevalence and incidence of AIDS and HIV in Florida is significantly higher than national averages for both females and Blacks. In Florida, “...AIDS is no longer a gay, white disease” (Cowart, 1998). Specific Palm Beach County Epidemiological data will be presented in the next paragraph, which will serve to illustrate the broad constructs outlined in this section.

The State of Florida Department of Health: HIV/AIDS Surveillance (2002) provides an HIV prevalence estimate for Palm Beach County that suggests a plausible range of between 2,400 and 5,400 with a mid- point estimate of 3,900. Current CDC estimates that Palm Beach County has a plausible range of between 5,500 and 10,300 live cases of HIV/AIDS and a mid-point of 7,900 persons presumed to be living with HIV/AIDS. If the State of Florida-modeled HIV prevalence estimate of 3,900 is added to the CDC'S AIDS prevalence of 3,400 for Palm Beach County, the minimum number of persons with HIV (including those unaware of their infection) is 7,300 or close to the CDC-generated mid-point estimate of 7,900 persons living with HIV/AIDS. According to CDC calculations, the mid-point estimate for HIV/AIDS prevalence includes 3,745 live AIDS cases and 1,707 live HIV cases. Adding the total of live AIDS cases (n=3,745) and live HIV cases (n=1,707), for a total (n=5452), and computing an additional thirty percent (n=1,635.6) for unknowns and an additional twelve percent (n=654.2) for unreported cases, equals a grand total of (N=7739.8) close to the originally forecasted calculation of 7,900 provided by CDC. This reflects the prediction models referenced by CDC and authored by Karon and Rosenberg (JAMA, 1996).

Based on the aforementioned mid-point estimate of 7,900 and a 2000 census population estimate of 1,131,184, the State of Florida Bureau of HIV/AIDS estimates that Palm Beach County has an HIV/AIDS prevalence rate of 766 presumed to be living with HIV/AIDS per 100,000 residents. This is higher than the State of Florida prevalence rate for live HIV/AIDS per 100,000 residents of 548 and the United States HIV/AIDS prevalence rate for presumed living of 287 per 100,000.

A recent CDC publication (HIV/AIDS Quarterly Surveillance Report: CDC March, 2002) states that Palm Beach County ranks fourth in the U.S. relative to live AIDS cases per 100,000 residents; Miami ranks first, with 60.1 live AIDS per 100,000; N.Y.C. ranks second, with 52.2 live AIDS per 100,000; Broward ranks third, with 49.4 live AIDS per 100,000; and Palm Beach County ranks fourth with 43 live AIDS cases per 100,000 residents.

Karon and Rosenberg (1996), suggest that 1 in 333 Americans are living with HIV/AIDS. Florida Department of Health HIV/AIDS Surveillance (1998) estimates that 1 in 156 Floridians are HIV/AIDS infected. The State of Florida Bureau of HIV/AIDS Surveillance, states that 1 in 143 residents of Palm Beach County are now living with HIV-spectrum disease. Overall, 1 in 286 Whites, 1 in 50 Blacks, and 1 in 127 Hispanics are living with HIV/AIDS in Florida.

Recent data suggest that in Palm Beach County, HIV/AIDS disproportionately impacts women, people of color and heterosexuals, while White men who have sex with men and injection drug users are a less significant proportion of recently diagnosed cases as follows:

- Women account for 33% of the presumed living cases of AIDS through September 20, 2000 (AIDS prevalence).
- Women account for 34% of the recent AIDS cases in the past two years (AIDS Incidence).
- Women account for 47% of the HIV cumulative incidence cases (corresponds to HIV prevalence) as of September 30, 2000.
- Injection drug users account for 11% of the cumulative presumed live cases of AIDS as of September 30, 2000.
- Injection drug users account for 8% of recent AIDS reports for the past two years, and 6% of HIV cases through September 30, 2000.

In Palm Beach County, Blacks (collapsing African Americans with Haitians, Jamaicans and all Caribbean Islanders) continue to account for an increasingly large proportion of the epidemic. Through March 2002 in Palm Beach County, blacks account for a majority of cumulative (live and deceased) HIV and AIDS cases as follows:

- Black males account for 60.2% of cumulative male HIV cases.
- Black females account for 78.7% of cumulative female HIV cases.
- Blacks males and females) account for 63.6% of all (male and female) cumulative AIDS cases.
- Black males account for 56% of cumulative male AIDS cases.
- Black females account for 81.3% of cumulative female AIDS cases.



**Cumulative Number of Black HIV Cases in Palm Beach County, Through March 2002**

Gender	Black Cases	Percentage of Total (Male or Female) Cases	Total (Male & Female) Cases
Male	635	60.2%	1,054
Female	700	78.7%	890
Total	1,335	68.7%	1,944

Notably, Blacks account for a total of 65% of the living AIDS cases in Palm Beach County, 73% of the cases diagnosed in the past two years, and 70% of the live AIDS cases through September 30, 2000.

**Cumulative Number of Black AIDS Cases in Palm Beach County, Through March 2002**

Gender	Black Cases	Percentage of Total (Male or Female) Cases	Total Cases
Male	3,275	56.0%	5,847
Female	2,035	81.3%	2,504
Total	5,310	63.6%	8,351

Source: Florida Department of Health, March 2002

As summarized in the following table, "Heterosexual Contact" is the single largest HIV/AIDS exposure category for both Black males and females. This is in sharp contrast to white males, for whom "Heterosexual Contact" accounts for only 7% of the cumulative HIV cases among white males and 3.5% of the cumulative AIDS cases among white males in Palm Beach County.

HIV exposure by IV Drug Use is also a significant mode of transmission among Black males and females.

**Cumulative HIV and AIDS Cases (among Blacks in Palm Beach County) by Exposure Category and Sex Through March 2002**

Mode of Exposure	Male				Female			
	HIV		HIV		HIV		AIDS	
	Number of Cases	% of all black male cases	Number of Cases	% of all black male cases	Number of Cases	% of all black female cases	Number of Cases	% of all black female cases
Homo-Bi Male	93	14.6%	635	19.4%				
IV Drug User	25	3.9%	487	14.9%	32	4.6%	351	17.2%
Heterosexual Contact	309	48.7%	1235	37.7%	454	64.9%	1201	59.0%
Other	208	32.8%	918	28.0%	214	30.6%	483	23.7%
Total	635	100.0%	3275	100.0%	700	100.0%	2035	100.0%

Source: Florida Department of Health



### **III. IMPLICATIONS OF CHANGING DEMOGRAPHICS**

Changes in the demographics of HIV/AIDS have important implications for the delivery of services because HIV/AIDS is now affecting populations that are economically poorer and have fewer formal HIV care-giving support networks compared to the white homosexual community. It is generally recognized in the research literature that, overall, white homosexual males have been more affluent and better educated than many segments of the population. The white male homosexual community also has demonstrated its willingness to provide a high level of caregiver support for those who became infected with HIV disease. Ethnic minorities Living With HIV/AIDS not only are more likely to be of a lower socioeconomic status, but they also tend to view HIV/AIDS as especially stigmatic (Dunlop, Rothman, Condon, Parise-Reynolds, & Alonzo, 2000). Disclosure of HIV infection can result in family abandonment and community ostracism, leaving the person living with HIV/AIDS without support. Therefore, the changing demographics of HIV/AIDS sets the stage for a population of People Living with HIV/AIDS that is especially vulnerable and increasingly reliant on the public funding “system” for all forms of support. Additionally, as the needs of People Living with HIV/AIDS are likely to change over time, their service needs will also vary. Since changes in health status and service needs can occur very rapidly, it is important that a comprehensive system of services is readily available and culturally appropriate. (Smith, Knickman, & Oppenheimer, 2000).

Given the current demographic description of HIV/AIDS in Palm Beach County, and the recognition that, in general, health care and outcome disparities adversely affect Blacks, the Palm Beach County HIV/AIDS Community Planning Partnership and the Palm Beach County HIV CARE Council have initiated a joint needs assessment process to gain a better understanding of the Black population in Palm Beach County. It is hoped that this needs assessment will contribute towards the ultimate goal of providing more culturally appropriate and effective prevention and patient care services to Blacks in the area.



## IV. METHODOLOGY

### Design

This study utilized an interview survey design administered in the form of a questionnaire. Rather than requiring that respondents read and respond to questionnaires and enter their own answers, interviewers were trained to anticipate the need to read questions orally to participants and record their answers if necessary. Additionally, interviewers were trained to probe for responses if participants omitted an answer or answered inappropriately. The interviewer technique for administering this survey questionnaire produced a response rate of 100% and there were relatively few unanswered questions.

### Data Collection and Sampling

Because the target group is known to be relatively reticent about disclosing information relevant to the topic of HIV/AIDS (Denis, Wechsberg, McDermeita, Campbell & Raschc, 2001), clients were recruited using variants of convenience sampling (Carlson, Wang, Siegal, Falck, & Guo, 1994) combined with purposive sampling strategies. Ten (10) members, combined, from the CPP and the Palm Beach County HIV CARE Council, were selected from within their respective committees for their ethnographic expertise of HIV/AIDS relative to their neighborhoods. The ten (10) data collectors were trained in face-to-face survey interviewing techniques and selection criteria of the study participants. Data collectors received \$10.00 for each completed survey questionnaire. Selection criteria included choosing five (5) infected individuals from each site; five (5) affected or care-giver individuals from each site; and five (5) members of the general population from within their neighborhood site. The five data collection sites were chosen by selecting the five highest zip code ranked areas for HIV incidence (from mid-1997 to 2001) in Palm Beach County and then further selecting from within each zip code a smaller "hot zone" determined by the CPP and Palm Beach HIV CARE Council committees.

The sample of 75 Black people was drawn from Riviera Beach, West Palm Beach, Boynton Beach, Delray Beach, and Pahokee, Florida, between January 2002 and February 2002. Data collectors recruited fifteen (15) participants from each site in the manner described above for a total N of 75. After completing the survey, participants received a \$20.00 gift certificate.

### Sample Characteristics

Demographically, the sample of Black participants (N=75), was predominantly female (n=40, 53%), heterosexual (n=61, 81%), between 30-to-49 years of age (n= 41, 55%), received some high school (n=34, 45%), were single and never married (n=30, 40%), and

35 study participants or 47 percent indicated that they were infected with HIV. Sample demographics are presented in greater depth in the following section of the report.

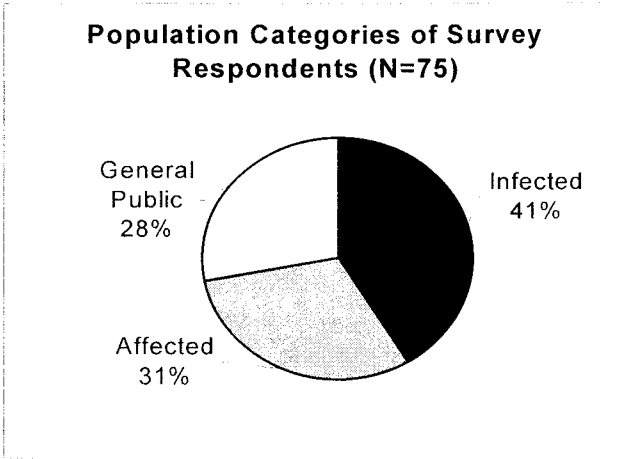
## Instrumentation

Data were collected using a 375-item survey instrument constructed to collect information relating to HIV/AIDS and substance abuse, mental health, co-morbidities for HIV/AIDS, transportation, housing, medical services, social services, and case management. Additionally, issues relating to being “in care” in relation to access to services and utilization of services were explored. There was an extensive sociodemographic section, which aimed at gathering information on variables such as education, income, age, race, and marital status. The survey took about 45 minutes to complete and was pretested on individuals similar to survey respondents.

## Data Analyses

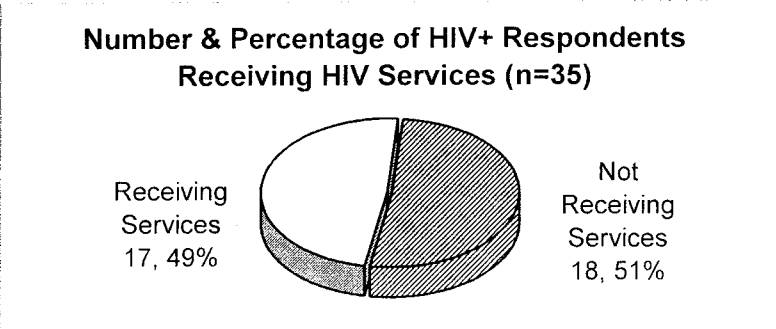
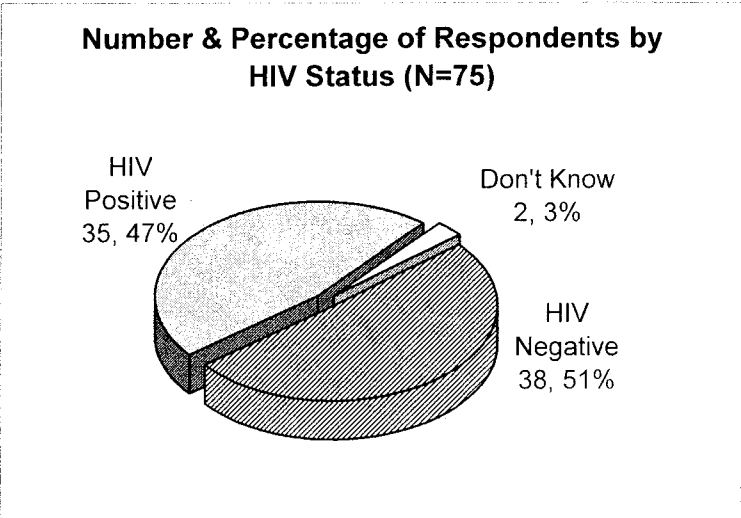
All analyses were performed on SPSS 10.05. Frequencies and percentages were calculated on all scale items and cross-tabs were computed between selected variables to explain relationships between survey items.

## V. KEY FINDINGS



Data collectors attempted to identify and survey approximately equal numbers of infected, affected, and the general public. Based on the initial “best guess” of a person’s status, infected respondents accounted for more than a third (41%) of all respondents, while the affected and general public accounted for 31% and 28%, respectively.

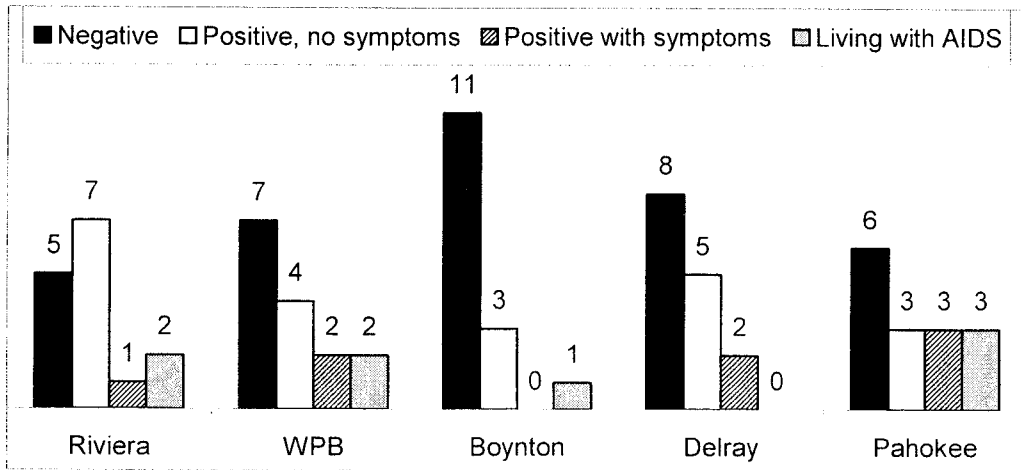
However, further analysis of answers to specific survey questions showed that 47% of all respondents were HIV positive. Notably, less than half (49%) of those who indicated they are HIV positive, were receiving HIV-related services.



Although the data collectors were successful in interviewing an equal number of respondents (15) from each site, the distribution of HIV/AIDS status varied among the sites.

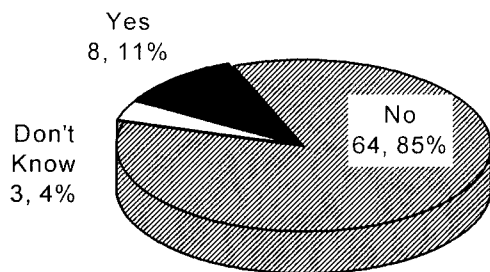
**HIV/AIDS Status of Respondents by Site (N=75)**

Status	Site					Total
	Riviera	WPB	Boynton	Delray	Pahokee	
Negative	5	7	11	8	6	37
Positive, no symptoms	7	4	3	5	3	22
Positive with symptoms	1	2	0	2	3	8
Living with AIDS	2	2	1	0	3	8
Total	15	15	15	15	15	75



Riviera Beach was the only area in which the largest number and percentage of respondents was HIV positive with no symptoms. In all other areas, HIV negative was the largest group, followed by HIV negative with no symptoms. Boynton Beach had the highest number (n=11) and percentage (73%) of HIV negative respondents; the lowest number (0) and percentage (0%) of HIV positive with symptoms respondents and living with AIDS respondents (n=1, 7%) respondents of all four sites. Pahokee had the largest number of respondents who indicated they were HIV positive with symptoms or living with AIDS.

**Number & Percentage of Respondents Living with AIDS (N=75)**

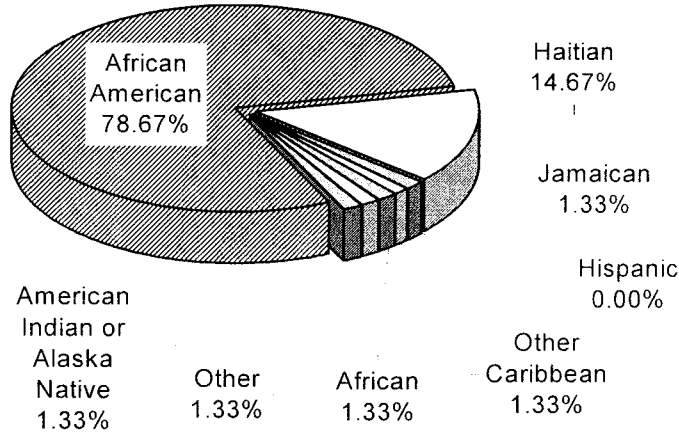


While 8 (11%) of respondents indicated they were HIV positive with symptoms or living with AIDS.

While 8 (11%) of respondents indicated they are Living with AIDS, 64 (85%) indicated they are not living with AIDS and 3 (4%) indicated they didn't know whether they were or not.



**Percentage of Respondents by Race/Ethnicity (N=75)**



Recognizing the diversity within the Black population in Palm Beach County, an effort was made to include as many ethnicities as possible in this study. The largest group (59, 80%) of respondents was African American, followed by Haitians (n=11, 15%).

**Ethnicity of Survey Respondents**

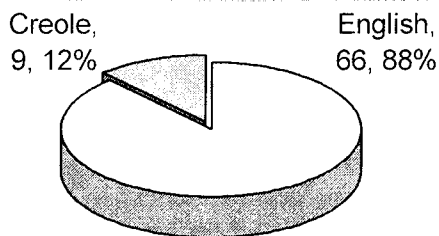
Ethnicity	Respondents	
	Number	Percentage
American Indian or Alaska Native	1	1.33%
African American	59	78.67%
Haitian	11	14.67%
Hispanic	0	0.00%
Jamaican	1	1.33%
Other Caribbean	1	1.33%
African	1	1.33%
Other	1	1.33%
Total	75	100.00%

A total of 13 (17.3%) respondents identified as Haitian, Jamaican, or other Caribbean. The unique linguistic and cultural features of each of these populations should be considered when developing and implementing HIV prevention and patient care services.

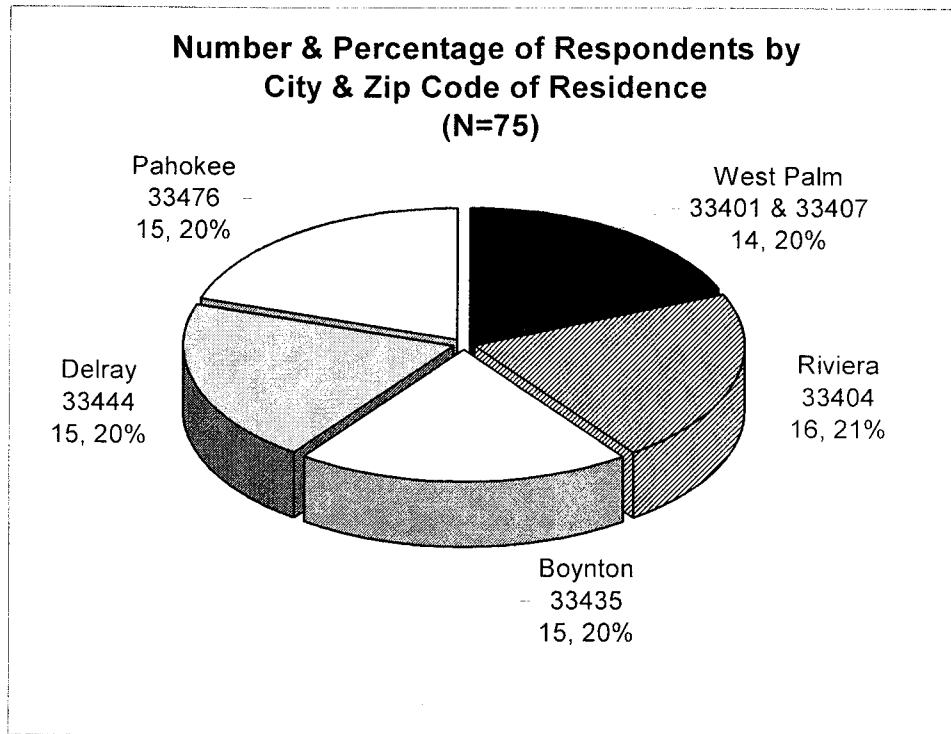
**Preferred Language of Respondents (N=75)**

Language	Number	Percentage
English	66	88.0%
Creole	9	12.0%
Total	75	100.0%

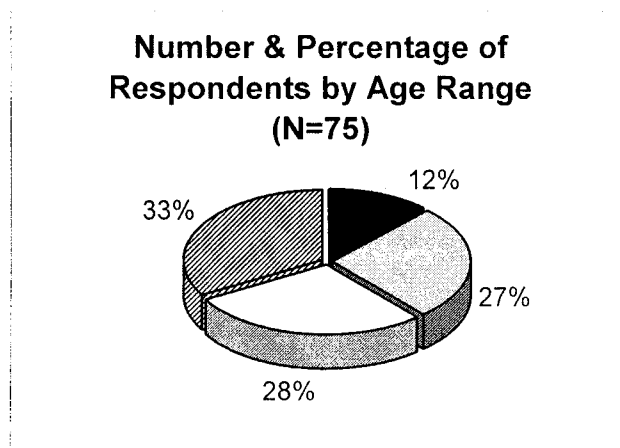
While 88% (n=66) of respondents indicated their preferred language is "English", 12% (n=9) identified "Creole" as their preferred language.



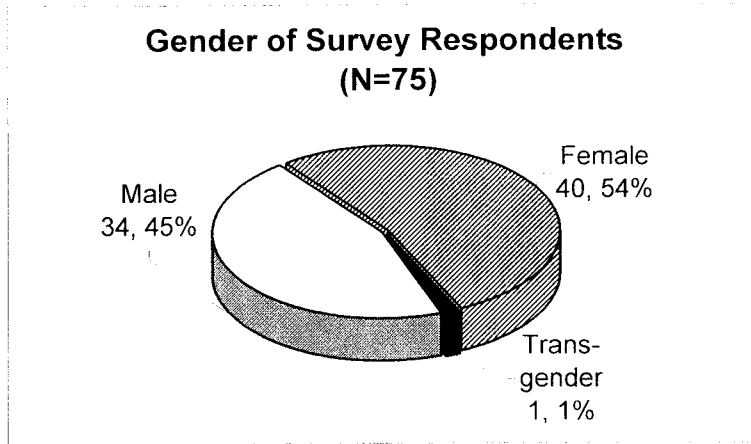
Five zip code areas with relatively high rates of recent HIV infections were targeted in this study. Two of these areas (Pahokee in the rural western area and Boynton Beach in the southern coastal area north of Delray Beach) had not been surveyed at all - at least not in recent years.



The largest age range was comprised of respondents over the age of 49. 49% were under age 40 and 51 percent were over the age of 40. Palm Beach County Health Department HIV Surveillance Data indicates that in Palm Beach County overall (all races and ethnicities), 24% of cumulative HIV cases are ages 20-29; 35% are ages 30-39; 22% are ages 40-49; and 14% are over age 49.

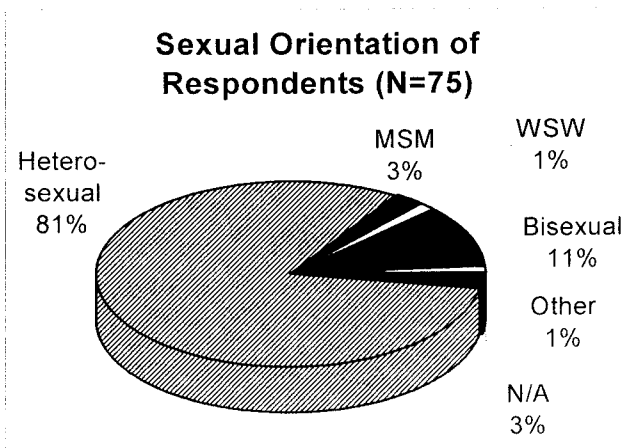


Females accounted for 54% of all respondents, while males accounted for 45%. 1% indicated they were transgendered. Although 54 % of respondents were female, none indicated they were pregnant.



In a separate survey question in which respondents were asked if they were transgendered, and if so, if they were transgendered male to female or female to male, eight (10.6%) respondents indicated they were transgendered, seven (87%) of whom indicated they were transgendered male to female. Further study is required to gain a better understanding of the knowledge, attitudes, beliefs, and behaviors of this group.

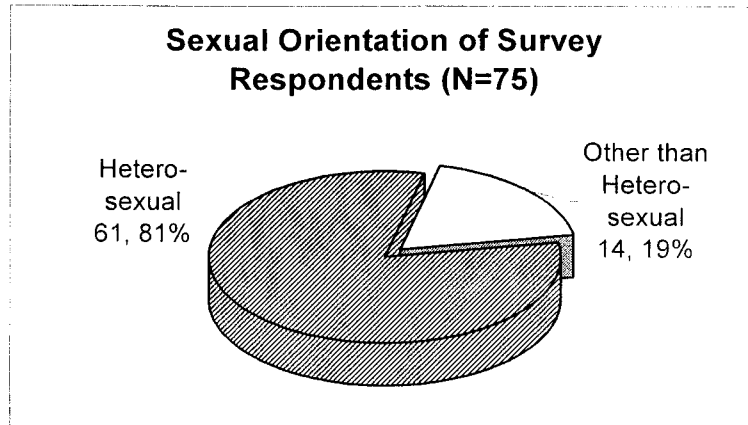
While 81.3% of respondents identified their sexual orientation as “heterosexual”, the second largest group (10.7%) identified themselves as “bisexual”, and 2.7% as “Men who have Sex with Men (MSM)”.



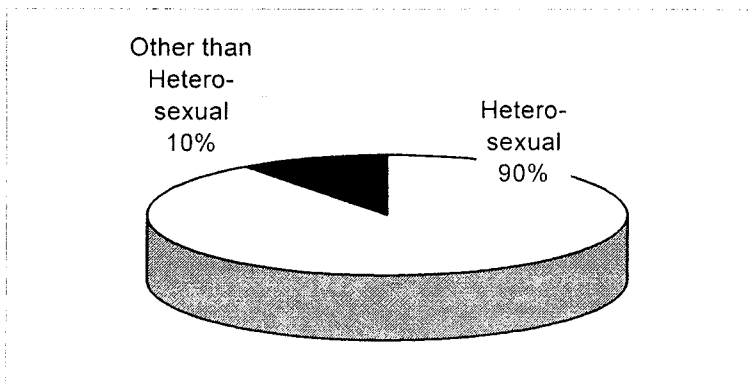
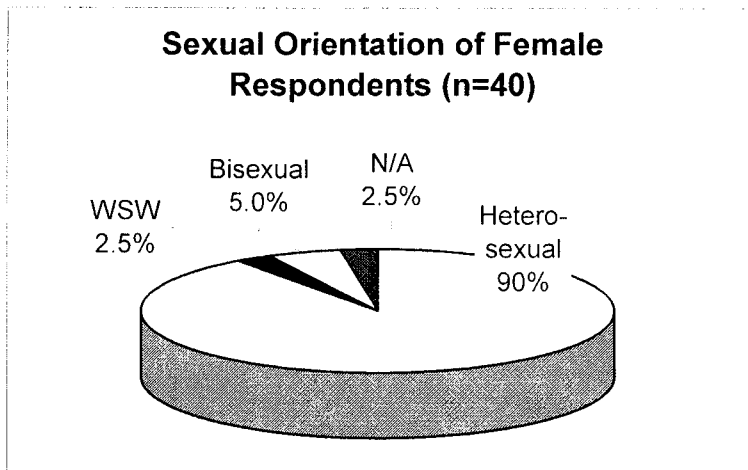
**Sexual Orientation of Respondents (n=75)**

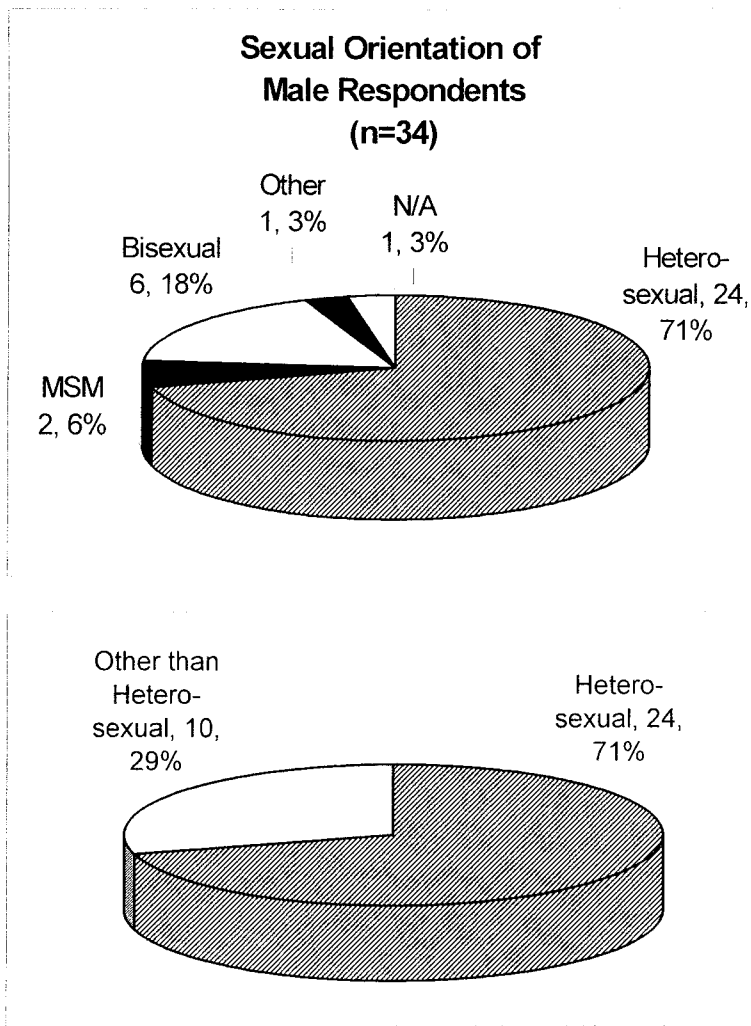
Sexual Orientation	Number	Percent
Heterosexual	61	81.3%
MSM	2	2.7%
WSW	1	1.3%
Bisexual	8	10.7%
Other	1	1.3%
N/A	2	2.7%
Total	75	100.0%

Overall, 19% identified their sexual orientation as other than heterosexual. Effective prevention and patient care services for this vulnerable segment of the population must be developed and implemented



Most females (n=36, 90%) identified themselves as heterosexual, while 4 (10%) identified themselves as other than heterosexual [Women Who Have Sex with Women (WSW, n=1), bisexual, n=2, and n/a, n=1].



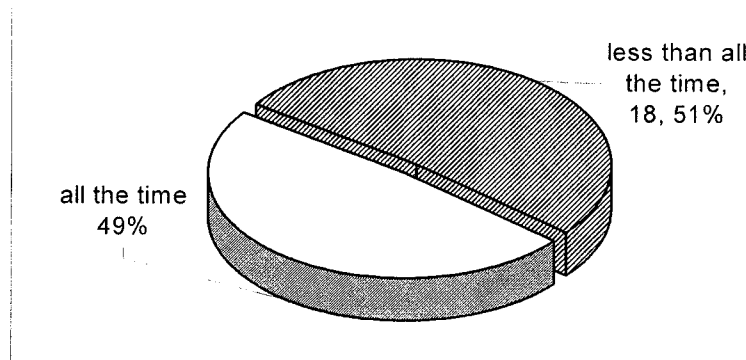
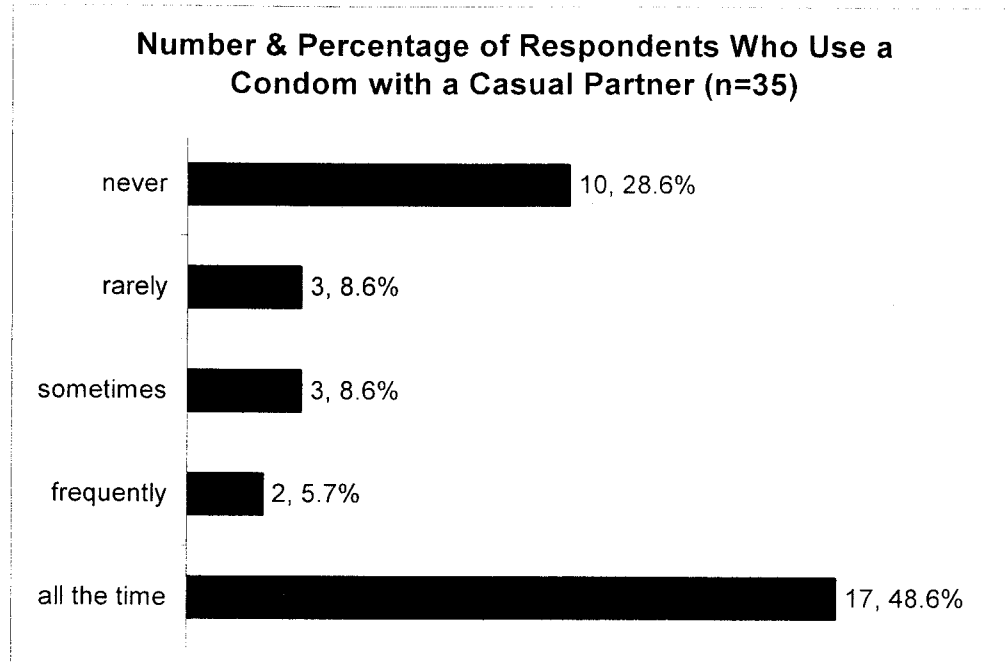


70.6% of all male respondents identified as heterosexual, 17.6% (n=6) indicated they were bisexual and 5.9% (n=2) indicated they were MSM.

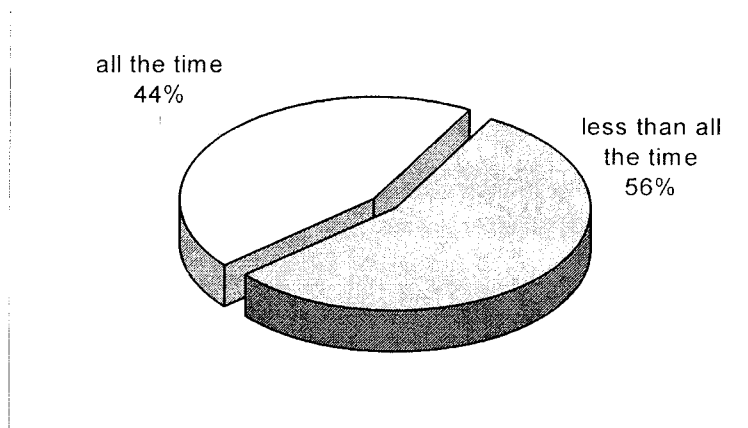
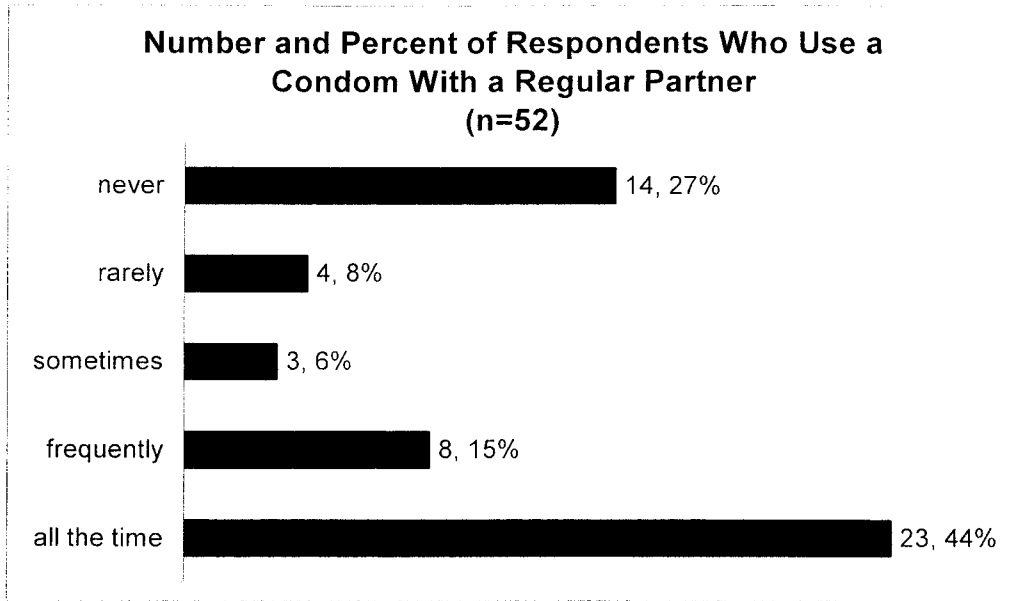
Of the eight respondents (10.7% of all respondents), who identified themselves as “bisexual”, six identified as “male” and two identified as “female”. Therefore, a total of eight males (six bisexual and two MSM) identified as other than heterosexual. This represents 23.5% of all male respondents having sex with men, most of whom (75%) also (presumably) are having sex with women. A total of 29% of the male respondents identified their sexual orientation as other than heterosexual.

Six males and two females indicated they were bisexual and HIV infected. This represents 17.6% of all male respondents and 100% of all (male, female, and transgendered) respondents who indicated they were bisexual.

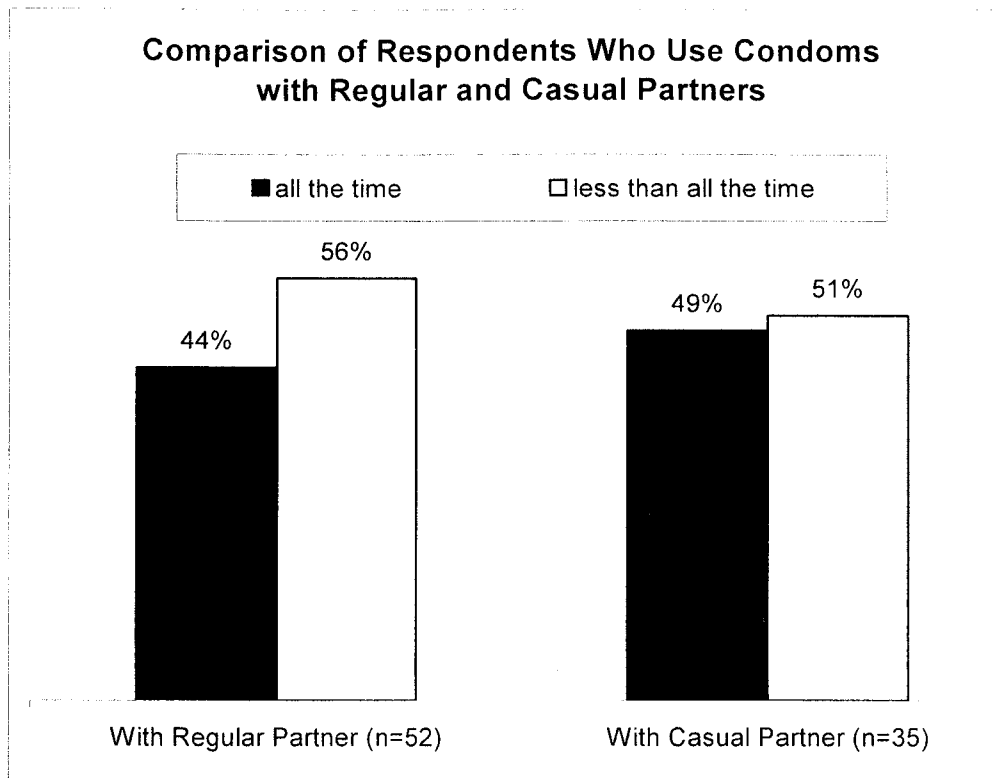
Fewer than half (48.6%) of respondents who indicated they had sex with a casual partner indicated they always use a condom when they have sex with a casual partner while nearly one third (28.6%) indicated they never use a condom.



Only 44% of respondents indicated they always use a condom when having sex with a regular partner.

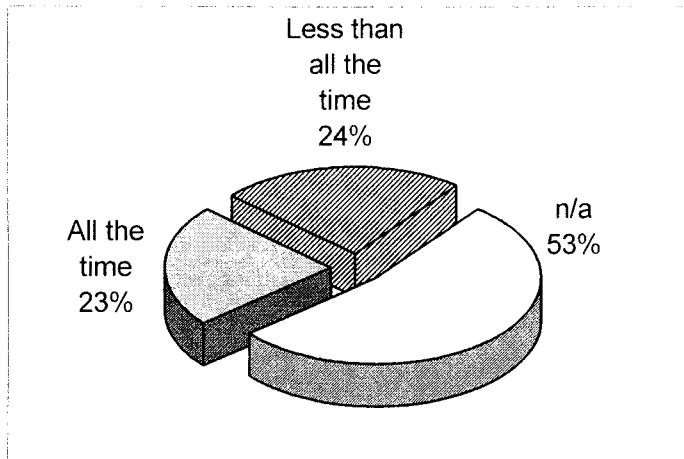


### Comparison of Respondents Who Use Condoms with Regular and Casual Partners



### Number & Percentage of Respondents Using A Condom with Regular & Casual Partners (N=75)

Condom Use	Number	Percentage
All the time	17	22.7%
Less than all the time	18	24.0%
n/a	40	53.3%
Total	75	100.0%



Although more respondents indicated they are having sex with a regular partner (n=52) than with a casual partner (n=35), the proportion of those having unprotected sex is similar.

Further analysis revealed that 35 (46%) of respondents are having sex with regular and casual partners, and that 18 (24%) of respondents have sex with regular and casual partners and use condoms less than all the time.



The following tables summarize the frequency of condom use by HIV negative respondents and HIV positive respondents with regular and casual partners.

As shown below, HIV negative and HIV positive respondents reported nearly equal rates (less than a third) of “all the time” condom use with regular partners. HIV negative respondents had somewhat higher rates of “all the time” condom use with casual partners (26.3% versus 20.0%).

HIV positive respondents reported condom use of “frequently”, “sometimes”, or “rarely” with a regular partner at nearly three times the rate of HIV negative respondents (and, with a casual partner, nearly six times the rate of HIV negative respondents).

**Use of Condom with a Regular Partner by HIV Status  
(N=75, HIV Negative=38, HIV Positive=35)**

HIV Status	all the time		frequently/ sometimes/ rarely		never		n/a		total	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
HIV Negative	12	31.6%	4	10.5%	9	23.7%	13	34.2%	38	100%
HIV Positive	11	31.4%	10	28.6%	4	11.4%	10	28.6%	35	100%

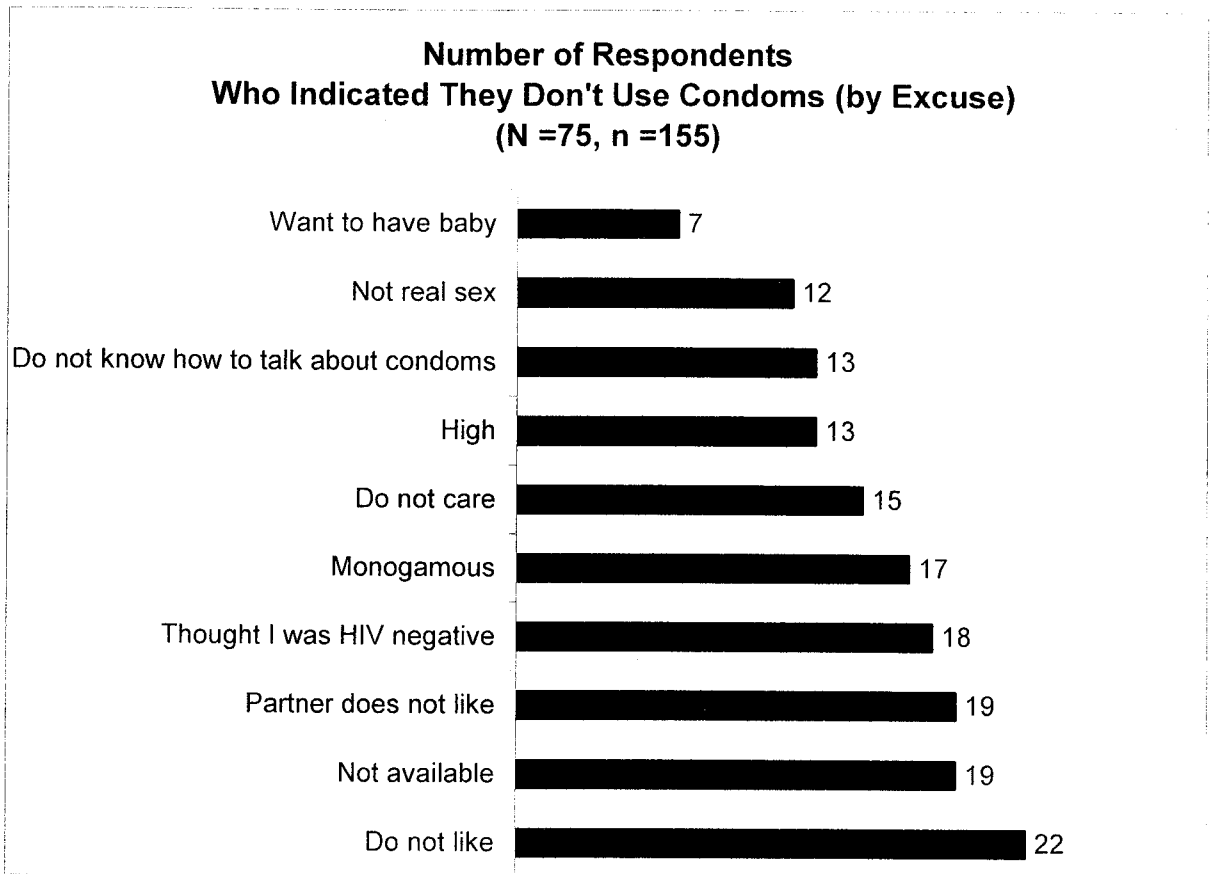
HIV Status	all the time		frequently/ sometimes/ rarely/never		n/a		total	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
HIV Negative	12	31.6%	13	34.2%	13	34.2%	38	100%
HIV Positive	11	31.4%	14	40.0%	10	28.6%	35	100%

**Use of Condom with a Casual Partner by HIV Status  
(N=75, HIV Negative=38, HIV Positive=35)**

HIV Status	all the time		frequently/ sometimes/ rarely		never		n/a		total	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
HIV Negative	10	26.3%	1	2.6%	7	18.4%	20	52.6%	38	100%
HIV Positive	7	20.0%	6	17.1%	2	5.7%	20	57.1%	35	100%

HIV Status	all the time		frequently/ sometimes/ rarely/never		n/a		total	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
HIV Negative	10	26.3%	8	21.1%	20	52.6%	38	100%
HIV Positive	7	20.0%	8	22.9%	20	57.1%	35	100%

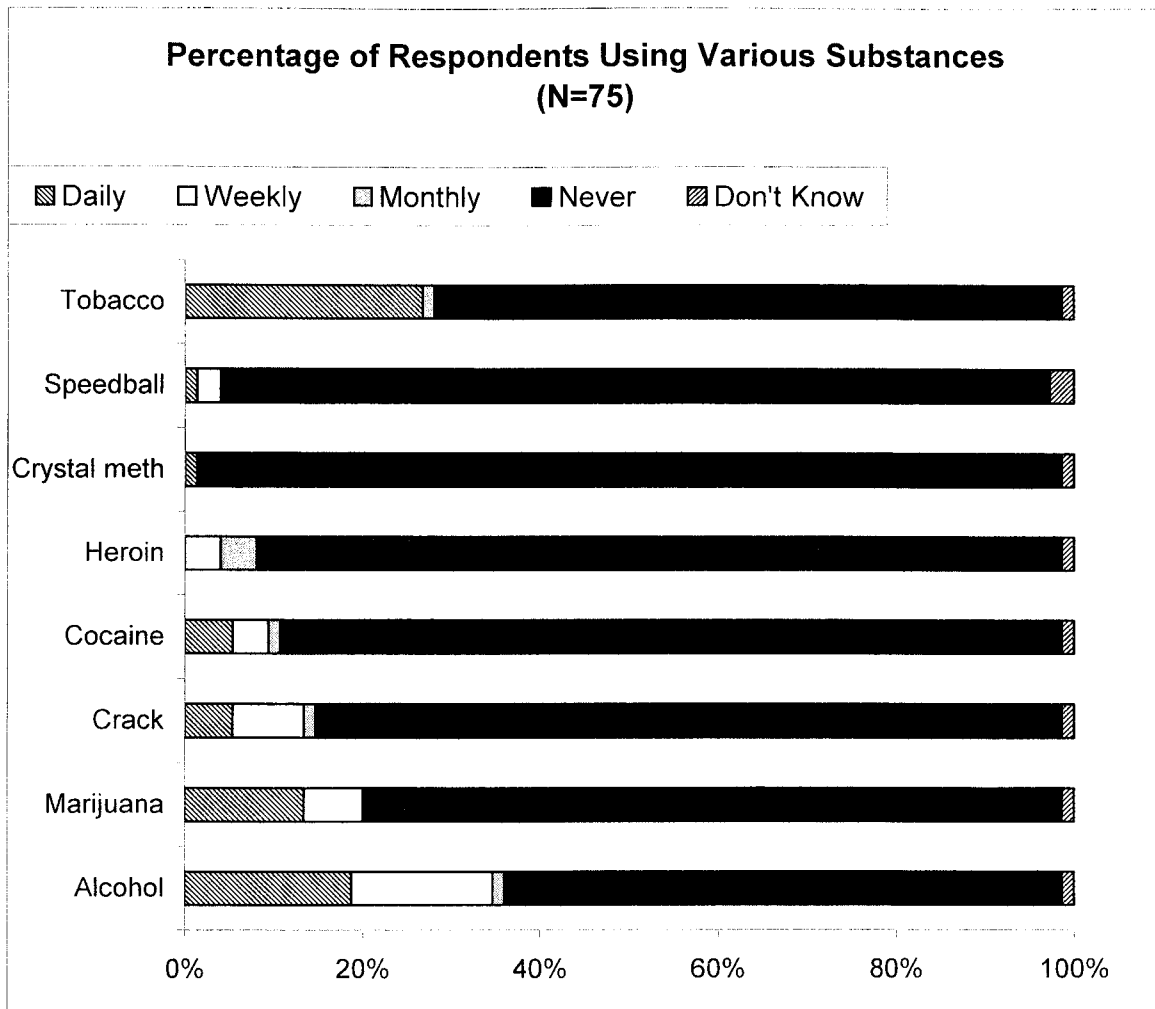
The three most frequently cited reason for not using a condom were, “do not like”, “not available”, and “partner does not like”. Thirteen (17.3%) indicated that the reason they don’t use condoms is that they are high (on drugs). Some respondents cited more than one reason.



Tobacco is the most frequently used substance, followed by alcohol and marijuana. However, daily usage of the various forms of stimulants (cocaine, crack, “crystal meth”, and speedball), is equal to the daily usage and exceeds the weekly usage of marijuana.

**Number of Respondents Using Various Substances by Frequency of Use (N=75)**

Substance	number of respondents by frequency of use					Total Respondents
	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Never	Don't Know	
Alcohol	14	12	1	47	1	75
Marijuana	10	5	0	59	1	75
Crack	4	6	1	63	1	75
Cocaine	4	3	1	66	1	75
Heroin	0	3	3	68	1	75
Crystal meth	1	0	0	73	1	75
Speedball	1	2	0	70	2	75
Tobacco	20	0	1	53	1	75



Further analyses are needed to evaluate the association between substance abuse and a variety of HIV risk behaviors in this population.

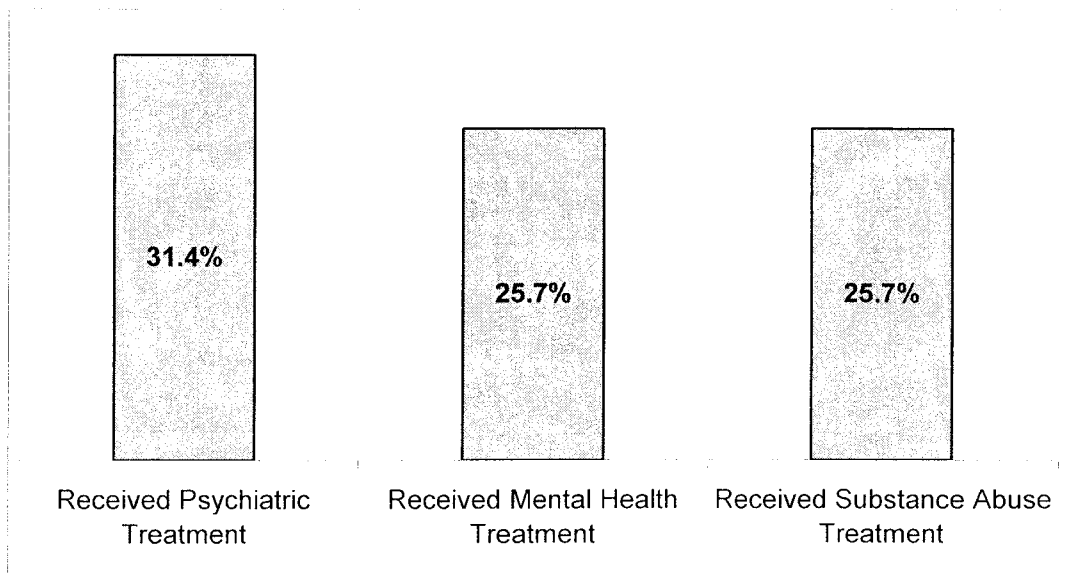
A separate question about intravenous drug use indicated the following:

- 11 respondents (15%) indicated they have injected drugs in the past.
- 4 (5%) indicated they are currently injecting drugs.
- 2 respondents indicated that they sometimes shared needles.
- 2 respondents indicated they sometimes clean needles.
- 5 said they never clean needles.
- 3 indicated they used bleach to clean needles.

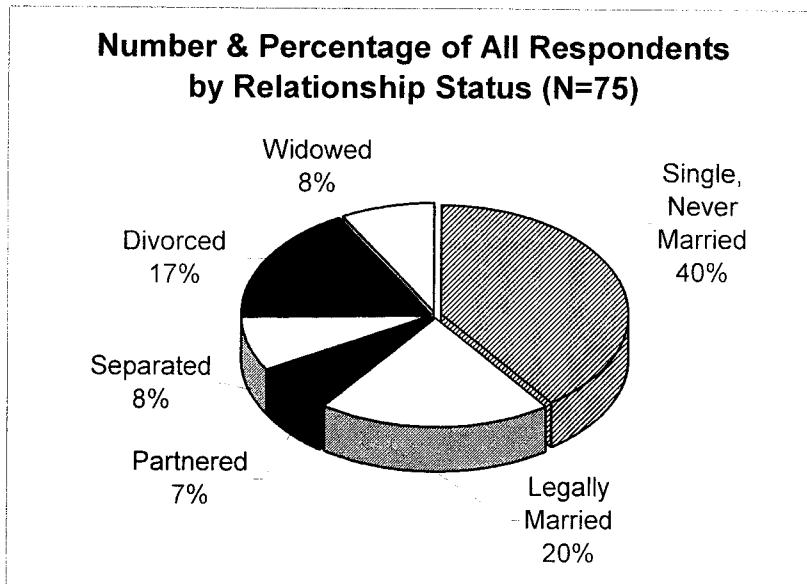
While substance abuse and mental health issues may contribute to HIV risk and impede effective HIV treatment, less than a third (n=11, 31.4%) of HIV positive respondents indicated they received psychiatric treatment since being diagnosed with HIV and only 25.7% indicated they received mental health or substance abuse treatment. Nearly twice as many respondents indicated the treatment was provided on an outpatient basis.

**Summary of HIV Positive Respondents Who Received Treatment Since HIV Diagnosis, by Type of Treatment (n=35)**

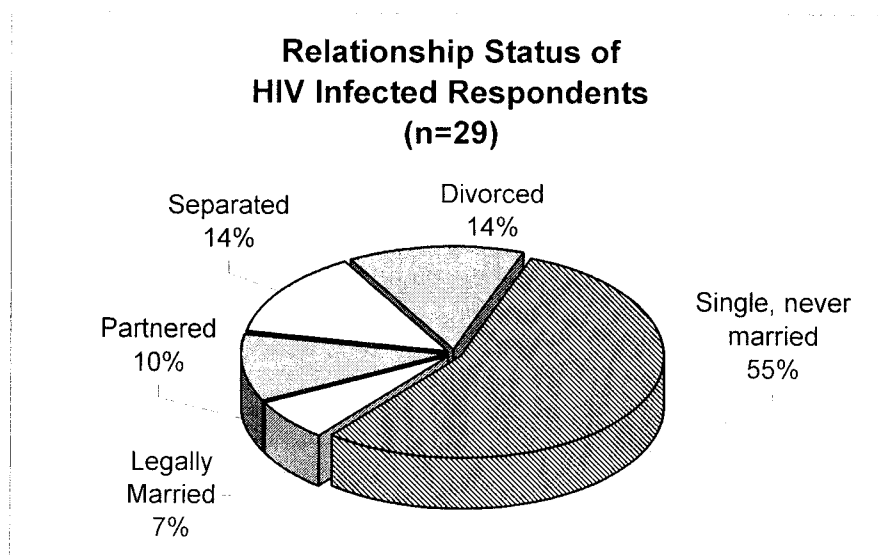
Psychiatric		Mental Health		Substance Abuse		Outpatient		Inpatient		Both	
#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
11	31.4%	9	25.7%	9	25.7%	9	25.7%	5	14.3%	1	2.9%



Single, never married (40%) was the largest group in this sample, followed by legally married (20%) and divorced (17%). Further analyses would be helpful in understanding the association between relationship status, income, HIV status (including health status of individuals who are HIV positive), and HIV risk behaviors.



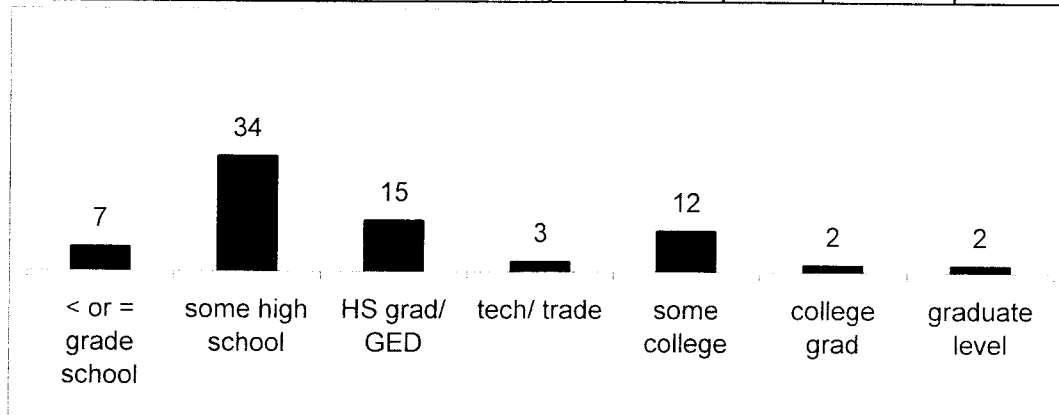
Overall, HIV infected respondents had a higher rate of being “single, never married” (55 percent) and a lower rate of being “legally married” (7 percent), than the respondents as a whole.



The highest educational level attained by respondents varied somewhat across sites. In general, the largest category across all four sites was “some high school”, accounting for 45.3% (n=34) of all respondents. Seven, (9.3%) had an educational level less than or equal to grade school. A total of 41 (54.7%) of respondents had an educational level of less than high school graduate/GED. Comprehensive information about HIV prevention and patient care should be provided to this vulnerable population in a broad range of educational, literacy, and learning style formats, including arts-based presentations and alternate media sources (e.g. radio and posters).

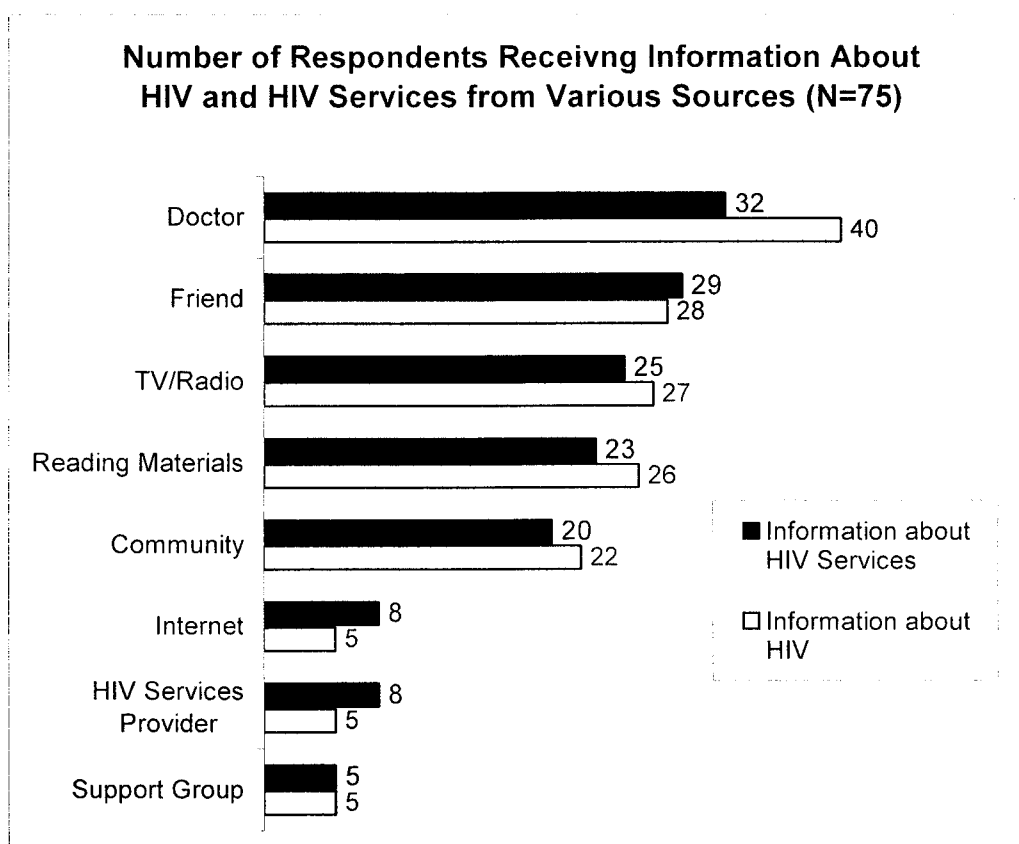
**Highest Educational Level Attained by Respondents (N=75)**

Area	< or = grade school	some high school	HS grad/ GED	tech/ trade	some college	college grad	graduate level	Total
Boynton Beach	2	5	5	1	1		1	15
Delray Beach	2	9	2		1	1		15
Pahokee	2	9	3		1			15
Riviera Beach	1	6	1	2	5			15
West Palm Beach		5	4		4	1	1	15
Total	7	34	15	3	12	2	2	75



The most frequently mentioned source of information about HIV and HIV services was “doctor”, followed by “friend”, “TV/radio”, “reading materials”, and “community”. Notably, “HIV services provider” was the second least frequently mentioned source of information about HIV or HIV services.

Given the literacy and educational gap between physicians and the majority of respondents, it is important that comprehensive HIV/AIDS information services be delivered via culturally and educationally appropriate materials.





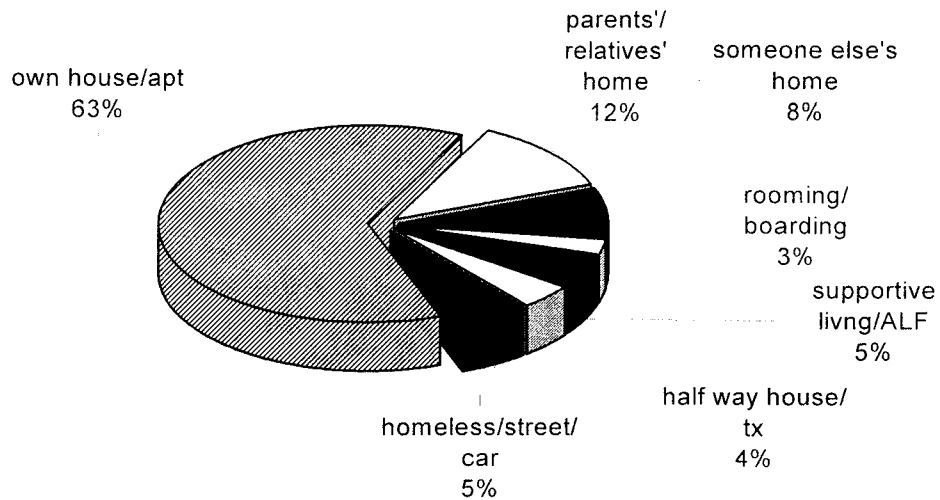
With or without HIV/AIDS, housing is a basic and universal need. However, among survey respondents, only 63 percent indicated they live in their own house or apartment. Another 12 percent live with their parents' or other relatives while 25 percent live in other housing.

Further analyses are necessary to thoroughly explore the relationship between adequate housing and HIV/AIDS prevention and treatment among Blacks in Palm Beach County.

**Current Residence of Survey Respondents (N=75)**

Residence	Number	Percentage
own house/apt	47	62.7%
parents'/relatives' home	9	12.0%
someone else's home	6	8.0%
rooming/boarding	2	2.7%
supportive livng/ALF	4	5.3%
half way house/ tx	3	4.0%
homeless/street/car	4	5.3%
Total	75	100.0%

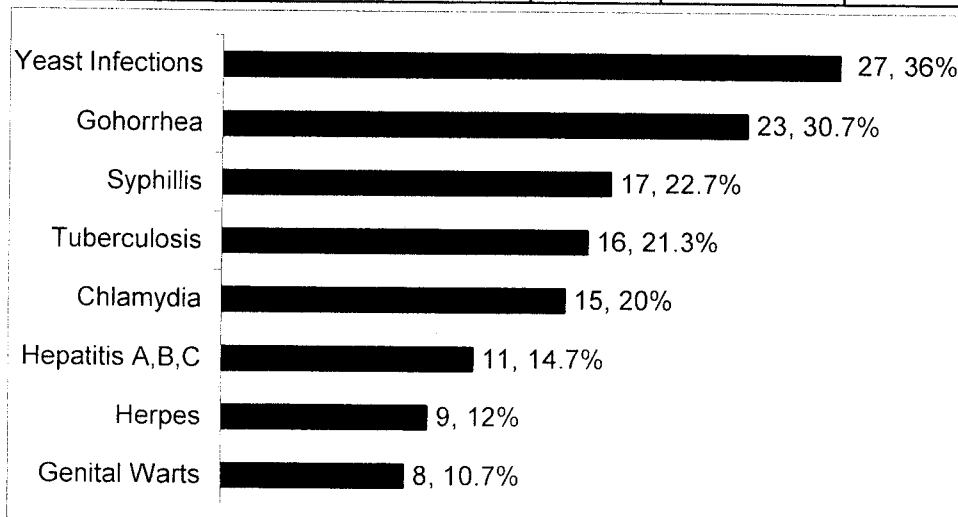
**Current Residence of Survey Respondents (N=75)**



Infection with any of the following diseases may increase susceptibility to HIV infection or complicate HIV/AIDS treatment. Twenty-seven (36%) of respondents indicated they had ever been diagnosed with one of the infectious diseases listed below. Some respondents indicated they had been diagnosed with more than one of these diseases. Of particular concern is the 22.7% of respondents who indicated they had been diagnosed with tuberculosis. Four (14.8%) of those diagnosed with TB were “active in treatment”, and one was “active no treatment”.

**Number & Percentage of Respondents Diagnosed  
With Other Specific Infectious Diseases (N=75)**

Other Diseases	Yes	Percent of Respondents	No	Don't Know/ Prefer Not to Answer	Total
Genital Warts	8	10.7%	65	2	75
Herpes	9	12.0%	65	1	75
Hepatitis A,B,C	11	14.7%	63	1	75
Chlamydia	15	20.0%	57	3	75
Tuberculosis	16	21.3%	56	3	75
Syphilis	17	22.7%	57	1	75
Gohorrhea	23	30.7%	50	2	75
Yeast Infections	27	36.0%	47	1	75



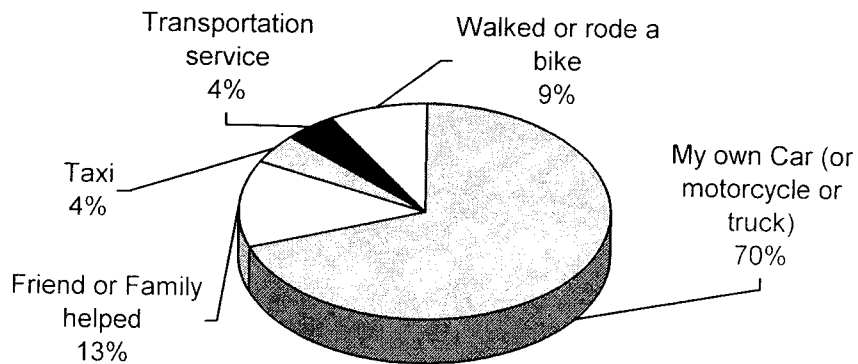
Lack of transportation is a common barrier to medical or other services appointments. When respondents were asked to identify all the means by which they traveled to their medical or other service appointments, the results showed some important differences between HIV positive and HIV negative respondents. Eleven (30 %) of the respondents who were HIV positive, indicated they used Palm Tran compared to 0 respondents who were HIV negative. 16 (70%) of respondents who were HIV negative indicated they used their own vehicle, while only 13 (35%) of respondents who were HIV positive used their own vehicle. While 13% of HIV negative respondents indicated they had help with transportation from a friend or family member, only 6% of HIV positive respondents indicated a friend or family member helped them.

**Transportation Utilized to Access Services During the Past Year (N=75)**

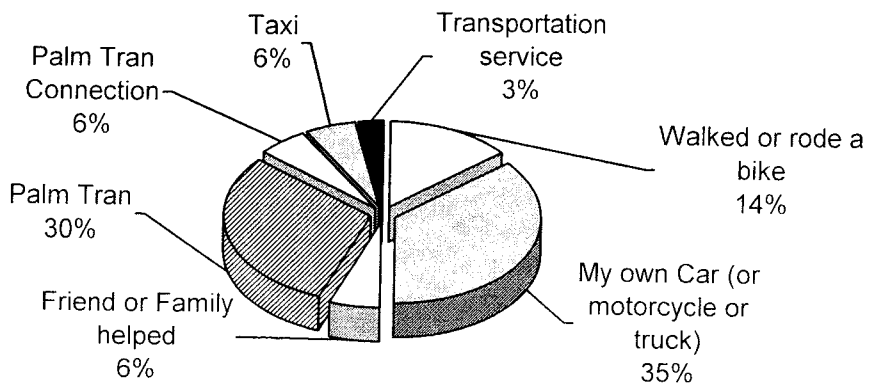
Transportation Utilized	HIV Status of Respondent		
	HIV Negative	HIV Positive	Don't Know
My own Car (or motorcycle or truck)	16	13	0
Rode with a friend or family member or borrowed their car (or motorcycle or truck)	3	2	1
Palm Tran	0	11	0
Palm Tran Connection	0	2	0
Taxi	1	2	0
Transportation service	1	1	0
Walked or rode a bike	2	5	0

**Comparison of Transportation Used by HIV Negative and HIV Positive Respondents to Access Services During the Past Year (N=75)**

**Transportation Used by HIV Negative Respondents**



**Transportation Used by HIV Positive Respondents**



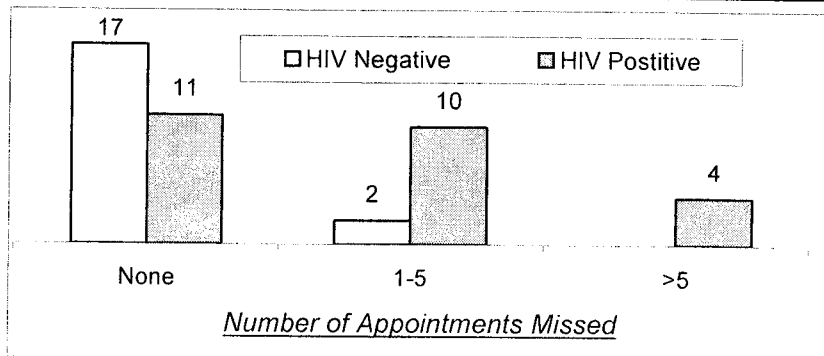
Respondents who indicated they were HIV positive missed more medical appointments than respondents who indicated they were HIV negative.

Fewer HIV positive respondents [11 (31%)] than HIV negative respondents [n=17 (44%)] indicated they missed any appointments at all.

While only 2 (5.7%) HIV negative respondents missed appointments, 14 (40%) of HIV positive respondents missed more than one.

### Medical Appointments Missed During Past Year Because of Transportation Problems

HIV Status	None	1-5	>5	n/a	Total
HIV Negative	17	2	0	19	38
HIV Positive	11	10	4	10	35
Don't Know	0	0	1	1	2
Total	28	12	5	30	75



Although this report provides an overall description of some of the factors influencing HIV/AIDS prevention and treatment among Blacks in Palm Beach County, it raises more questions than it answers. The CARE Council and the CPP hope that it inspires a continued commitment to understand and remedy the conditions that impede effective HIV/AIDS prevention and patient care services for this highly vulnerable population. While more analyses are needed to understand Blacks in Palm Beach County with regard to HIV/AIDS, some of the findings of particular interest include:

- Overall, 19% identified their sexual orientation as other than heterosexual.
- Less than half (49%) of those who indicated they were HIV positive, were receiving HIV-related services.
- Fewer than half (48.6%) of respondents indicated they always use a condom when they have sex with a casual partner.

- 35 (46%) of respondents are having sex with regular and casual partners, and that 18 (24%) of respondents have sex with regular and casual partners and use condoms less than all the time.
- Among HIV positive respondents, only 31.4% report using a condom “all the time” with a regular partner and only 20% report using a condom “all the time” with a casual partner.
- The three most frequently cited reason for not using a condom were, “do not like”, “not available”, and “partner does not like”. Some respondents cited more than one reason.
- Thirteen (17.3%) indicated that the reason they don’t use condoms is that they are high (on drugs).
- Tobacco is the most frequently used substance, followed by alcohol and marijuana. However, daily usage of the various forms of stimulants (tobacco; cocaine, crack, crystal meth, and speedball) is equal to the daily usage and exceeds the weekly usage of marijuana.
- The most frequently mentioned source of information about HIV and HIV services was “doctor”, followed by “friend”, “TV/radio”, “reading materials”, and “community”. Notably, “HIV services provider” was the second least frequently mentioned source of information about HIV or HIV services.
- 40% of HIV positive respondents missed at least one medical appointment in the past year due to transportation problems.
- All the survey respondents who indicated they used Palm Tran or Palm Tran Connection (n=13, 17.3%) were HIV positive.
- Less than a third (n=11, 31.4%) of HIV positive respondents indicated they received psychiatric treatment since being diagnosed with HIV and only 25.7% indicated they received mental health or substance abuse treatment.

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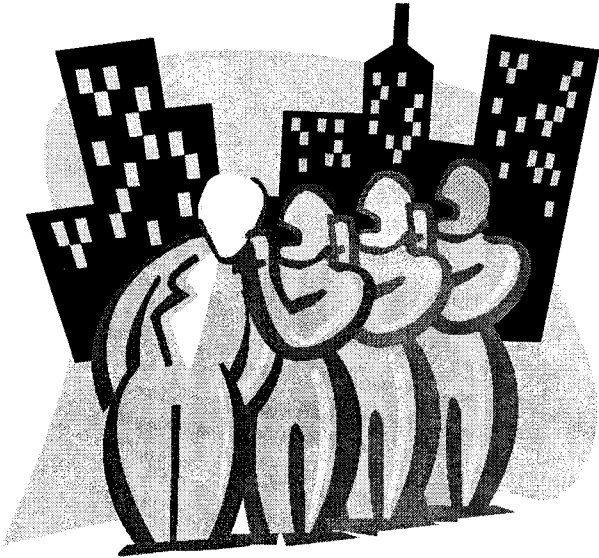
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## APPENDICES



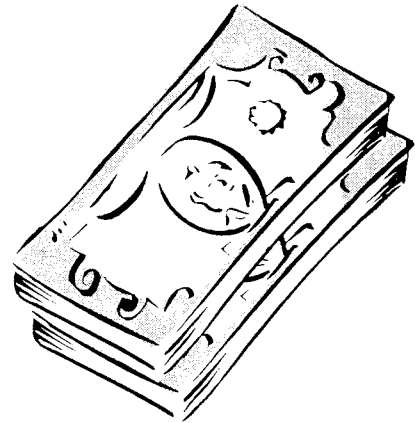


# ***PALM BEACH COUNTY***



***“SPEAK OUT -  
BE HEARD”***

***“SPEAK OUT -  
GET PAID”***



***GUIDE FOR  
DATA COLLECTORS***



## **CARE Council - Community Planning Partnership Special Populations Study Project**

### **1) Introductions:**

- Remind respondents to help themselves to food/beverages.
- This training session will take about 3 hours
- Lunch will be provided around noon
- Reimbursement for transportation, if needed, is available

### **2) Project overview:**

- Special Populations Study Projects are mandated by HRSA and the CDC to ensure that Ryan White CARE Act funds and CDC Prevention funds are used to meet the needs of infected and affected PLWH/A through the provision of appropriate services.
- The CARE Council and the Community Planning Partnership will continue to work closely with the community to plan and conduct this Project.
- It will probably take approximately one hour to administer each survey.
- The survey will ask questions about HIV prevention and care in Palm Beach County.
- Respondents who complete the entire survey will receive a \$20.00 gift certificate.
- Please remind respondents that they should not complete more than one survey.

### **3) How data will be used:**

- To prioritize services and identify service gaps.
- To develop, plan, and implement more effective prevention and treatment services.
- To assess, from the perspective of Blacks in Palm Beach County, the overall effectiveness of the HIV/AIDS prevention and care system.



## Data Collection Procedures

### Introduction:

There are a number of advantages in having a questionnaire administered by an interviewer rather than the respondent. Most importantly, interview surveys give higher response rates than mail or phone surveys. Second, respondents seem more reluctant to turn down interviewers. Third, data collectors can answer questions for respondents, probe for answers and clarify confusing matters, thereby obtaining relevant responses. Finally, data collectors can observe behavior as well as ask or guide questioning.

### General Rules for Interviewing:

#### 1. Try to have fun.

Relax and enjoy yourself. Get to know someone else. This is an opportunity to forget about your worries for an hour and concentrate on someone else. Take a couple of deep breaths and “meet the respondents where they are”.

#### 2. Have a pleasant and appropriate appearance and demeanor.

Dress in a fashion similar to those you’re interviewing. If unsure how you should dress, dress modestly. Your demeanor should be pleasant and communicate a genuine interest in getting to know the respondent. Relax and be friendly.

#### 3. Read the statement of Anonymity and Informed Consent

All survey material is strictly anonymous. No names will be used in gathering or reporting the information.

The statement of informed consent at the beginning of the survey packet must be read aloud to the study participants. The completed survey document is verification that informed consent has been obtained.

#### 4. Become thoroughly familiar with the Survey

Study the survey carefully - maybe five or six times. Practice by reading aloud. The goal is to be able to read the survey without error and without stumbling over words. Think of yourself as an actor studying lines for a play. Also, be prepared to give guidance when a respondent doesn’t understand a particular question. **If a respondent is unable to answer a particular question, you should write “unanswered” by the question.**

#### 5. Read the wording of each question exactly

Be careful with your wording even when clarifying questions or probing for answers so that your wording doesn’t distort the answer. In other words, try not to “lead the witness”.

#### 6. Record each response exactly

This is especially important for open-ended questions. Record answers as they are stated by the respondent. Please do not summarize, paraphrase or correct bad grammar.

7. Probe for responses when necessary

Sometimes respondents will respond to a question with an obviously inappropriate answer. This might simply indicate they misunderstood the question. When necessary, interviewers can explain the question in their own way. Remember to record the respondent's answer verbatim, even if it seems odd to you. Probes are more frequently required with open-ended questions. Closed-ended questions are usually self-explanatory.

8. Coordinate efforts to make sure the situation is well controlled!

Whenever more than one interviewer is involved in a survey, it is essential that efforts be carefully coordinated and controlled to ensure that everyone is working from the same page.

## Glossary

### Open-ended questions

Questions in which the respondent is asked to provide his/her own answer. Example: How do you feel about the delivery of services in Palm Beach County?

### Closed-ended questions

Questions in which the respondent is asked to select an answer from among a list of answers provided on the survey questionnaire. Example: Pick your favorite HIV service from the following three services: massage therapy; acupuncture; food pantry.

### Questionnaire

Another word for the survey instrument.

### Respondent or Participant

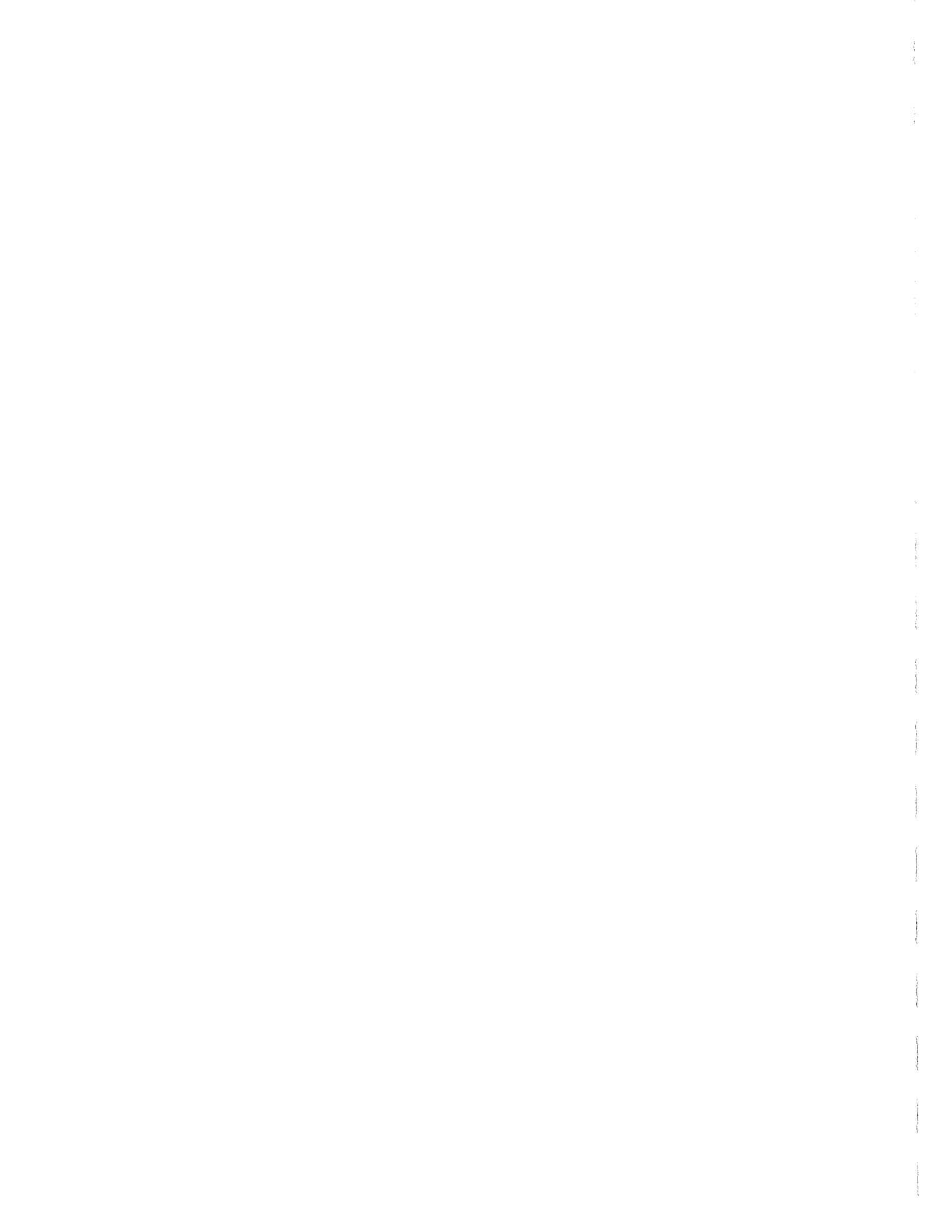
A person who answers surveys and who provides data by responding to the questionnaire.

### Data collector or Interviewer

This is you - the person conducting the survey by reading questions and writing responses.

### Probe

A method of interviewing to elicit responses appropriate to the question.





## **Ground Rules**

### *How to Make Sure You Get Paid*

**In order to be paid, you must follow these rules for each survey.**

- **Before the respondent leaves, you must validate each survey** by reviewing the entire survey for unanswered questions or inappropriate responses. If you find any, attempt to re-ask the question or probe for clarification in order to complete that item.
- You must **print your name and sign your initials** at the top of each completed survey.
- You must **print the site name** at the top of each completed survey. “Site name” means, the name of the place where you collected the data.
- After completing all the above steps, **write the number that is written on the incentive envelope at the top of the survey.**
- Then, give the envelope containing the **incentive to the respondent.**
- Present each completed survey, with all the required information described above, to the survey coordinator.

Please answer each of the following questions by putting a check on the line or writing the information asked for. You may need to check more than one box to answer a question.

	Yes	No	I don't know
1. Are you <b>currently</b>			
HIV negative	_____	_____	_____
HIV positive with no symptoms	_____	_____	_____
HIV positive with symptoms	_____	_____	_____
Living with AIDS	_____	_____	_____
2. Are you <b>currently</b>			
HIV positive and receiving services	_____	_____	_____
HIV positive and not receiving services	_____	_____	_____
A caregiver of a person living with HIV/AIDS	_____	_____	_____
3. Are you			
_____ Male			
_____ Female			
_____ Transgender			
_____ Other: _____			
	Please Specify		
3a. If you are transgender, are you			
_____ Male to female			
_____ Female to male			
3b. Do you consider yourself			
_____ Heterosexual/straight			
_____ Gay man			
_____ Lesbian			
_____ Bisexual			
_____ Other: _____			
	Please Specify		

**If you are female, please answer questions 4 and 5.** If not, please go on to question 6.

4. Are you **currently** pregnant/have you been pregnant within the past 12 months?  
 Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ I don't know \_\_\_\_\_

5. If you answered yes to question 4, are you currently receiving or did you receive AZT treatment during your pregnancy?  
 Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ I don't know \_\_\_\_\_

6. What is your date of birth? \_\_\_\_\_  
Month Year

**Please answer both questions 7 AND 8 no matter what your racial/ethnic background.**

7. What do you consider your ethnic background?

- \_\_\_\_\_ Hispanic or Latino
- \_\_\_\_\_ Not Hispanic nor Latino

8. What do you consider your racial background?

- \_\_\_\_\_ American Indian or Alaska Native
- \_\_\_\_\_ Asian
- \_\_\_\_\_ Black
- \_\_\_\_\_ African-American
- \_\_\_\_\_ Haitian
- \_\_\_\_\_ Jamaican
- \_\_\_\_\_ Caribbean Islander
- \_\_\_\_\_ African
- \_\_\_\_\_ Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
- \_\_\_\_\_ White
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Specify

9. Which language do you prefer to speak?

- \_\_\_\_\_ English
- \_\_\_\_\_ Spanish
- \_\_\_\_\_ Creole
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Specify

10. What is the highest level of education you completed?

- \_\_\_\_\_ Grade school or less
- \_\_\_\_\_ Some high school
- \_\_\_\_\_ High school graduate/GED
- \_\_\_\_\_ Technical or Trade School
- \_\_\_\_\_ Some college
- \_\_\_\_\_ Completed college
- \_\_\_\_\_ Graduate level
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Specify

11. What is the name of the city/town in which you live?

- Riviera Beach
- West Palm Beach
- Boynton Beach
- Delray Beach
- Pahokee

12. What is the zip code where you live?

- 33401 (West Palm Beach)
- 33407 (West Palm Beach)
- 33404 (Riviera Beach)
- 33435 (Boynton Beach)
- 33444 (Delray Beach)
- (Pahokee)
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
Please Specify

13. What best describes your current relationship status? **(Please check only one.)**

- Single (Never Married)
- Legally Married
- Common Law
- Partnered
- Separated
- Divorced
- Widowed or partner died
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
Please Specify

14. Where do you currently live?

- In my own apartment/house
- At my parent's/relative's apartment/house
- Someone else's apartment/house
- In a rooming or boarding house
- In a "supportive living" facility (Assisted Living Facility)
- In a group home or residence
- In a half-way house, transitional housing or treatment facility (drug or psychiatric)
- Skilled Nursing Home
- Homeless (on the street/in car)
- Homeless shelter
- Living in battered women's shelter
- Living in battered men's shelter
- Jail or correctional facility
- Other housing provided by the city or state
- Residential Hospice Facility
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
Please Specify

14a. If you live in your own apartment/house, do you  
 Not applicable, I don't live in my own apartment/house  
 Own  
 Rent/lease  
 Other arrangement: \_\_\_\_\_  
Please Specify

15. With whom do you live? **(Please check all that apply.)**  
 Partner/wife/husband/lover  
 Adult family member or relative  
 Adult friend/roommate (non-sexual)  
 Children (minor)  
 I live alone  
 Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
Please Specify

16. Is anyone, other than yourself, currently living with HIV in your household?  
 Yes  
 No  
 I don't know

17. Please indicate the number of children in your household by age.  
 Not Applicable

Total Number Of Children in Your Household	Ages of Children Living in Your Household				
	Younger than 1	1-4 years old	5-9 years old	10-14 years old	15-19 years old
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					

18. Please indicate the number of your dependent children in your household by age.

Not Applicable

Total Number Of Your Dependent Children in Your Household	Ages of Your Dependent Children Living in Your Household				
	Younger than 1	1-4 years old	5-9 years old	10-14 years old	15-19 years old
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					

19. Do any of the children have HIV?

Yes

No

I don't know

**Please answer the following question by placing a check in each box that describes your situation.**

19. During the last two years, how long (total time) have you lived in one of the following places/situations?

<b>Type of Residence</b>	<b>Never</b>	<b>Less than a month</b>	<b>1-3 months</b>	<b>3 months to a year</b>	<b>More than a year</b>
In my own apartment/house					
At my parent's/relative's apartment/house					
Someone else's apartment/house					
In a rooming or boarding house					
In a "supportive living" facility (Assisted Living Facility)					
In a group home or residence					
In a half-way house, transitional housing or treatment facility (drug or psychiatric)					
Skilled nursing home					
Homeless (on the street/in car)					
Homeless shelter					
Living in battered women's shelter					
Living in battered men's shelter					
Jail or correctional facility					
Other housing provided by the city or state					
Residential hospice facility					
Other: Please Specify					

20a. During the last two years, if you have lived in any of the following places, please indicate how long you had to wait between the time you applied for the housing and the time you actually were able to move in.

Type of Residence	Not applicable	Less than 3 months	4-6 months	7-12 months	13-18 months	More than 18 months
In a rooming or boarding house						
In a "supportive living" facility or Assisted Living Facility						
In a group home or residence						
In a half-way house, transitional housing or treatment facility (drug or psychiatric)						
Skilled nursing home						
Homeless shelter						
Battered women's shelter						
Battered men's shelter						
Jail or correctional facility (e.g. specialized substance abuse facility)						
Other housing provided by the city or state						
Residential hospice facility						
Other: Please Specify _____						

20b. Please indicate the total amount of your rent or mortgage payment each month. Only include rent or mortgage payments; do not include utilities or other expenses.

\_\_\_\_\_ Less than \$100

\_\_\_\_\_ \$101-200

\_\_\_\_\_ \$201-300

\_\_\_\_\_ \$301-400

\_\_\_\_\_ \$401-500

\_\_\_\_\_ \$501-600

\_\_\_\_\_ More than \$600

\_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Specify



20c. If you share housing costs or get financial assistance, what is the amount that **you** pay out of pocket each month for rent or mortgage payments? Again, please only include rent or mortgage payments and not utilities or expenses.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Not applicable, I do not share housing costs
- \_\_\_\_\_ Less than \$100
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$101-200
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$201-300
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$301-400
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$401-500
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$501-600
- \_\_\_\_\_ More than \$600

20d. How often is paying for your housing a problem for you?

- \_\_\_\_\_ Constantly \_\_\_\_\_ Why? \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ Often \_\_\_\_\_ Why? \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ Sometimes \_\_\_\_\_ Why? \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ Never

20e. Please indicate if you think it's easy to get from your house to each of the following services:

	Not applicable	Yes	No
Medical services			
Social services like case managers, etc.			
Basic services like food pantry, etc.			
Transportation			
Child care			

20f. Please indicate the condition of the following parts of your housing:

	Excellent condition	Good condition	Fair condition	Poor condition	Don't know
Air conditioning					
Entry/Access Doors					
Interior Doors					
Electrical system					
Heating system					
Kitchen appliances					
Plumbing					
Safety features					
Windows					

20g. If you have a disability, is there anything that should be done to make your apartment or house safer and more accessible to you?

Not applicable, I do not have a disability

No

Yes, I need the following changes:

Ramps

Lower cabinets and counters

Shower/bath handles

Other (specify) \_

Wider doorways

Other (specify)

Wider hallways

Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

20h. Please indicate if you think you were ever turned down for a house or apartment because of any of the following reasons. **(Please check all that apply to you.)**

Not applicable, I do not believe that this has happened to me

HIV status

Race/ethnicity

Disability

Income

Your children

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Specify

20i. If you think you were turned down for housing for any of these reasons, did you try to follow up with a complaint to the Fair Housing Authority or any other agency that helps in these cases?

Not applicable, I was not turned down for housing for any of these reasons

Yes

No, because I did not know where to go to follow up

No, because I did not want to follow up

No, because of some other reason: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Specify

21. What describes your **current job (work)** situation? **(Check all that apply to you.)**

Full-time job

Part-time job

Working part time on disability

Not working - on full disability

Not working - student

Not working - looking

Not working

Retired

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Specify

22. Which of the following best describes your current yearly income?

- \$0 - \$9,999 (up to \$192 per week)
- \$10,000 - \$19,999 (\$193-\$385 per week)
- \$20,000 - \$29,999 (\$386-\$576 per week)
- \$30,000 - \$39,999 (\$577-\$769 per week)
- \$40,000 - \$49,999 (\$770-\$961 per week)
- greater than \$50,000 (greater than \$961 per week)

23. What kind of health insurance do you have? **(Check all that apply to you.)**

- None, I have no health insurance
- Insurance through work
- COBRA (insurance paid through your last employer)
- Private insurance, not through work
- Medicare

**Is your Medicare coverage managed as an HMO?**

- Yes
- No
- I don't know

Medicaid

**Is your Medicaid coverage managed as an HMO?**

- Yes
- No
- don't know

Veterans

Health Care District

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Specify

23a. How satisfied are you with the health insurance program that you have?

- Not applicable, I do not have health insurance
- Very satisfied
- Somewhat satisfied
- Neutral
- Somewhat dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

24. If you receive HIV/AIDS drugs, what program pays for your HIV/AIDS drugs?  
**Please check "Yes", "No", or "I Don't Know" for each choice.**

	Yes	No	I don't know
Ryan White Medication Program or AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP)	_____	_____	_____
Private Insurance or HMO	_____	_____	_____
Medicaid	_____	_____	_____
Medicaid HMO	_____	_____	_____
Other: _____			
Please Specify			
_____ Not Applicable			

24a. Have you ever used the local AIDS drug assistance program?

- \_\_\_\_\_ Yes
- \_\_\_\_\_ No
- \_\_\_\_\_ I Don't know
- \_\_\_\_\_ Not Applicable

25. Which of the following benefits do you receive? **(Please check all that apply to you.)**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Unemployment Compensation
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Food Stamps
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Long term disability
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Rent supplement
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Short term disability
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Supplemental Security Income SSI
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Disability Income (SSDI)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Veterans assistance
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Worker's compensation
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Annuity/Life insurance payments
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Retirement
  - \_\_\_\_\_ HIV/AIDS drugs
  - \_\_\_\_\_ WIC
  - \_\_\_\_\_ TANF (AFDC)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Not eligible for benefits
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Other public assistance \_\_\_\_\_
- Please Specify
- \_\_\_\_\_ Not Applicable

26. Where do you receive your medical care? **(Please check all that apply to you.)**
- Hospital Emergency Room
  - Hospital/Hospital Clinic
  - Community Health Clinic/Center (HIV specialty clinic, provides limited focus services)
  - Private Physician's Office/Clinic
  - HMO/Managed Care Clinic
  - Public Health Clinic (provides diverse clinical services)
  - Other: \_\_\_\_\_
  - Not Applicable
27. Do you have any disabilities, other than HIV/AIDS?
- Yes      What types? \_\_\_\_\_
  - No
28. If YES to any disabilities other than HIV/AIDS, how often do you need assistance related to your disability in obtaining HIV or AIDS related service?
- Never
  - Rarely (no more than once a week)
  - Some of the time (one to four times a week)
  - Often (five or more times a week)
  - Not Applicable
29. Have you been unable to get needed services because of the following circumstances or disabilities? **(Please check all that apply to you.)**
- Wheelchair bound
  - Hard of hearing
  - Legally deaf
  - Visually impaired (not correctable by eyeglasses)
  - Blind
  - Mentally impaired
  - Chemical dependency (alcohol, illicit drugs)
  - Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- Please Specify
- Not Applicable

30. How many times have you been tested for HIV infection (during the past two years) in each of the sites below? **(Write "0" if you were never tested at that site)**

**Number of Times Tested**

- Counseling & testing center
- Clinic in your community/HIV specialty clinic
- Health department
- Health fair, bar, or other place of entertainment
- Home test
- Hospital clinic
- Hospital emergency room
- Military
- Jail or correctional facility
- Private physician's office
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Specify

Not Applicable, never been tested

31. How long ago did you first test positive for HIV?

- 0-6 months
- 6 months - 1 year
- 1 year - 1 ½ years
- 1 ½ - 2 years
- 2- 2 ½ years
- 2 ½ - 3 years
- 3-4 years
- 4-5 years
- 5-6 years
- 6-7 years
- 7-8 years
- 8-9 years
- 9-10 years
- More than 10 years (Please specify number of years \_\_\_\_\_)
- Not Applicable, never been tested

32. Please indicate the month and year.

Month \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_  
 Not Applicable

33. How did you find out you were HIV positive? **(Please check all that apply)**

- When you were tested for HIV
- When you donated blood
- When you went to the hospital or emergency room for something else
- As part of a physical examination
- For women - as part of care while pregnant
- From a partner
- In jail or prison
- In a drug treatment program or facility
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Specify

Not Applicable

33a. When you found out you were HIV positive, were you referred for any of the following services? **(Please check all that apply.)**

- Not applicable, I was not referred for services
- Medical care related to being HIV positive
- Medical care for a condition other than HIV
- Substance use counseling/treatment
- Mental health services (other than substance use)
- Case management services
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Specify

Not Applicable

33b. How soon after finding out you were HIV positive did you get medical care for your HIV?

- Not applicable, I have not gotten medical care for HIV
- Within 3 months
- Within 6 months
- Within 1 year
- Longer than 1 year
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Specify

Not Applicable

33c. If you did not seek medical care within one (1) year of finding out you were HIV positive, please indicate why. **(Please check all that apply.)**

- Not applicable, I got medical care within one year
- No one told me that I needed to get medical care for HIV
- My doctor or nurse told me that I did not need medical care at that time
- I did not think that I needed medical care then because I wasn't sick
- I did not think that medical care would do me any good
- I did not find a doctor or nurse who I wanted to treat me
- I did not know where to go for medical care
- I did not want to receive medical care
- I used alternative treatments
- I couldn't afford medical care at that time
- I was out doing drugs
- I was in jail or prison and did not receive care
- Other: Please Specify \_\_\_\_\_
- Not Applicable

33d. How recently have you received medical care related to your HIV?

- I have never had medical care related to HIV
- Within the last 3 months
- 4-6 months ago
- 7-12 months ago
- More than 1 year ago
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
Please Specify
- Not Applicable

33e. If it has been more than 6 months since you received medical care related to HIV from a doctor or nurse, please indicate why. **(Please check all that apply.)**

- Not applicable, I got medical care within the past 6 months
- My doctor or nurse told me that I do not need medical care right now
- I do not think that I need medical care now because I am not sick
- I do not think that medical care would do me any good
- I have not found a doctor or nurse who I want to treat me
- I do not know where to go for medical care
- I do not want to receive medical care
- I use alternative treatments
- I can't afford medical care now
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
Please Specify
- Not Applicable



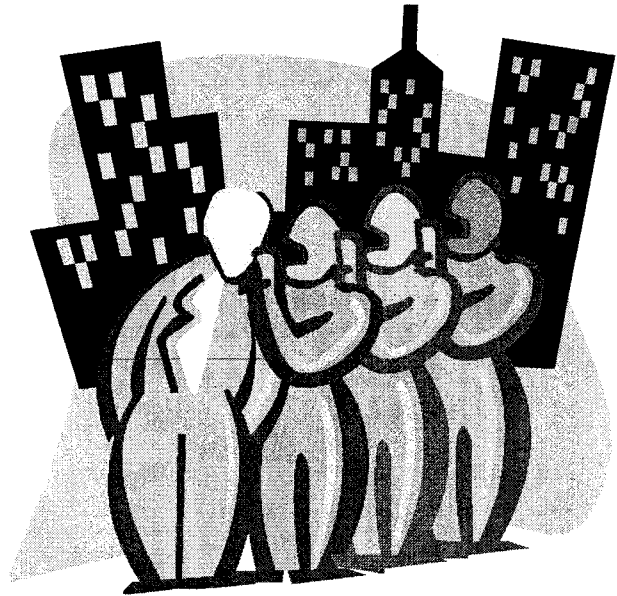
34. Have you been told by the doctor, nurse, or other health care team member that you have AIDS?

- Yes
- No
- Prefer not to answer
- Not Applicable

35. If yes, when were you told that you had AIDS?

- Year
- Don't Remember
- Prefer not to answer
- Not Applicable

**You're more than half way through!**



36. Please indicate your lowest, highest and current viral load?

**Place a check in the box for your lowest, a check for your highest, and also a check for your current.**

Viral Count	Lowest	Highest	Current
Undetectable			
Detectable but less than 1,000			
1,001 - 5,000			
5,001 - 10,000			
10,001 - 50,000			
50,001 - 100,000			
100,001 - 500,000			
500,001 - 1 million			
> 1 million			
Don't Know			
Not Applicable			

37. In the past year, how have you gotten to most of your medical or other service appointments? **(Please check all that apply)**
- My own car (or motorcycle or truck)
  - Rode with a friend or family member or borrowed their car (or motorcycle or truck)
  - Palm Tran
  - Palm Tran Connection
  - Taxi
  - Transportation service
  - Walked or rode a bike
  - Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- Please Specify
- Not Applicable

- 37a. In the past year, how many medical appointments have you missed because of transportation problems?
- None
  - 1 - 5
  - More than 5
  - Not Applicable

- 37b. In the past year, how many other service appointments have you missed because of transportation problems?
- None
  - 1 - 5
  - More than 5
  - Not Applicable

- 37c. In the past year, if you have used a transportation service, how much ahead of time did the service require you to make a reservation?
- Not applicable, I did not use a transportation service
  - Less than 1 week
  - 2 weeks
  - 3 weeks
  - 4 weeks
  - More than 4 weeks

37d. In the past year, if you have used a transportation service to get to medical or other service appointments, please indicate your reasons. **(Please check all that apply.)**

- Not applicable, I did not use a transportation service
- I do not own a car (or other vehicle) or I do not know how to drive
- I share a car, but cannot use it for going to appointments
- I cannot afford to have my car fixed
- I cannot afford to drive to my appointments
- I am too sick to drive
- I do not know anyone who could give me a ride to the appointments
- I do not know how to get around in the area where my providers are located
- I have a disability
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Specify

37e. In the past year, if you have used a transportation service to get to HIV-related medical or other HIV service appointments, please rate the service on each of the following:

- Not applicable

<b>Type of Transportation Service (Please Specify)</b>	<b>Always</b>	<b>Often</b>	<b>Sometimes</b>	<b>Rarely</b>	<b>Never</b>
Easy to reserve a ride					
Arrives on time					
Have to wait a long time for a ride back home from my appointment					
Easy to get in and out of vehicles					
Vehicles have seatbelts					
Drivers are polite					
Drivers know where to go					
Drivers drive safely					
I am satisfied with the transportation service that I use					

38. How do you think you were infected by HIV? (Check all that you think may apply.)

- Having sex with a man
- Having sex with a woman
- Sharing needles
- Trading sex for drugs/money
- Blood products/Transfusion
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- Don't know
- I prefer not to answer
- Not Applicable

39. Since you were infected with HIV, have you been treated/are you receiving mental health counseling (including psychiatric or emotional) for a psychiatric or emotional problem?

- Yes
- No
- Not Applicable

39a. Since you were infected with HIV, have you received any of the following:

	Yes	No	I don't know
◆ Individual therapy with a psychiatrist?	_____	_____	_____
◆ Medication prescribed by a psychiatrist?	_____	_____	_____
◆ <i>Individual</i> therapy with a psychologist, social worker, licensed professional counselor, nurse clinician, or licensed chemical dependency counselor?	_____	_____	_____
◆ <i>Group</i> therapy with a psychologist, social worker, licensed professional counselor, nurse clinician, or licensed chemical dependency counselor?	_____	_____	_____
_____ Not Applicable			

39b. If you received treatment, was it

- Outpatient (by a doctor or counselor)
- Inpatient (in a hospital at least overnight)
- Not Applicable

39c. Do you use alcohol or other drugs (other than drugs [as] prescribed by a physician)?

- Yes
- No

39d. Since you were infected with HIV, have you received any treatment for alcohol or drug use?

- Yes
- No
- Not Applicable

40. Have you ever been diagnosed with any of the diseases listed below?

	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>I don't know</b>	<b>I prefer not to answer</b>
Syphilis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Herpes (genital)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gonorrhea	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chlamydia	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Genital warts	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hepatitis (A, B, or C)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Yeast infections	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

41. Have you ever been diagnosed with Tuberculosis (TB)?

- No
- Never been tested
- Had positive skin test, but never got active TB
- Yes, have inactive TB
- Have Active TB, in treatment
- Have Active TB, not in treatment
- Don't know
- Prefer not to answer

42. Are you currently taking any medicines for your HIV infection?

- Yes
- No
- Not Applicable

- 42a. If you are NOT currently taking any medicines for your HIV infection, why not?
- Not applicable, I take HIV medications
  - They have never been prescribed for me
  - My health care provider told me to stop taking them
  - I decided to stop taking them
  - Due to problems with health insurance coverage
  - I decided to stop taking them
  - Other (Please specify) \_\_\_\_\_
  - Not applicable, I have never been diagnosed with HIV.

- 42b. Are you currently having side effects related to your HIV medicines?
- Yes
  - No
  - Don't Know
  - Not Applicable

43. If you are taking prescribed medication for HIV, are you taking any of the following? Place a check in **Yes**, **No**, or **I don't know** for each of the following medications.

	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>I don't know</b>
Antiretrovirals and/or protease inhibitors that work against the virus	_____	_____	_____
Antibiotics (such as Bactrim) that fight off infections	_____	_____	_____
Antifungal (such as Diflucan) that are for body rashes or thrush	_____	_____	_____
Steroids which help you with your appetite or build weight	_____	_____	_____
Antidepressants for depression or anxiety	_____	_____	_____
Other (Prescription, Non-Prescription, Herbal, etc.)	_____	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable			

44. If you are taking prescribed medication for HIV, do you take three or more medications to fight HIV? (i.e., are you on a three or more drug cocktail?)
- Yes
  - No
  - Don't know
  - Prefer not to answer
  - Not Applicable

45. How often do you skip a dose of your medication?

- Never
- Rarely (no more than once a week)
- Some of the time (one to four times a week)
- Often (five or more times a week)
- Not Applicable

46. If you do not take your HIV medication as directed, which of the following are the reasons for not taking your medication? **(Check all that may apply.)**

- Side effects
- Difficult schedule
- Medication didn't work
- Could not afford it
- Just did not want to take them
- Forgot to take them
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Specify

Not Applicable

47a. Have your doctors, nurses, or other health care providers talked to you about participating in clinical trials for HIV/AIDS medicines?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know
- Not Applicable

48. During the past six months, how often have you used any of the following substances?

Substances	How Often Used?				
	Not at all	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	I Prefer Not to Answer
Alcohol					
Marijuana or hash					
Crack					
Cocaine					
Heroin					
Crystal Meth or Methamphetamines					
Speedball					
Tobacco					
Other drug: _____ Please Specify					
Other drug: _____ Please Specify					

49. Have you ever injected any of the above substances?

Yes

No

I prefer not to answer

49a. Do you CURRENTLY inject substances that are not prescribed to you by a health care provider?

Yes

No

I prefer not to answer

49b. If you are currently injecting substances, how often do you share needles or works?

Not applicable, I am not currently injecting

All the time

Usually, but not always

Sometimes

Never

Not Applicable

49c. If you share needles or works, how often do you clean the needles or works with bleach?

Not applicable, I do not share needles or works

All the time

Usually, but not always

Sometimes

Never

Not Applicable

49d. If you share needles or works, would you be willing to use bleach if it were available?

Yes

No

Not Applicable



49e. Please indicate how often in the past six months years you have had oral, vaginal, or anal sex with the following people. **(Please check all that apply.)**

<b>Partners</b>	<b>Frequently (once a month or more)</b>	<b>Infrequently (less than once a month)</b>	<b>Almost never (a few times a year or less)</b>	<b>Never</b>
A man who is a regular partner				
A man who is not a regular partner				
A woman who is a regular partner				
A woman who is not a regular partner				

49f. If you have had sex with **a regular partner**, how often do you and your partner use a condom or other HIV protection when having sex?

- Not applicable, I have not had sex with a regular partner in the last 2 years  
 All the time or almost every time  
 Frequently-more than half the time  
 Sometimes-about half the time  
 Rarely-less than half the time  
 Never  
 Not Applicable

49g. If you have had sex with **someone other than a regular partner**, how often do you and your partner use a condom or other HIV protection when having sex?

- Not applicable, I have not had sex with a casual partner in the last 2 years  
 All the time or almost every time  
 Frequently-more than half the time  
 Sometimes-about half the time  
 Rarely-less than half the time  
 Never  
 Not Applicable

49h. If you do not always use a condom or other HIV protection when having sex, please indicate why. Please check “Yes” or “No” for each item.

<b>Reasons you do not always use a condom or other HIV protection?</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
You don't like using condoms or barriers		
Condoms or barriers are not always available		
You are in an exclusive/monogamous relationship		
Your partner does not like using condoms or barriers		
You want to have a baby		
You are sometimes high or buzzed on drugs or alcohol during sex		
You really don't know how to talk about condoms or barriers		
It's not really sex with condoms or barriers		
You thought that you were HIV negative		
You don't care		
Other (specify):		

50. Please name organizations/agencies that have provided services, support, and/or assistance to you in living with HIV/AIDS.

\_\_\_\_ Not Applicable

<b>Name of Organization</b>	<b>Type of Assistance</b>
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
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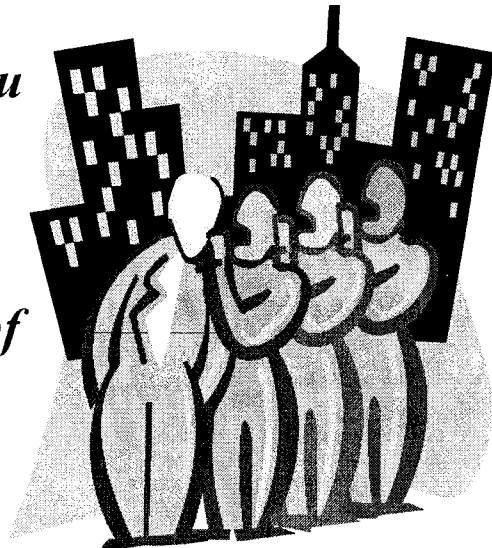
51. Where do you get information about HIV? **(Please check all that apply.)**

- Don't know
- My doctor or other health care provider
- Friends or family
- Support group
- Community outreach
- Books, magazines, newspapers or other reading materials
- TV or radio
- Internet
- HIV service providers: \_\_\_\_\_  
Please Specify
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
Please Specify
- I've never received information about HIV

51a. Where do you get information about **services for people with HIV?** **(Please check all that apply.)**

- Don't know
- My doctor or other health care provider
- Friends or family
- Support group
- Community outreach
- Books, magazines, newspapers or other reading materials
- TV or radio
- Internet
- HIV service providers: \_\_\_\_\_  
Please Specify
- I've never received information about **services for people with HIV.**

*Thank you for the time that you have taken to complete this survey. Your answers will provide valuable information for the planning and delivery of services to our community.*





**TABLE 1: AIDS INCIDENCE, AIDS PREVALENCE AND HIV PREVALENCE  
BY DEMOGRAPHIC GROUP AND EXPOSURE CATEGORY  
STATE/ELIGIBLE METROPOLITAN AREA (EMA) WEST PALM BEACH, FL**

\* FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, HARS DATA

Demographic Group/ Exposure Category	AIDS INCIDENCE: 07/01/98 TO 6/30/00		AIDS PREVALENCE AS OF 6/30/00		HIV PREVALENCE AS OF 06/30/00	
	#	% of Total	#	% of Total	#	% of Total
<i>Race/Ethnicity</i>						
White, not Hispanic	195	20	858	27	273	22
Black, not Hispanic	720	73	2104	65	863	70
Hispanic	75	8	258	8	86	7
Asian/Pacific Islander	1	0	4	0	4	0
American Indian/Alaska Native	0	0	2	0	0	0
Not Specified	0	0	0	0	351	29
<b>Total</b>	<b>991</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>3226</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>1226</b>	<b>100</b>
<i>Gender</i>						
Male	649	66	2097	67	644	53
Female	328	34	1046	33	574	47
<b>Total</b>	<b>977</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>3143</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>1218</b>	<b>100</b>
<i>Age at Diagnosis (Years)</i>						
<13 years	14	0	83	3	8	0
13-19 years	15	2	44	1	67	5
20- 44 years	642	65	2250	69.5	867	70
45 + years	320	33.5	850	26.5	284	25
<b>Total</b>	<b>991</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>3226</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>1226</b>	<b>100</b>
<i>Adult/Adolescent AIDS Exposure Category</i>	#	% of Total	#	% of Total	#	% of Total
Men who have sex with men	177	18	808	26	169	14
Injection drug users	81	8	358	11	72	6
Men who have sex with men and inject drugs	8	1	68	2	19	2
Hemophilia/coagulation disorder	0	0	4	0	5	0
Heterosexuals	471	48	1312	42	600	49
Receipt of blood transfusion,	1	0	10	0	2	0

	AIDS INCIDENCE: 07/01/98 TO 6/30/00	AIDS PREVALENCE AS OF 6/30/00	HIV PREVALENCE AS OF 06/30/00
blood components, or tissue Risk not reported or identified	239	583	351
<b>Total</b>	977	3143	1218
<b>Pediatric AIDS Exposure Categories</b>			
Hemophilia/coagulation disorder	0	0	0
Mother with/at risk for HIV infection	14	80	7
Receipt of blood transfusion, blood components or tissue	0	0	0
Risk not reported or identified	0	3	1
<b>Total</b>	14	83	8

Please Complete: Does your State have HIV reporting? (Check one.)

Yes  No

Cumulative HIV cases for Palm Beach County by mode,race and sex  
Through March 2002

By-> Sex of patient=(1)Male

Mode of exposure (row) vs. Patient Race/Ethnicity (column)  
frequency

	(1)White	(2)Black	(3)Hispani c	(4)Asian	(9)Unknown	total
(01)Homo-Bi Male	172	93	30	3	3	301
(02)IV drug user	17	25	7	0	0	49
(03)Homo & IDU	12	11	10	0	0	33
(04)Adult Hemopht	1	0	0	0	0	1
(05)Hetsx Contact	23	309	22	2	0	356
(06)Transfus,Trpl	2	0	0	0	0	2
(09)Risk not specifi	82	195	32	0	1	310
(12)M w HIV HIV-Risk	0	2	0	0	0	2
total	309	635	101	5	4	1054

By-> Sex of patient=(2)Female

Mode of exposure (row) vs. Patient Race/Ethnicity (column)  
frequency

	(1)White	(2)Black	(3)Hispani c	(4)Asian	(9)Unknown	total
(02)IV drug user	29	32	3	0	0	64
(04)Adult Hemopht	1	5	0	0	0	6
(05)Hetsx Contact	68	454	26	0	1	549
(06)Transfus,Trpl	0	1	0	0	0	1
(09)Risk not specifi	44	199	15	1	2	261
(12)M w HIV HIV-Risk	0	7	0	0	0	7
(18)Confirmed Oth	0	1	0	0	0	1
(19)Ped Oth/Und	0	1	0	0	0	1
total	142	700	44	1	3	890





Cumulative AIDS cases for Palm Beach County by mode, race and sex  
Through March 2002

By-> Sex of patient=(1)Male

Mode of exposure (row) vs. Patient Race/Ethnicity (column)  
frequency

	(1)White	(2)Black	(3)Hispani c	(4)Asian	(5)Indian	total
(01)Homo-Bi Male	1564	635	196	3	3	2401
(02)IV drug user	171	487	69	0	0	727
(03)Homo & IDU	126	108	17	0	0	251
(04)Adult Hemopht	13	3	2	0	0	18
(05)Hetsx Contact	76	1235	87	1	1	1400
(06)Transfus,Trpl	25	13	2	0	0	40
(08)Confirmed Oth	1	0	0	0	0	1
(09)Risk not specifi	146	682	56	0	0	884
(12)M w HIV HIV-Risk	4	109	8	0	0	121
(18)Confirmed Oth	1	1	0	0	0	2
(19)Ped Oth/Und	0	2	0	0	0	2
total	2127	3275	437	4	4	5847

By-> Sex of patient=(2)Female

Mode of exposure (row) vs. Patient Race/Ethnicity (column)  
frequency

	(1)White	(2)Black	(3)Hispani c	(4)Asian	total
(02)IV drug user	138	351	27	0	516
(04)Adult Hemopht	2	2	0	0	4
(05)Hetsx Contact	138	1201	67	2	1408
(06)Transfus,Trpl	17	16	3	0	36
(08)Confirmed Oth	0	2	0	0	2
(09)Risk not specifi	52	365	14	0	431
(12)M w HIV HIV-Risk	4	96	7	0	107
(13)P Trnsfus,Trpl	0	1	0	0	1
(19)Ped Oth/Und	0	1	1	0	2
total	351	2035	119	2	2507



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1. Disease Category	Adult/Adolescent *		Pediatric *		Total	
	Cases ( %)	Deaths ( %)	Cases ( %)	Deaths ( %)	Cases ( %)	Deaths ( %)
PCP	1903 ( 23)	1434 ( 75)	89 ( 38)	48 ( 54)	1992 ( 24)	1482 ( 74)
Other Disease w/o PCP	3825 ( 47)	2221 ( 58)	146 ( 62)	73 ( 50)	3971 ( 47)	2294 ( 58)
KS Alone	93 ( 1)	66 ( 71)	0 ( 0)	0 ( .)	93 ( 1)	66 ( 71)
No Diseases Listed	2335 ( 29)	521 ( 22)	0 ( 0)	0 ( .)	2335 ( 28)	521 ( 22)
<b>Total</b>	<b>8156 (100)</b>	<b>4242 ( 52)</b>	<b>235 (100)</b>	<b>121 ( 51)</b>	<b>8391 (100)</b>	<b>4363 ( 52)</b>

2. Age *	Cases ( %)	3. Race/Ethnicity	Adult/Adolescent *	Pediatric *	Total
			Cases ( %)	Cases ( %)	Cases ( %)
Under 5	197 ( 2)	White, Not Hispanic	2472 ( 30)	9 ( 4)	2481 ( 30)
5-12	38 ( 0)	Black, Not Hispanic	5132 ( 63)	210 ( 89)	5342 ( 64)
13-19	81 ( 1)	Hispanic	541 ( 7)	16 ( 7)	557 ( 7)
20-29	1426 ( 17)	Asian/Pacific Is.	7 ( 0)	0 ( 0)	7 ( 0)
30-39	3274 ( 39)	Am. Indian/Alaska Native	4 ( 0)	0 ( 0)	4 ( 0)
40-49	2031 ( 24)	Unknown	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)
Over 49	1344 ( 16)				
Unknown	0 ( 0)	<b>Total</b>	<b>8156 (100)</b>	<b>235 (100)</b>	<b>8391 (100)</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>8391 (100)</b>				

4. Exposure Category	Adult/Adolescent Transmission Modes		Total ( %)
	Males ( %)	Females ( %)	
Men who have sex with men	2405 ( 42)	0 ( 0)	2405 ( 29)
Injecting drug use	727 ( 13)	516 ( 21)	1243 ( 15)
Men who have sex with men and inject drugs	251 ( 4)	0 ( 0)	251 ( 3)
Hemophilia/coagulation disorder	18 ( 0)	3 ( 0)	21 ( 0)
Heterosexual contact	1420 ( 25)	1419 ( 59)	2839 ( 35)
Receipt of blood, components, or tissue	40 ( 1)	36 ( 1)	76 ( 1)
Risk not reported/Other	889 ( 15)	432 ( 18)	1321 ( 16)
<b>Total</b>	<b>5750 (100)</b>	<b>2406 (100)</b>	<b>8156 (100)</b>

	Pediatric Transmission Modes		Total ( %)
	Males ( %)	Females ( %)	
Hemophilia/coagulation disorder	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)
Mother with/at risk for HIV infection	121 ( 97)	107 ( 97)	228 ( 97)
Receipt of blood, components, or tissue	0 ( 0)	1 ( 1)	1 ( 0)
Risk not reported/Other	4 ( 3)	2 ( 2)	6 ( 3)
<b>Total</b>	<b>125 (100)</b>	<b>110 (100)</b>	<b>235 (100)</b>

\* Classification at time of AIDS dx if patient met the AIDS case definition (otherwise age at first HIV report).



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1. Disease Category	Adult/Adolescent *		Pediatric *		Total	
	Cases ( %)	Deaths ( %)	Cases ( %)	Deaths ( %)	Cases ( %)	Deaths ( %)
PCP	1576 ( 24)	1158 ( 73)	71 ( 38)	38 ( 54)	1647 ( 24)	1196 ( 73)
Other Disease w/o PCP	2941 ( 44)	1652 ( 56)	114 ( 62)	54 ( 47)	3055 ( 45)	1706 ( 56)
KS Alone	87 ( 1)	61 ( 70)	0 ( 0)	0 ( .)	87 ( 1)	61 ( 70)
No Diseases Listed	2069 ( 31)	445 ( 22)	0 ( 0)	0 ( .)	2069 ( 30)	445 ( 22)
<b>Total</b>	<b>6673 (100)</b>	<b>3316 ( 50)</b>	<b>185 (100)</b>	<b>92 ( 50)</b>	<b>6858 (100)</b>	<b>3408 ( 50)</b>

2. Age *	Cases ( %)	3. Race/Ethnicity	Adult/Adolescent *	Pediatric *	Total
			Cases ( %)	Cases ( %)	Cases ( %)
Under 5	154 ( 2)	White, Not Hispanic	2437 ( 37)	9 ( 5)	2446 ( 36)
5-12	31 ( 0)	Black, Not Hispanic	3731 ( 56)	160 ( 86)	3891 ( 57)
13-19	64 ( 1)	Hispanic	494 ( 7)	16 ( 9)	510 ( 7)
20-29	1118 ( 16)	Asian/Pacific Is.	7 ( 0)	0 ( 0)	7 ( 0)
30-39	2785 ( 41)	Am. Indian/Alaska Native	4 ( 0)	0 ( 0)	4 ( 0)
40-49	1677 ( 24)	Unknown	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)
Over 49	1029 ( 15)				
Unknown	0 ( 0)	<b>Total</b>	<b>6673 (100)</b>	<b>185 (100)</b>	<b>6858 (100)</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>6858 (100)</b>				

4. Exposure Category	Adult/Adolescent Transmission Modes		Total ( %)
	Males ( %)	Females ( %)	
Men who have sex with men	2253 ( 47)	0 ( 0)	2253 ( 34)
Injecting drug use	601 ( 13)	413 ( 22)	1014 ( 15)
Men who have sex with men and inject drugs	209 ( 4)	0 ( 0)	209 ( 3)
Hemophilia/coagulation disorder	17 ( 0)	3 ( 0)	20 ( 0)
Heterosexual contact	940 ( 20)	1069 ( 57)	2009 ( 30)
Receipt of blood, components, or tissue	37 ( 1)	33 ( 2)	70 ( 1)
Risk not reported/Other	739 ( 15)	359 ( 19)	1098 ( 16)
<b>Total</b>	<b>4796 (100)</b>	<b>1877 (100)</b>	<b>6673 (100)</b>

	Pediatric Transmission Modes		Total ( %)
	Males ( %)	Females ( %)	
Hemophilia/coagulation disorder	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)
Mother with/at risk for HIV infection	95 ( 96)	83 ( 97)	178 ( 96)
Receipt of blood, components, or tissue	0 ( 0)	1 ( 1)	1 ( 1)
Risk not reported/Other	4 ( 4)	2 ( 2)	6 ( 3)
<b>Total</b>	<b>99 (100)</b>	<b>86 (100)</b>	<b>185 (100)</b>

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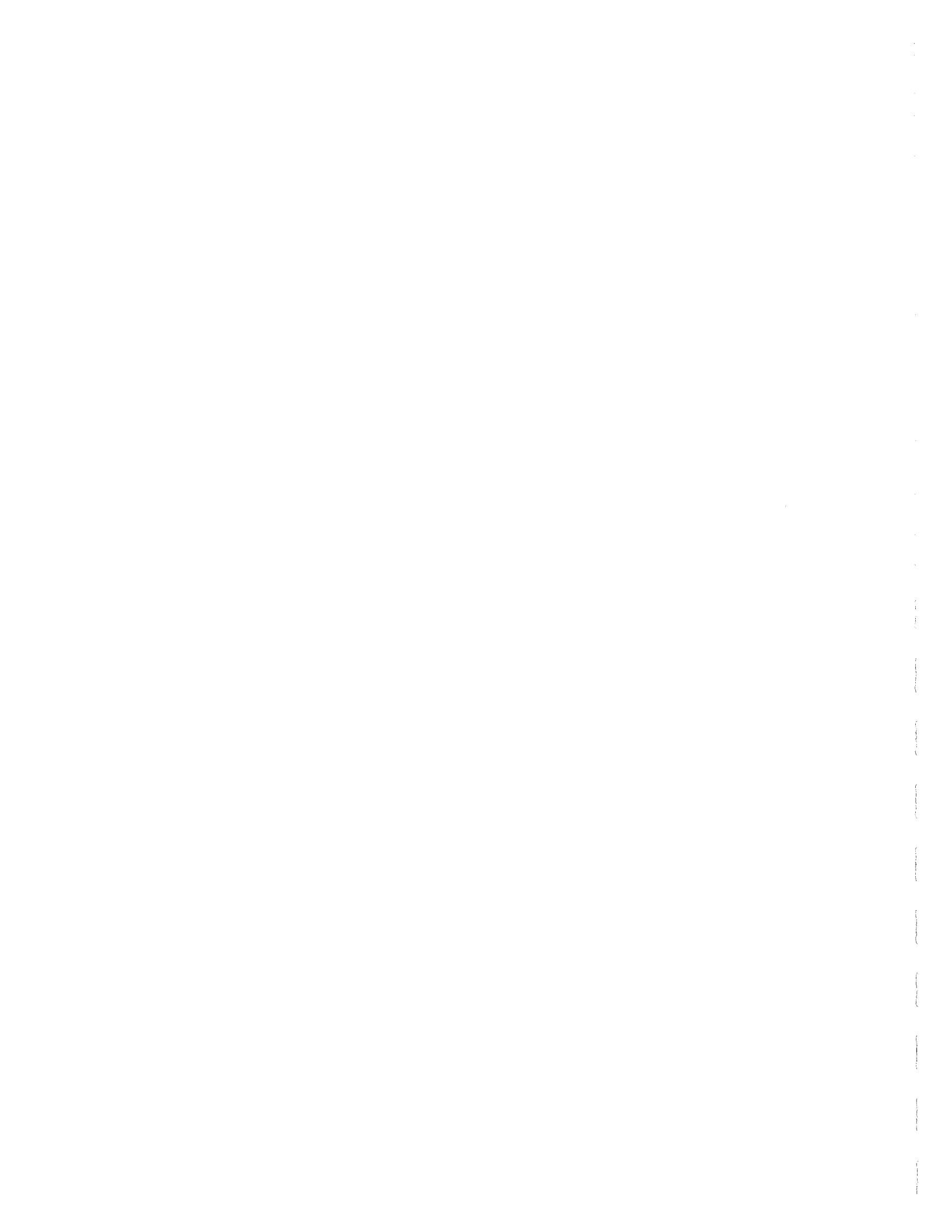
1 Disease Category	Adult/Adolescent *		Pediatric *		Total	
	Cases ( %)	Deaths ( %)	Cases ( %)	Deaths ( %)	Cases ( %)	Deaths ( %)
PCP	327 ( 22)	276 ( 84)	18 ( 36)	10 ( 56)	345 ( 23)	286 ( 83)
Other Disease w/o PCP	884 ( 60)	569 ( 64)	32 ( 64)	19 ( 59)	916 ( 60)	588 ( 64)
KS Alone	6 ( 0)	5 ( 83)	0 ( 0)	0 ( .)	6 ( 0)	5 ( 83)
No Diseases Listed	266 ( 18)	76 ( 29)	0 ( 0)	0 ( .)	266 ( 17)	76 ( 29)
<b>Total</b>	<b>1483 (100)</b>	<b>926 ( 62)</b>	<b>50 (100)</b>	<b>29 ( 58)</b>	<b>1533 (100)</b>	<b>955 ( 62)</b>

2 Age *	Cases ( %)	3. Race/Ethnicity	Adult/Adolescent *	Pediatric *	Total
			Cases ( %)	Cases ( %)	Cases ( %)
Under 5	43 ( 3)	White, Not Hispanic	35 ( 2)	0 ( 0)	35 ( 2)
5-12	7 ( 0)	Black, Not Hispanic	1401 ( 94)	50 (100)	1451 ( 95)
13-19	17 ( 1)	Hispanic	47 ( 3)	0 ( 0)	47 ( 3)
20-29	308 ( 20)	Asian/Pacific Is.	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)
30-39	489 ( 32)	Am. Indian/Alaska Native	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)
40-49	354 ( 23)	Unknown	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)
Over 49	315 ( 21)				
Unknown	0 ( 0)	<b>Total</b>	<b>1483 (100)</b>	<b>50 (100)</b>	<b>1533 (100)</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1533 (100)</b>				

4. Exposure Category	Adult/Adolescent Transmission Modes		Total ( %)
	Males ( %)	Females ( %)	
Men who have sex with men	152 ( 16)	0 ( 0)	152 ( 10)
Injecting drug use	126 ( 13)	103 ( 19)	229 ( 15)
Men who have sex with men and inject drugs	42 ( 4)	0 ( 0)	42 ( 3)
Hemophilia/coagulation disorder	1 ( 0)	0 ( 0)	1 ( 0)
Heterosexual contact	480 ( 50)	350 ( 66)	830 ( 56)
Receipt of blood, components, or tissue	3 ( 0)	3 ( 1)	6 ( 0)
Risk not reported/Other	150 ( 16)	73 ( 14)	223 ( 15)
<b>Total</b>	<b>954 (100)</b>	<b>529 (100)</b>	<b>1483 (100)</b>

	Pediatric Transmission Modes		Total ( %)
	Males ( %)	Females ( %)	
Hemophilia/coagulation disorder	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)
Mother with/at risk for HIV infection	26 (100)	24 (100)	50 (100)
Receipt of blood, components, or tissue	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)
Risk not reported/Other	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)
<b>Total</b>	<b>26 (100)</b>	<b>24 (100)</b>	<b>50 (100)</b>

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1 Disease Category	Adult/Adolescent *		Pediatric *		Total	
	Cases ( %)	Deaths ( %)	Cases ( %)	Deaths ( %)	Cases ( %)	Deaths ( %)
PCP	0 ( 0)	0 ( .)	0 ( 0)	0 ( .)	0 ( 0)	0 ( .)
Other Disease w/o PCP	0 ( 0)	0 ( .)	0 ( 0)	0 ( .)	0 ( 0)	0 ( .)
KS Alone	0 ( 0)	0 ( .)	0 ( 0)	0 ( .)	0 ( 0)	0 ( .)
No Diseases Listed	1930 (100)	52 ( 3)	11 (100)	1 ( 9)	1941 (100)	53 ( 3)
<b>Total</b>	<b>1930 (100)</b>	<b>52 ( 3)</b>	<b>11 (100)</b>	<b>1 ( 9)</b>	<b>1941 (100)</b>	<b>53 ( 3)</b>

2. Age *	Cases ( %)	3. Race/Ethnicity	Adult/Adolescent *	Pediatric *	Total
			Cases ( %)	Cases ( %)	Cases ( %)
Under 5	6 ( 0)	White, Not Hispanic	455 ( 24)	0 ( 0)	455 ( 23)
5-12	5 ( 0)	Black, Not Hispanic	1316 ( 68)	11 (100)	1327 ( 68)
13-19	84 ( 4)	Hispanic	145 ( 8)	0 ( 0)	145 ( 7)
20-29	466 ( 24)	Asian/Pacific Is.	6 ( 0)	0 ( 0)	6 ( 0)
30-39	675 ( 35)	Am. Indian/Alaska Native	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)
40-49	435 ( 22)	Unknown	8 ( 0)	0 ( 0)	8 ( 0)
Over 49	270 ( 14)				
Unknown	0 ( 0)	<b>Total</b>	<b>1930 (100)</b>	<b>11 (100)</b>	<b>1941 (100)</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1941 (100)</b>				

4. Exposure Category	Adult/Adolescent Transmission Modes		Total ( %)
	Males ( %)	Females ( %)	
Men who have sex with men	303 ( 29)	0 ( 0)	303 ( 16)
Injecting drug use	48 ( 5)	64 ( 7)	112 ( 6)
Men who have sex with men and inject drugs	33 ( 3)	0 ( 0)	33 ( 2)
Hemophilia/coagulation disorder	1 ( 0)	6 ( 1)	7 ( 0)
Heterosexual contact	347 ( 33)	546 ( 62)	893 ( 46)
Receipt of blood, components, or tissue	2 ( 0)	1 ( 0)	3 ( 0)
Risk not reported/Other	311 ( 30)	268 ( 30)	579 ( 30)
<b>Total</b>	<b>1045 (100)</b>	<b>885 (100)</b>	<b>1930 (100)</b>

	Pediatric Transmission Modes		Total ( %)
	Males ( %)	Females ( %)	
Hemophilia/coagulation disorder	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)
Mother with/at risk for HIV infection	2 (100)	7 ( 78)	9 ( 82)
Receipt of blood, components, or tissue	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)
Risk not reported/Other	0 ( 0)	2 ( 22)	2 ( 18)
<b>Total</b>	<b>2 (100)</b>	<b>9 (100)</b>	<b>11 (100)</b>

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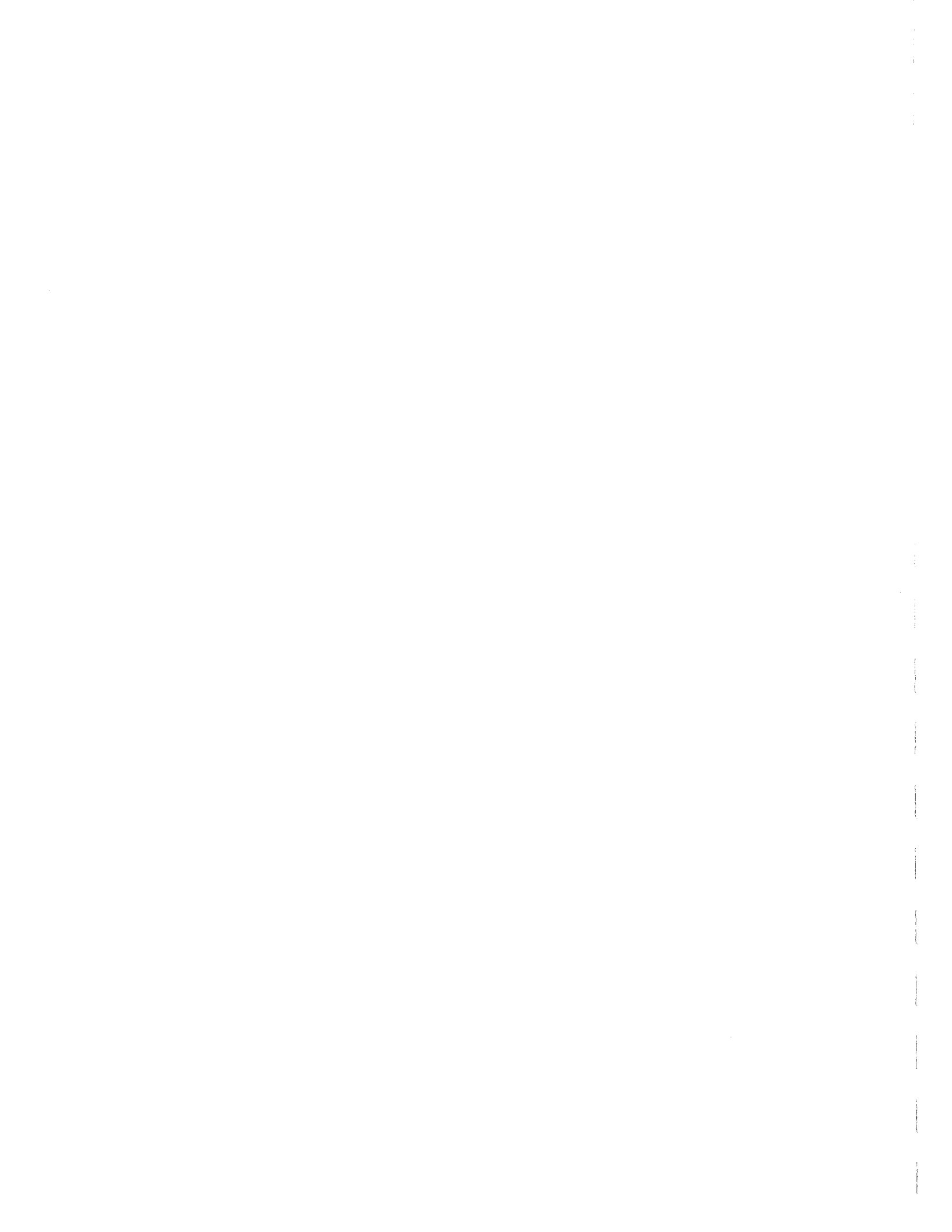
1. Disease Category	Adult/Adolescent *		Pediatric *		Total	
	Cases ( %)	Deaths ( %)	Cases ( %)	Deaths ( %)	Cases ( %)	Deaths ( %)
PCP	0 ( 0)	0 ( .)	0 ( 0)	0 ( .)	0 ( 0)	0 ( .)
Other Disease w/o PCP	0 ( 0)	0 ( .)	0 ( 0)	0 ( .)	0 ( 0)	0 ( .)
KS Alone	0 ( 0)	0 ( .)	0 ( 0)	0 ( .)	0 ( 0)	0 ( .)
No Diseases Listed	1747 (100)	43 ( 2)	10 (100)	1 ( 10)	1757 (100)	44 ( 3)
<b>Total</b>	<b>1747 (100)</b>	<b>43 ( 2)</b>	<b>10 (100)</b>	<b>1 ( 10)</b>	<b>1757 (100)</b>	<b>44 ( 3)</b>

2. Age *	Cases ( %)	3. Race/Ethnicity	Adult/Adolescent *	Pediatric *	Total
			Cases ( %)	Cases ( %)	Cases ( %)
Under 5	5 ( 0)	White, Not Hispanic	446 ( 26)	0 ( 0)	446 ( 25)
5-12	5 ( 0)	Black, Not Hispanic	1149 ( 66)	10 (100)	1159 ( 66)
13-19	76 ( 4)	Hispanic	138 ( 8)	0 ( 0)	138 ( 8)
20-29	421 ( 24)	Asian/Pacific Is.	6 ( 0)	0 ( 0)	6 ( 0)
30-39	621 ( 35)	Am. Indian/Alaska Native	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)
40-49	399 ( 23)	Unknown	8 ( 0)	0 ( 0)	8 ( 0)
Over 49	230 ( 13)				
Unknown	0 ( 0)	<b>Total</b>	<b>1747 (100)</b>	<b>10 (100)</b>	<b>1757 (100)</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1757 (100)</b>				

4. Exposure Category	Adult/Adolescent Transmission Modes		Total ( %)
	Males ( %)	Females ( %)	
Men who have sex with men	294 ( 31)	0 ( 0)	294 ( 17)
Injecting drug use	45 ( 5)	60 ( 8)	105 ( 6)
Men who have sex with men and inject drugs	31 ( 3)	0 ( 0)	31 ( 2)
Hemophilia/coagulation disorder	1 ( 0)	6 ( 1)	7 ( 0)
Heterosexual contact	297 ( 31)	487 ( 61)	784 ( 45)
Receipt of blood, components, or tissue	2 ( 0)	1 ( 0)	3 ( 0)
Risk not reported/Other	284 ( 30)	239 ( 30)	523 ( 30)
<b>Total</b>	<b>954 (100)</b>	<b>793 (100)</b>	<b>1747 (100)</b>

	Pediatric Transmission Modes		Total ( %)
	Males ( %)	Females ( %)	
Hemophilia/coagulation disorder	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)
Mother with/at risk for HIV infection	2 (100)	6 ( 75)	8 ( 80)
Receipt of blood, components, or tissue	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)
Risk not reported/Other	0 ( 0)	2 ( 25)	2 ( 20)
<b>Total</b>	<b>2 (100)</b>	<b>8 (100)</b>	<b>10 (100)</b>

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1. Disease Category	Adult/Adolescent *		Pediatric *		Total	
	Cases ( %)	Deaths ( %)	Cases ( %)	Deaths ( %)	Cases ( %)	Deaths ( %)
PCP	0 ( 0)	0 ( .)	0 ( 0)	0 ( .)	0 ( 0)	0 ( .)
Other Disease w/o PCP	0 ( 0)	0 ( .)	0 ( 0)	0 ( .)	0 ( 0)	0 ( .)
KS Alone	0 ( 0)	0 ( .)	0 ( 0)	0 ( .)	0 ( 0)	0 ( .)
No Diseases Listed	183 (100)	9 ( 5)	1 (100)	0 ( 0)	184 (100)	9 ( 5)
<b>Total</b>	<b>183 (100)</b>	<b>9 ( 5)</b>	<b>1 (100)</b>	<b>0 ( 0)</b>	<b>184 (100)</b>	<b>9 ( 5)</b>

2. Age *	Cases ( %)	3. Race/Ethnicity	Adult/Adolescent *	Pediatric *	Total
			Cases ( %)	Cases ( %)	Cases ( %)
Under 5	1 ( 1)	White, Not Hispanic	9 ( 5)	0 ( 0)	9 ( 5)
5-12	0 ( 0)	Black, Not Hispanic	167 ( 91)	1 (100)	168 ( 91)
13-19	8 ( 4)	Hispanic	7 ( 4)	0 ( 0)	7 ( 4)
20-29	45 ( 24)	Asian/Pacific Is.	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)
30-39	54 ( 29)	Am. Indian/Alaska Native	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)
40-49	36 ( 20)	Unknown	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)
Over 49	40 ( 22)				
Unknown	0 ( 0)	<b>Total</b>	<b>183 (100)</b>	<b>1 (100)</b>	<b>184 (100)</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>184 (100)</b>				

4. Exposure Category	Adult/Adolescent Transmission Modes		Total ( %)
	Males ( %)	Females ( %)	
Men who have sex with men	9 ( 10)	0 ( 0)	9 ( 5)
Injecting drug use	3 ( 3)	4 ( 4)	7 ( 4)
Men who have sex with men and inject drugs	2 ( 2)	0 ( 0)	2 ( 1)
Hemophilia/coagulation disorder	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)
Heterosexual contact	50 ( 55)	59 ( 64)	109 ( 60)
Receipt of blood, components, or tissue	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)
Risk not reported/Other	27 ( 30)	29 ( 32)	56 ( 31)
<b>Total</b>	<b>91 (100)</b>	<b>92 (100)</b>	<b>183 (100)</b>

	Pediatric Transmission Modes		Total ( %)
	Males ( %)	Females ( %)	
Hemophilia/coagulation disorder	0 ( .)	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)
Mother with/at risk for HIV infection	0 ( .)	1 (100)	1 (100)
Receipt of blood, components, or tissue	0 ( .)	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)
Risk not reported/Other	0 ( .)	0 ( 0)	0 ( 0)
<b>Total</b>	<b>0 (100)</b>	<b>1 (100)</b>	<b>1 (100)</b>

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