MEGATRENDS IN HCV, STI, & HIV





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Agenda Past, Past and Still Current, New

Local, State and Federal

- Background
- Mega Trends from 2024
- Mega Trends that are still relevant from 2024
- New 2025 Mega Trends
- Things that are no longer trends
- Q and A

24-0047 ETE Overview Category / Pillars

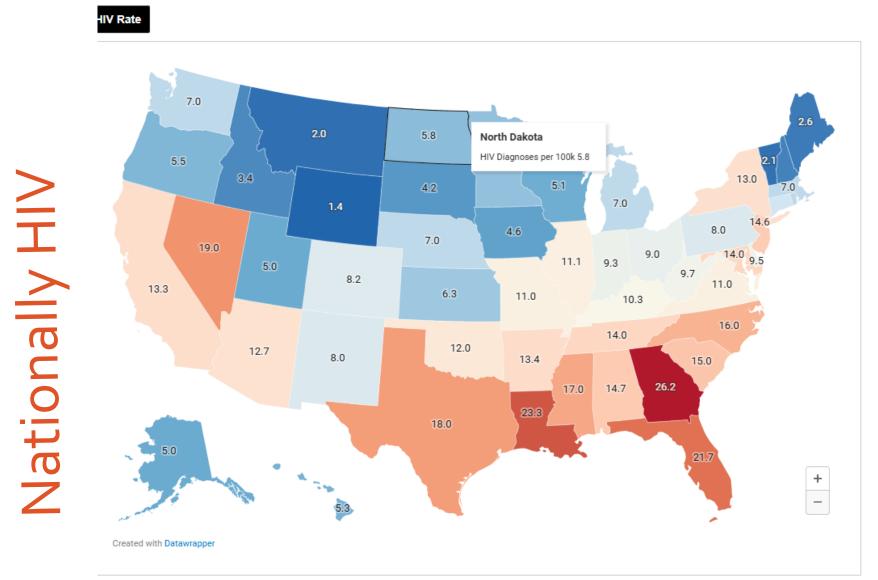
- 1. Test.
- 2. Treat.
- 3: Prevent.
- 4. Respond.

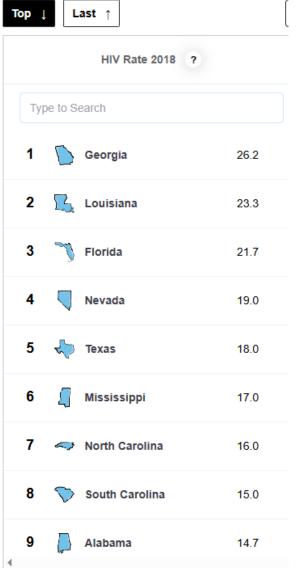
- 2024 (5 years cycle)
- A merge of 18-1802 and 20-2010
 - Share background
- National syndemic, HIV, STI, Hep-C

- 5.Core HIV surveillance.
- 6. Community engagement.



• https://www.datapandas.org/ranking/hiv-rates-by-state





Past Trends

Last Years Trends, 2024

- HIV rates dropping in many urban settings
- Working closer with surveillance
- Partner Services is harder (sex apps)
- Molecular HIV Surveillance requirements
- STI Rates going up
- Increased access to HCV treatment
- Increased overdose mortality

Past Trends and Still Continuing

Continuing Mega Trends 2025

- Long Acting Injectables, Care and PrEP
- Leaning into Syndemic, HIV, Hep-C, STI, Overdose
- Work Force, Retirement, Training, Lived Experience
- Doxy PEP
- Social Determinants of Health
- Telemedicine, Take Me Home
- Equity
- Cluster Detection and Response
- Ending the Epidemics
- Overdose Deaths, 2024 635, down from 810 from 2023

New Trends

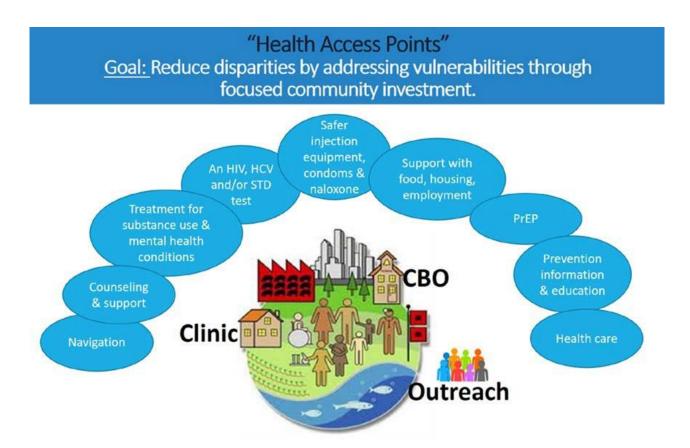
New Mega Trends 2025

- Unstable funding landscape
- Deconstructing of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion
- National attacks on Trans community
- National change in immigration enforcement
- Deconstructing reproductive health
- Research contracts ended

Current Funding Overview 2025/2026

			AMOUNT	AMOUNT
NAME	FUNDING TYPE	DATE	REQUESTED	AWARDED
CDC grant (PS-24-0047)	Federal	6/1/2025 - 5/31/2026	\$7,114,756	\$7,055,155
CDC HCV grant	Federal	7/1/2025 - 6/30/2026	\$315,000	\$115,000
CDPH HCV grant	State	5/1/2025 - 6/30/2026		\$200,371
Health Access Points (HAPS)	SF General Fund	7/1/2025 - 6/30/2026		\$15,791,800

Syndemic (De-siloing)



- <u>Nationally:</u> CDC is asking for local health departments to work with a syndemic approach
- San Francisco: The Health Access Points (HAPs) are providing HIV, Hep-C, STI and overdose prevention services
- Note: We have been working on integration, ahead of most

Health Access Point (HAP) Services, (Building Blocks)

Integrated HIV, HCV, and STI Testing

Linkage and Navigation

Health
Education and
Counseling

Overdose Prevention

Syringe Access and Disposal

Substance Use and Harm Reduction Services for Opioids, Stimulants, Alcohol, Tobacco, and Cannabis Community
Engagement
and
Mobilization

Condom Distribution

Basic Needs

Primary Care

Mental Health Services Prevention and Treatment Medication:
PrEP, Doxy-PEP and ART for HIV;
HCV Treatment; STI Treatment,
Including Medical Storage

Substance Use Treatment

Work Force, Retirement, Training, Lived Experience

- The workforce that started in early years (early 1990s) is retiring
- Many staff moved to COVID-19 and Mpox efforts
- Increased workforce development efforts with people experiencing/have experienced homelessness, youth, promotores, people who use drugs, people with history of incarceration, and trans community
- Increased value on lived experience
- Increase in overdose prevention efforts





Doxy PEP, Long-Acting HIV Injectables (Bio-Medical)

- <u>Nationally:</u> Many health departments in early stages or have not started, but most want to
- <u>San Francisco:</u> Has had early successes with Doxy PEP and Long Acting Injectables.
- Note: San Francisco is working on further expansion with a focus on disparities







Social Determinants of Health

Social determinants of health (SDoH) are the conditions in the environments where people are born, live, learn, work, play, worship, and age that affect a wide range of health, functioning, and quality-of-life outcomes and risks.

• Nationally: The term is used a lot. Not consistently used

• <u>San Francisco</u>: Many efforts are built into interventions, "wrap around services." Built into HAPs, (See next slides)

Telemedicine, Have Good Sex, Take Me Home

 Nationally: Increased telemedicine and home testing options. Helpful in addressing stigma and rural needs

 San Francisco: Home testing, Have Good Sex Social marketing Campaign connected to Take Me Home Testing Services

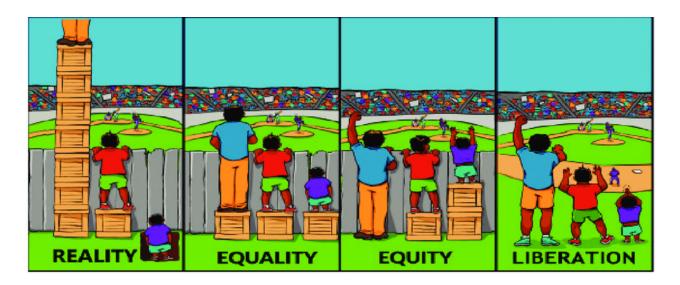


Equity

 Nationally: Used a lot. Some are leaning into it hard, and others are still trying

San Francisco: HAPs build on addressing equity

 <u>Note:</u> HAPs, Black/AA, Latino/a/e/x, Trans women, Youth, Men who Have Sex with Men, People who use Drugs, API



Cluster Detection and Response

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Ending the Epidemics (ETE) What does it means?

- Nationally: Looking at next cycle.
 For CDC merged
- <u>San Francisco: (Prevention)</u> We have merged ETE and other
- Note: Waiting to hear back on current application, funding



SF is Setting Trends



Looking at regional approaches



La Cumbre September 03, 2025

- Workforce Summit for Spanish Speaking Staff
- Bay Area, 5 counties
- 9:00 to 5:00 pm
- Main Library



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Thank you! Questions and Discussion



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