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INTRODUCTION

The National HIV/AIDS Strategy: Updated to 2020 (Strategy) includes 10 indicators to monitor annual progress towards achieving the goals of the Strategy. This Indicator Supplement is a companion document to the Strategy. It provides a summary of progress and detailed information on the specification of each indicator.

Each year, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) produces a report that includes the annual data for the Strategy’s indicators. The White House Office of National AIDS Policy has the responsibility for assessing the annual indicator data against the annual targets for each indicator to report on progress towards the 2020 indicator targets.

This year, the Indicator Supplement includes a Progress Report section that provides a graphic illustrating overall progress, a narrative description of progress and a detailed data table showing progress for each indicator. Because each disparity measure is assessed separately, the progress report describes 14 indicators.

Progress was assessed by comparing the most recent year of data to the annual target for that year. For some indicators, preliminary data are shown to provide a sense for future trends, but progress is assessed for the year prior. Assessments of progress are based on meeting the target or not and movement in the intended direction or not; statistical tests of trends or differences were not conducted.

The Indicator Specification section describes how each indicator is calculated. Additional information about the methods, data systems, and results are available in the references cited for each indicator. Readers should be mindful of updates to the calculations of some indicators, described more fully in the CDC data report.

As noted in the Strategy, three additional developmental indicators are in preparation. The indicators will monitor use of pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP), HIV stigma, and HIV among transgender persons. The developmental indicators are expected to be released in December 2016 and included in an updated Indicator Supplement.

NATIONAL HIV/AIDS STRATEGY: UPDATED TO 2020
MONITORING OUR PROGRESS

GOAL 1: REDUCING NEW HIV INFECTIONS

✔ Increase knowledge of serostatus
✔ Reduce new diagnoses
✗ Reduce HIV-risk behaviors among young gay and bisexual males

GOAL 2: IMPROVING HEALTH OUTCOMES FOR PEOPLE LIVING WITH HIV

✔ Increase linkage to care
✓ Increase retention in HIV care
✓ Increase viral suppression
✗ Reduce homelessness
✓ Reduce death rate

GOAL 3: REDUCING HIV-RELATED DISPARITIES

Reduce disparities in HIV diagnosis among:
✗ Gay and bisexual men
✗ Young Black gay and bisexual men
✔ Black females
✗ Persons living in the Southern US

Increase viral suppression among:
✔ Youth
✔ Persons who inject drugs

DEVELOPMENTAL INDICATORS

- Use of pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP)
- HIV stigma
- HIV among transgender persons

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PROGRESS REPORT

The most recent indicator data show that overall progress is being made in the fight against HIV, nationally and in key groups, including Black women, youth, and people who inject drugs. The data also show that we are not seeing progress on some indicators and that the disparities are widening for gay and bisexual men.

Since the 2010 baseline year, there has been progress across three goals of the Strategy: reducing new infections, improving health outcomes among people living with HIV, and reducing HIV-related disparities. Of the 14 total indicators, targets for the most recent year were met for 8 indicators. Progress was observed for one additional indicator (retention in HIV medical care), but the target was not met.

Notably, there were improvements in several key indicators:

- New HIV diagnoses decreased by 7% from 2010 to 2013.
- The death rate dropped by about 30%, approaching the 2020 target.
- Knowledge of serostatus, linkage to care, and viral suppression all increased.
- Disparities in HIV diagnoses for Black females decreased.
- Viral suppression increased among youth and people who inject drugs.

However, we are not seeing progress on some indicators. Targets for the most recent year were not met for 5 indicators.

- Although diagnoses dropped overall, progress in reducing the diagnosis disparity experienced in the Southern United States stalled.
- Homelessness among persons with HIV continued to inch upward.
- Among gay and bisexual men, indicators measuring the disparity in new diagnoses and HIV-risk behaviors showed increases, rather than the expected decreases from the baseline.

These data show that considerable progress is being made, but that all groups have not benefitted.
equally. We still have more progress to make in order to achieve the goals of the National HIV/AIDS Strategy by 2020.

Indicators are used to assess progress towards those goals, and annual progress assessments are designed to drive action by Federal, State, Tribal, and local agencies, organizations, and communities. Many new programs were initiated and existing programs were refined between 2013 (the year for which progress was assessed on most indicators) and 2016. Together, we have worked diligently to scale up access to effective HIV prevention tools and high quality HIV medical care. We have worked to deploy new scientific findings quickly and to use programmatic lessons learned in communities across the country to guide our efforts.

The Strategy’s Federal Action Plan delineates actions for 2016 through 2020, including actions focusing on gay and bisexual men and persons living in the Southern United States, and actions addressing housing for people living with HIV. The Strategy’s Community Action Plan Framework similarly serves as a guide for agencies, organizations, educational and health care delivery systems, and other groups to align their actions to achieve the goals of the Strategy. They can also use the Framework to address specific areas where the indicators suggest more effort and additional action are needed.

With the Strategy serving as our roadmap, we must not let up effort until we achieve our nation’s goals. If we let up in areas where we are seeing progress, we risk the possibility that our hard-won gains will be eroded over time. For indicators that did not meet their annual target, we must look carefully at the data and our actions. In some cases, it may be that current approaches are working but they have not been implemented at the right scale. In other cases, we may need to determine whether we are reaching the right people or delivering prevention and care services with the frequency or intensity that is needed to produce widespread change. And for some indicators, we may need to reconsider whether the most effective strategies are being employed and whether we need to change what we are doing or how we are doing it. It is only by working together, monitoring our annual progress, and continuing to improve our prevention and care efforts that we will be able to achieve these goals.
**INDICATOR 1**
Increase the percentage of people living with HIV who know their serostatus to at least 90 percent, from the baseline of 85.9 percent.

**PROGRESS:** In 2013, 87 percent of people living with HIV knew their serostatus. This result represents continued improvement and exceeded the annual target (86.5 percent).

**INDICATOR 2**
Reduce the number of new diagnoses by at least 25 percent, from 43,806 at baseline to 32,855.

**PROGRESS:** In 2013, there were 40,628 new HIV diagnoses. This result was lower than the annual target (42,163), and exceeded expected progress in reducing the number of new diagnoses. Preliminary data for 2014 indicate that continued declines may be expected.

Diagnosis trends must be considered in the context of HIV testing trends. Data used to monitor trends in HIV testing come from the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System. Although a statistically significant increase in testing during 2011-2013 was seen, the amount of increase was small (from 42.9 percent ever tested to 43.5 percent).2

Taken together, decreases in HIV diagnoses in the context of a slight increase in testing is encouraging. Additional years of diagnosis data and additional analyses about testing trends in high risk populations are needed to conclusively determine the extent to which these trends truly reflect declining incidence in the United States.

**INDICATOR 3**
Reduce the percentage of young gay and bisexual males who have engaged in HIV-risk behaviors by at least 10 percent, from the baseline of 34.1 percent.

**PROGRESS:** About one-third (35.2 percent) of young gay and bisexual male high school students had engaged in HIV-risk behaviors in 2015. This result did not meet the annual target (33.3 percent) and showed an increase from the 2013 baseline, rather than the expected decrease.

**INDICATOR 4**
Increase the percentage of newly diagnosed persons linked to HIV medical care within one month of diagnosis to at least 85 percent, from the baseline of 70.2 percent.

**PROGRESS:** About three in four (74.5 percent) of persons newly diagnosed with HIV in 2014 were linked to HIV medical care within one month of diagnosis. This result exceeded the annual target (73.9 percent).
**INDICATOR 5**
Increase the percentage of persons with diagnosed HIV infection who are retained in HIV medical care to at least 90 percent, from the baseline of 54.7 percent.

**PROGRESS:** More than half (56.5 percent) of persons with diagnosed HIV infection were retained in HIV medical care in 2013. This result did not meet the annual target (60.0 percent), suggesting that additional effort is needed in order to reach this goal. The percentage retained in care in 2013 was higher than the baseline level of 54.7 percent, indicating progress in the right direction.

**INDICATOR 6**
Increase the percentage of persons with diagnosed HIV infection who are virally suppressed to at least 80 percent, from the baseline of 46.0 percent.

**PROGRESS:** More than half (54.7 percent) of persons with diagnosed HIV infection were virally suppressed in 2013. This result exceeded the annual target (51.1 percent).

**INDICATOR 7**
Reduce the percentage of persons in HIV medical care who are homeless to no more than 5 percent, from the baseline of 7.7 percent.

**PROGRESS:** Of persons in HIV medical care, 9.0 percent were homeless in 2014. This result did not meet the annual target (7.0 percent) and showed an increase from the 2010 baseline, rather than the expected decrease. Additional effort to reduce homelessness among people in HIV medical care is needed in order to reach the target for 2020. It is troubling that homelessness among persons with HIV is not reflecting the same decreases in homelessness seen nationally in the overall population, with a 2 percent decline between 2013 and 2014 and an 11 percent decline since 2007.3

**INDICATOR 8**
Reduce the death rate among persons with diagnosed HIV infection by at least 33 percent, from the baseline of 23.5 per 1,000 persons with diagnosed HIV infection to 15.5.

**PROGRESS:** The death rate among persons with diagnosed HIV infection was 15.9 per 1,000 in 2013. This result was lower than the annual target (22.3), and exceeded expected progress.

**INDICATOR 9**
Reduce disparities in the rate of new diagnoses by at least 15 percent in the following groups: gay and bisexual men, young Black gay and bisexual men, Black females, and persons living in the Southern United States.

In 2013, the disparity ratios for gay and bisexual men overall and young Black gay and bisexual men specifically (22.1 and 117.2, respectively) did not meet the annual targets (20.0 and 106.9, respectively). These results reflect an increase from the 2010 baseline, rather than the expected decrease. Preliminary data for 2014 suggest these increases may continue.

The disparity ratio for Black females in 2013 (1.3) was lower than the annual target (1.7), exceeding expected progress in reducing disparities for this group. In fact, the ratio for 2013 for Black females exceeded the 2020 target of 1.4 and achieved the 15 percent reduction in the disparity ratio; the disparity target should be revised to be more than a 15 percent reduction.

The disparity ratio for persons living in the Southern United States in 2013 (0.35) did not meet the annual target (0.32). The annual target was met for 2012 but not 2013, suggesting progress has stalled.

Additional efforts are needed in order to reverse the increasing disparities seen for gay and bisexual men and persons living in the Southern United States.

**INDICATOR 10**

Increase the percentage of youth and persons who inject drugs with diagnosed HIV infection who are virally suppressed to at least 80 percent from the 30.9 percent and 39.6 percent baselines, respectively.

**PROGRESS:** Among youth, 43.7 percent were virally suppressed in 2013. This result exceeded the annual target (38.3 percent). Similarly, among persons who inject drugs, 47.1 percent were virally suppressed in 2013. This result exceeded the annual target (45.7 percent).
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Information on the rationale, data sources, and measures for each of these indicators is available at [https://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/docs/nhas_2020_indicator_supplement_8-15.pdf](https://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/docs/nhas_2020_indicator_supplement_8-15.pdf).

Note: Annual targets are for the most recent data year available (does not include preliminary data) and progress is assessed for the annual target. Progress: Green check = Annual target met; Yellow arrow = Annual target not met, progress in expected direction; Red x mark = Annual target not met, moving in the opposite direction.

* Preliminary data.

a Data collected every 2 years, starting in 2013. The 2013 estimate is based on data from 15 large urban school districts; the 2015 estimate is a national estimate.

b Death rate is measured per 1,000 persons with diagnosed HIV infection.

c Measures shown are ratios of the disparity rate in the specified group to the overall rate.
This section of the document provides detailed information on the measurement of each indicator. Additional information about the methods, data systems, and results are available in the references cited for each indicator.
**INDICATOR 1**

Increase the percentage of people living with HIV who know their serostatus to at least 90 percent.

**NATIONAL HIV/AIDS STRATEGY GOAL**
Reducing New HIV Infections.

**INDICATOR RATIONALE**
This indicator focuses on increasing serostatus awareness among persons living with HIV infection, as this awareness (i.e., being diagnosed with HIV infection) is necessary to access HIV medical care and support services. In addition, analyses suggest that persons unaware of their HIV infection may account for about one third of new infections, so increasing knowledge of serostatus is central to reducing new infections as well as improving health outcomes. The 90 percent target is the same as the target established by the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) for their 2020 indicators.

**BASELINE YEAR**
2010

**NUMERATOR**
Number of persons aged ≥13 years at diagnosis with diagnosed HIV infection at the end of the calendar year.

**DENOMINATOR**
Number of persons aged ≥13 years at diagnosis living with HIV infection (diagnosed or undiagnosed) at the end of the calendar year.

**DATA SOURCE**
National HIV Surveillance System (NHSS).

**DATA AVAILABILITY**
Data are released annually by CDC.
POPULATION COVERAGE
Includes all 50 states and the District of Columbia. Estimates are for persons aged ≥13 years at diagnosis.

DATA SOURCE LIMITATIONS
Data are estimates, based on diagnoses, severity of disease at diagnoses, and deaths, and are statistically adjusted for incomplete reporting, reporting delays, and missing transmission risk.

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REFERENCES AND RELATED MATERIALS
An HIV Surveillance Supplemental Report including these data is released annually; data from prior years may be updated. The most recent reference, including data for 2010-2013, is: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Monitoring selected national HIV prevention and care objectives by using HIV surveillance data—United States and 6 dependent areas, 2014. HIV Surveillance Supplemental Report 2016;21(No. 4). www.cdc.gov/hiv/library/reports/surveillance/. Published July 2016.
**INDICATOR 2**

Reduce the number of new diagnoses by at least 25 percent.

**NHAS GOAL**

Reducing New HIV Infections.

**INDICATOR RATIONALE**

This indicator measures progress towards the goal of reducing new infections. The 25 percent reduction in diagnoses is an ambitious target because it requires and encompasses improvement in all other indicators and in overall prevention, treatment, and care efforts. Although HIV incidence estimates were used previously as an indicator for the Strategy to measure reductions in new infections, these estimates have not provided a timely and consistent way to monitor progress. The estimated number of new infections has changed, and likely will continue to change over time, due to changes in HIV testing technology and incidence estimation methods. These changes make it difficult to use these data as an indicator to measure progress over time. In contrast, HIV diagnosis data are published in a routine and standardized format and are available for all states. Given these advantages, HIV diagnosis data are used for the indicator in the Strategy.

**BASELINE YEAR**

2010

**NUMERATOR**

Number of (unadjusted) HIV diagnoses among persons of all ages during the calendar year and reported to CDC within 18 months of the diagnosis year.

**DENOMINATOR**

None.

**DATA SOURCE**

National HIV Surveillance System (NHSS).

**DATA AVAILABILITY**

Data are released annually by CDC. Preliminary data are reported for the most current data and include all diagnoses reported to CDC within 6 months of the diagnosis year.
**POPULATION COVERAGE**
Includes all 50 States, the District of Columbia and 6 U.S. dependent areas.

**DATA SOURCE LIMITATIONS**
HIV diagnosis data may not be representative of all persons with HIV because not all infected persons have been tested or tested at a time when the infection could be detected and diagnosed. Anonymous tests are also not reported.

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Data for this indicator are published in the annual HIV Surveillance Report from CDC. Although the number of diagnoses may continue to be updated over time, and reflected in subsequent volumes of the HIV Surveillance Report, for the purposes of monitoring this indicator, the number of diagnoses will be set and no longer updated at 18 months after the end of the diagnosis year (e.g., the 2011 diagnoses were set in June 2013). The reference to the most recent HIV Surveillance Report is: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Monitoring selected national HIV prevention and care objectives by using HIV surveillance data—United States and 6 dependent areas, 2014. HIV Surveillance Supplemental Report 2016;21(No. 4). www.cdc.gov/hiv/library/reports/surveillance/. Published July 2016.

**NOTES**
1. The most recent year reported is considered “preliminary” as described above. Progress towards annual and 2020 NHAS targets is assessed for the most recent year with data that are not preliminary.

2. Using diagnosis data to track progress in reducing new HIV infections has some challenges. First, these data must be interpreted with consideration for trends in HIV testing, as changes in testing can lead to changes in diagnosis trends that are not related to trends in new infections. For example, if HIV diagnoses decrease, evaluation is required to determine whether this decrease is due to fewer HIV tests being conducted or HIV tests being performed on persons at lower risk, versus an indication of a decline in new HIV infections. Second, efforts to increase the percentage of people living with HIV who know their HIV status require an increase in diagnoses—meaning that, at least initially, achieving progress toward Indicator 1 may have a negative impact on progress toward Indicator 2. Over the longer term, diagnosing individuals who were previously undiagnosed will ultimately result in increased linkage to and retention in care and treatment, increased viral suppression, and decreased transmission to uninfected partners. This will reduce new infections, which will be reflected in a decrease in the number of new diagnoses.
**INDICATOR 3**

Reduce the percentage of young gay and bisexual men who have engaged in HIV-risk behaviors by at least 10 percent.

**NHAS GOAL**
Reducing New HIV Infections.

**INDICATOR RATIONALE**
This indicator measures HIV prevention behaviors in young gay and bisexual males, a group in which HIV infections have increased in recent years. Having an indicator specifically measuring risk for HIV acquisition among young gay and bisexual males reflects the need for effective prevention strategies to achieve the goal of reducing new infections in at-risk groups. The indicator measures behaviors using the Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System (YRBSS).

**BASELINE YEAR**
2013

**NUMERATOR**
Number of male students in grades 9-12 who ever had sexual intercourse with only males or with both males and females and who 1) had sexual intercourse during the past three months with three or more persons, or 2) had sexual intercourse during the past three months and did not use a condom during last sexual intercourse, or 3) ever injected any illegal drug.

**DENOMINATOR**
All male students in grades 9-12 who had ever had sexual intercourse with only males or with both males and females.

**DATA SOURCE**
Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System (YRBSS).

**DATA AVAILABILITY**
National data are collected every 2 years by CDC and released the year following data collection.
**POPULATION COVERAGE**

Starting in 2015, questions used to derive this indicator were added to the standard YRBSS questionnaire and the national YRBSS questionnaire so the estimates are nationally representative. The 2013 data (baseline for this indicator) were derived from surveys conducted by 15 large urban school districts in the following areas: Baltimore, Boston, Chicago, Detroit, District of Columbia, Fort Lauderdale, Houston, Los Angeles, Memphis, New York City, Orange County, Palm Beach, Philadelphia, San Diego, and San Francisco.

**DATA SOURCE LIMITATIONS**

YRBSS data are representative only of youth who attend school, not of all youth in this age group. Nationally representative data were not available for 2013, but they will be available starting in 2015. Data are subject to reporting biases, given the socially sensitive subject matter.

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An HIV Surveillance Supplemental Report including this indicator is released annually. The most recent reference, including data for 2015, is: *Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Monitoring selected national HIV prevention and care objectives by using HIV surveillance data—United States and 6 dependent areas, 2014. HIV Surveillance Supplemental Report 2016;21(No. 4).* www.cdc.gov/hiv/library/reports/surveillance/. Published July 2016. General information about YRBSS can be found in the following references:


**NOTES**

Because the baseline was calculated from 15 cities and the 2015 data are nationally representative, it will be important to consider trends in the nationally representative data over time.
INDICATOR 4

Increase the percentage of newly diagnosed persons linked to HIV medical care within one month of their HIV diagnosis to at least 85 percent.

NHAS GOAL
Increasing Access to Care and Improving Health Outcomes for People Living with HIV.

INDICATOR RATIONALE
In recognition of the benefits of early treatment and thus the need for immediate linkage to HIV medical care for all persons newly diagnosed with HIV, this indicator measures linkage to care within one month of diagnosis. This is an ambitious new target as the previous indicator called for linkage to care within three months of diagnosis.

BASELINE YEAR
2010

NUMERATOR
Number of persons aged ≥13 years newly diagnosed with HIV infection during the calendar year who were linked to care within one month of their diagnosis date as measured by a documented test result for a CD4 count or viral load.

DENOMINATOR
Number of persons aged ≥13 years newly diagnosed with HIV infection during the calendar year.

DATA SOURCE
National HIV Surveillance System (NHSS).

DATA AVAILABILITY
Data are released annually by CDC.
**POPULATION COVERAGE**

Data for this indicator are limited to jurisdictions with complete reporting of CD4 and viral load test results to CDC. The number of jurisdictions meeting these criteria each year are as follows: 2010—14 jurisdictions; 2011—19 jurisdictions; 2012—18 jurisdictions; 2013—28 jurisdictions; 2014—33 jurisdictions.

**DATA SOURCE LIMITATIONS**

The number of states with data included for this indicator is limited and the states included for analysis may vary from year to year. However, the number of states contributing data is expected to increase over time as more will have complete reporting of CD4 and viral load test results to CDC. The use of a laboratory test result (CD4 or viral load) as a proxy for a care visit has some limitations and may result in over- or underestimation of care visits.

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**REFERENCES AND RELATED MATERIALS**


**NOTES**

To assess changes in the indicator and account for changes in the number of states contributing data, we also assessed trends in linkage to care for the jurisdictions included at baseline that contribute data for each year of the assessment. The eight jurisdictions included at baseline that have contributed data for each year of the assessment saw increases in linkage to care within one month of diagnosis from 2010-2014 and met the annual target (special data run by CDC).
**INDICATOR 5**

Increase the percentage of persons with diagnosed HIV infection who are retained in HIV medical care to at least 90 percent.

**NATIONAL HIV/AIDS STRATEGY GOAL**

Increasing Access to Care and Improving Health Outcomes for People Living with HIV.

**INDICATOR RATIONALE**

In order for persons living with HIV infection to realize the full benefit of HIV medical care, they must stay in care over time. Doing so helps to achieve viral suppression that can improve health outcomes, reduce the risk of HIV transmission, and lower the number of new infections. The 2020 target will be difficult to reach, but is a key focus area of the Strategy. The target of 90 percent is comparable to the indicator used by UNAIDS.

**BASELINE YEAR**

2010

**NUMERATOR**

Number of persons aged ≥13 years with diagnosed HIV infection who had two care visits that were at least 90 days apart during the calendar year, as measured by documented test results for CD4 count or viral load.

**DENOMINATOR**

Number of persons aged ≥13 years with HIV infection diagnosed by previous year-end and alive at year-end.

**DATA SOURCE**

National HIV Surveillance System (NHSS).

**DATA AVAILABILITY**

Data are released annually by CDC.
**POPULATION COVERAGE**

Data for this indicator are limited to jurisdictions with complete reporting of CD4 and viral load test results to CDC. The number of jurisdictions meeting these criteria each year are as follows: 2010—19 jurisdictions; 2011—18 jurisdictions; 2012—28 jurisdictions; 2013—33 jurisdictions. Data from these 33 jurisdictions represent 69.5% of all persons aged >13 years living with diagnosed HIV infection at year-end 2013. The indicator is calculated among people whose most recent known address is in these jurisdictions and are alive as of the end of the specified year regardless of where they were diagnosed.

**DATA SOURCE LIMITATIONS**

The number of states with data included for this indicator is limited and the states included for analysis may vary from year to year. However, the number of states contributing data is expected to increase over time as more will have complete reporting of CD4 and viral load test results to CDC. The use of a laboratory test result (CD4 or viral load) as a proxy for a care visit has some limitations and may result in over- or underestimation of care visits.

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**NOTES**

People who have more than two visits may be considered retained in care, as long as one set of visits occurs at least 90 days apart.

To assess changes in the indicator and account for changes in the number of states contributing data, we also assessed trends in retention in care for the jurisdictions included at baseline that contribute data for each year of the assessment. The eight jurisdictions included at baseline that contributed data for each year of the assessment saw increases in retention in care from 2010-2013 but did not meet the annual target (special data run by CDC).
INDICATOR 6

Increase the percentage of persons with diagnosed HIV infection who are virally suppressed to at least 80 percent.

NATIONAL HIV/AIDS STRATEGY GOAL
Increasing Access to Care and Improving Health Outcomes for People Living with HIV.

INDICATOR RATIONALE
Accruing the full clinical and public health benefits of HIV medical care depends upon entry into a robust care continuum that includes early diagnosis, timely linkage to care, consistent access and adherence to HIV medical care and antiretroviral treatment, and ongoing monitoring to ensure viral suppression. As the endpoint of the continuum of care, it is important that the nation’s target for viral suppression is bold and ambitious. This target for the United States aligns with the 90-90-90 goals set by UNAIDS but uses a different denominator. That is, 90 percent of those diagnosed are retained and 90 percent of those retained are virally suppressed is approximately the same as 80 percent of those diagnosed being virally suppressed.

BASELINE YEAR
2010

NUMERATOR
Number of persons aged ≥13 years with diagnosed HIV infection whose most recent viral load test in the calendar year showed that HIV viral load was suppressed. Viral suppression was defined as a viral load result of <200 copies/mL at the most recent viral load test (except for 2010 when it was defined as ≤200 copies/mL).

DENOMINATOR
Number of persons aged ≥13 years with HIV infection diagnosed by previous year-end and alive at year-end.

DATA SOURCE
National HIV Surveillance System (NHSS).

DATA AVAILABILITY
Data are released annually by CDC.
**POPULATION COVERAGE**

Data for this indicator are limited to jurisdictions with complete reporting of CD4 and viral load test results to CDC. The number of jurisdictions meeting these criteria each year are as follows: 2010—19 jurisdictions; 2011—18 jurisdictions; 2012—28 jurisdictions; 2013—33 jurisdictions. Data from these 33 jurisdictions represent 69.5% of all persons aged ≥13 years living with diagnosed HIV infection at year-end 2013. The indicator is calculated among people whose most recent known address is in these jurisdictions and are alive as of the end of the specified year regardless of where they were diagnosed.

**DATA SOURCE LIMITATIONS**

The number of states with data included for this indicator is limited and the states included for analysis may vary from year to year. However, the number of states contributing data is expected to increase over time as more will have complete reporting of CD4 and viral load test results to CDC.

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**NOTES**

To assess changes in the indicator and account for changes in the number of states contributing data, we also assessed trends in viral suppression for the jurisdictions included at baseline that contribute data for each year of the assessment. The eight jurisdictions included at baseline that contributed data for each year of the assessment saw increases in viral suppression from 2010-2013 and exceeded the annual target (special data run by CDC).
INDICATOR 7

Reduce the percentage of persons in HIV medical care who are homeless to no more than 5 percent.

NATIONAL HIV/AIDS STRATEGY GOAL
Increasing Access to Care and Improving Health Outcomes for People Living with HIV.

INDICATOR RATIONALE
Housing status is an important factor affecting access to HIV care and health outcomes. This indicator measures homelessness among persons in HIV medical care, using the Medical Monitoring Project (MMP) as the data source. As the proportion of those who are homeless decreases, it will take considerable effort to reach the small proportion of those still requiring housing assistance.

BASELINE YEAR
2010

NUMERATOR
Number of persons aged ≥18 years who received outpatient medical care for HIV infection during January through April of the calendar year, and report having been homeless during the 12 months prior to interview. Homelessness is defined as living on the street, living in a shelter, living in a single-room-occupancy hotel, or living in a car.

DENOMINATOR
All persons aged ≥18 years who received outpatient medical care for HIV infection during January through April of the calendar year, as documented in the medical record.

DATA SOURCE
Medical Monitoring Project (MMP)

DATA AVAILABILITY
Data are expected to be released annually by CDC.
**POPULATION COVERAGE**
MMP uses three-stage sampling to achieve annual representative samples of adults receiving HIV care in the United States. MMP only samples persons aged 18 years and older. The jurisdictions that provide the relevant data account for 80 percent of the total HIV cases in the United States. These include: California, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Mississippi, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, Texas, Virginia, Washington, Chicago, Houston, Los Angeles County, New York City, Philadelphia, and San Francisco.

**DATA SOURCE LIMITATIONS**
Self-reported data may be subject to social response bias. Data may be an underestimate because only persons receiving medical care during January-April are included.

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INDICATOR 8
Reduce the death rate among persons with diagnosed HIV infection by at least 33 percent.

NATIONAL HIV/AIDS STRATEGY GOAL
Increasing Access to Care and Improving Health Outcomes for People Living with HIV.

INDICATOR RATIONALE
An indicator to monitor all-cause death rates among persons with HIV was included in the Strategy because reducing mortality is an anticipated outcome of achieving all of the goals of the Strategy. This indicator reflects the overall quality of HIV medical care received, such that sustained delivery of high quality care should lead to greater reductions in death rates for persons living with HIV infection.

BASELINE YEAR
2010

NUMERATOR
Estimated number of deaths during a calendar year among persons aged ≥13 years with diagnosed HIV infection.

DENOMINATOR
Estimated total number of persons with diagnosed HIV infection, aged ≥13 years, at the end of the previous year plus the number of persons, aged ≥13 years, with newly diagnosed infection in the year of the deaths. The rate is measured per 1,000 persons with diagnosed HIV infection.

DATA SOURCE
National HIV Surveillance System (NHSS).

DATA AVAILABILITY
Data are released annually by CDC.
**POPULATION COVERAGE**
Includes all 50 states and the District of Columbia.

**DATA SOURCE LIMITATIONS**
Data are adjusted for reporting delay. Estimates of deaths for the most recent year are subject to uncertainty due to delays in reporting.

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**REFERENCES AND RELATED MATERIALS**
An HIV Surveillance Supplemental Report including these data is released annually. Although the number of deaths may continue to be updated over time, and reflected in subsequent volumes of the HIV Surveillance Supplemental Report, for the purposes of this indicator the number of deaths will not be updated in future years. The most recent reference, including data for 2013, is: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Monitoring selected national HIV prevention and care objectives by using HIV surveillance data—United States and 6 dependent areas, 2014. HIV Surveillance Supplemental Report 2016;21(No. 4). www.cdc.gov/hiv/library/reports/surveillance/. Published July 2016.

**NOTES**
The age restrictions (> 13 years) are based on age at diagnosis. All-cause mortality, rather than HIV-related mortality, was measured given limitations in ascertainment and completeness of reporting cause of death due to HIV infection in vital statistics.
**INDICATOR 9**

Reduce disparities in the rate of new diagnoses by at least **15 percent** in the following groups: gay and bisexual men, young Black gay and bisexual men, Black females, and persons living in the Southern United States.

**NATIONAL HIV/AIDS STRATEGY GOAL**

Reducing HIV-Related Disparities and Health Inequities.

**INDICATOR RATIONALE**

This indicator monitors disparities in diagnosis rates for disproportionately affected groups by measuring changes in the ratio of the disparity rate for each group (numerator) and the overall population rate (denominator). The ratio provides a measure of the disparity, such that the ratio increases as the difference widens between a selected group and the overall population and decreases as the difference narrows. The choice of measuring diagnosis rates, rather than numbers, was made to standardize measures (i.e., per 100,000 population).

**BASELINE YEAR**

2010

**NUMERATOR**

The diagnosis disparity rate for the specified group (see the Population Coverage section below for the groups). Diagnosis disparity rate is calculated by subtracting the diagnosis rate for the overall population from the diagnosis rate for the specified group (see Notes). The diagnosis rate is calculated from the number of (unadjusted) HIV diagnoses during the calendar year and reported to CDC within 18 months of the diagnosis year.

**DENOMINATOR**

The rate of HIV diagnosis for the overall population in the calendar year. The overall population is defined as persons of all ages in the 50 states and the District of Columbia. The rate is per 100,000 population.

**DATA SOURCE**

National HIV Surveillance System (NHSS), Census, Estimate of population size of gay and bisexual men.

**DATA AVAILABILITY**

Surveillance data are released annually by CDC. Census data are also released annually by the Bureau of the Census. Data for the most current data year include all diagnoses reported to CDC within 6 months of the diagnosis year and are considered preliminary.
POPULATION COVERAGE
Four groups are specified for this indicator: gay and bisexual men aged >13 years in the 50 states and the District of Columbia; young Black gay and bisexual men aged 13-24 years in the 50 States and the District of Columbia; Black females aged >13 years in the 50 States and the District of Columbia; and persons living in the Southern United States (all age groups) which is comprised of the District of Columbia and the following states: Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, and West Virginia.

DATA SOURCE LIMITATIONS
HIV diagnosis data may not be representative of all persons with HIV because not all infected persons have been tested or tested at a time when the infection could be detected and diagnosed. Anonymous tests are also not reported. Transmission risk is estimated for those with missing risk information. The population estimates for gay and bisexual men may be underestimated due to social response bias in self-reported data; population data for other groups are from the Census.

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NOTES
The disparity ratio monitored for this indicator is based on the following:

1. The diagnosis rate for the overall population;
2. The diagnosis rate for each specific group (i.e., gay and bisexual men, young Black gay and bisexual men, Black females, and persons living in the Southern United States);
3. The diagnosis disparity rate, which is the difference in rates between the overall population (#1) and each specific group (#2); and
4. The diagnosis disparity ratio, which is the ratio of the diagnosis disparity rate (#3) to the overall rate (#1).

The US census count was used to calculate rates per 100,000 persons for each group. To obtain a population estimate for gay and bisexual men and young black gay and bisexual men, the census count for males and young black males, respectively, was multiplied by 6.9%, based on the population estimate reported by Purcell et al cited above.
To calculate the HIV diagnosis rate for the overall population, the number of diagnoses for the overall population (persons of all ages in the 50 states and the District of Columbia) was divided by total US census population and multiplied by 100,000. To calculate HIV diagnosis rates for the specified groups, the number of diagnoses for the group (in the 50 states and the District of Columbia) was divided by appropriate US census population and multiplied by 100,000.
INDICATOR 10

Increase the percentage of youth and persons who inject drugs with diagnosed HIV infection who are virally suppressed to at least 80 percent.

NATIONAL HIV/AIDS STRATEGY GOAL
Reducing HIV-Related Disparities and Health Inequities.

INDICATOR RATIONALE
This indicator extends a focus on viral suppression to youth and persons who inject drugs (PWID), given data showing important disparities in viral suppression (i.e., lower proportion virally suppressed) for these groups in comparison to the overall. Ensuring that the target for viral suppression for the two groups is the same as the overall target reduces the disparity in these groups.

BASELINE YEAR
2010

NUMERATOR
Number of HIV-diagnosed adults aged ≥13 years in the specified group (i.e., youth or persons who inject drugs) whose most recent viral load test in the calendar year showed that HIV viral load was suppressed. Viral suppression was defined as a viral load result of <200 copies/mL at the most recent viral load test (except for 2010 when it was defined as ≤200 copies/mL).

DENOMINATOR
Number of persons aged ≥13 years with HIV infection diagnosed by previous year-end and alive at year-end.

DATA SOURCE
National HIV Surveillance System (NHSS).

DATA AVAILABILITY
Data are released annually by CDC.
POPULATION COVERAGE
Data for this indicator are limited to jurisdictions with complete reporting of CD4 and viral load test results to CDC. The number of jurisdictions meeting these criteria each year are as follows: 2010—19 jurisdictions; 2011—18 jurisdictions; 2012—28 jurisdictions; 2013—33 jurisdictions. Data from these 33 jurisdictions represent 69.5% of all persons aged ≥13 years living with diagnosed HIV infection at year-end 2013. The indicator is calculated among people whose most recent known address is in these jurisdictions and are alive as of the end of the specified year regardless of where they were diagnosed.

DATA SOURCE LIMITATIONS
The number of states with data included for this indicator is limited and the states included for analysis may vary from year to year. However, the number of states contributing data is expected to increase over time as more will have complete reporting of CD4 and viral load test results to CDC.

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