Welcome to the HIV/AIDS Prevention and Control Division link on the Florida Department of Health in Leon County webpage. Here you will information on the services provided not only in Leon County, but also throughout the region of Operations, as this team provides services to 14 counties throughout the Big Bend of Northwest Florida. Our program is comprised of three distinct teams, whose combined effort provides coverage not only for our Leon county operations, but also for the entire region.

(Note: Service Area; 2A Counties; Gulf, Washington, Calhoun, Jackson, Bay, and Holmes Counties; Area 2B; Franklin, Gadsden, Leon, Liberty, Jefferson, Madison, Taylor, and Wakulla Counties)

Administrative Team: The administrative team provides fiscal management of local budget and resources, as well as, for our regional operation for DOH funded activities providing HIV/AIDS Prevention, Care, and support to clients throughout our region of operations, in that all contract management is conducted by members of this team. The administrative team is led by the HIV/AIDS Program Coordinator, who provides supervision, guidance, and training support to all staff affiliated with the program. The administrative team, also provides, local logistical support, for the full division, and the primary contact for information, requests for support, and program management. The team lead is also an adjunct member of each team. You may reach the HAPC, via phone: 850-606-8266, or via email: Leroy_Jackson@doh.state.fl.us.

Community Mobilization Team: The Team Lead for this team is the Early Intervention Consultant, whose primary responsibility is to provide development and technical assistance to our local and regional testing locations and tests sites. In addition to our EIC, included on this team is the Minority AIDS Coordinator (Supports 14 counties, Areas 2A and 2B), responsible for addressing the issues and concerns impacted our minority, and underserved populations, the Prevention Training Consultant, who provides educational Awareness/Educational presentations throughout the region. The PTC is also the primary agent through which agencies and programs can request speakers, capacity building, printed and audio-visual materials for support of community events. Our 2B Sexual Violence Prevention Program Director is also a member of this team. You may reach our Community Mobilization Lead, via phone at 850-606-8269, or via email: Samuel_Carter@doh.state.fl.us.

Patient Care Team: The patient care team includes the Area 2A/2B Surveillance Program Consultant, the FAMU Resident Pharmacist, and the AIDS Drugs Assistance Program Coordinator for Leon County. The ADAP Coordinator is the lead for this program. Our ADAP Coordinator also serves as the primary DATA Entry Special for the Area 2A/2B STD Prevention and Control Program. The patient care team serves as our primary contacts with local and regional health care institutions, laboratories, and other reporting entities. This team also supports face-to-face linkage to care for clients eligible to reach our patient care team lead, you may call 850-606-8257, or email: Marvis_Bailey@doh.state.fl.us.

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Services:

HIV/AIDS Information and Program Support Services (Brochures, Data, Videos, Equipment: Cameras, LCD Projectors) (850-606-8266)

HIV/AIDS Counseling, and Testing (Rapid and Oral Testing available 8am-5pm) Night Clinic Testing available, 1st and 3rd Wednesday of month, 5pm until 8pm at Orange Avenue site (By appointment only, please call, 850-606-8272, for appointment)

HIV/AIDS Training: HIV 101 Course (Basic 2hrs); HIV 500/501 Counseling Testing, and Linkage-to-Care, 2-3 days, depending on primary audience; HIV/AIDS Update 2hrs (required yearly of all CTL Counselors). Please call for availability: 850-606-8264/8269/8266

Life Skills Management Programs, Testing Site Location/Site development and support, 850-606-8269

Cultural Competency/Diversity Training, 850-606-8266

Business Response to AIDS Initiative (BRTA) programs: Getting local businesses to collaborate with our Awareness Campaigns. (850-606-8268)

AIDS Drugs Assistance Program enrollment, certification and recertification for all persons qualified for pharmaceutical support (Patient must have all required paperwork, and only by appointment). Please check with Ryan White, PAC, or Part C Case Manager for information on required documents /ID/Medical records or lab results, needed for ADAP enrollment, prior to calling for an appointment with the ADAP Coordinator.

Housing Assistance: The Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) program is a federally-funded initiative that helps people maintain stable housing, and have access to treatment and support services — which can all lead to better health. In Florida, eleven regional agencies and six cities deliver
HOPWA-funded housing services. If you need assistance to remain in your current housing or obtain new housing, have a conversation with your local HOPWA provider agency to find out if they can help you.

https://housingforbetterhealth.com/

Program Activities

1. Into the Night: In order to reach those members of the community who entertain non-conventional work hours, the outreach and prevention teams deploy to a variety of neighborhoods where the incidence of HIV/AIDS, STD, and other medical issues are prevalent. These hours of operation are between 8pm and 2am in the morning. They always deploy in teams, with a supervisor standing by throughout the operation via telephone, computer to provide guidance, support, and as a safety contact for deployed individuals. During these operations, the members of the community are offered CTL (Counseling, Testing, and Linkage-to-Care) services on HIV/AIDS and other health conditions.

2. Dorm Storm: Because many of the students who attend our local institutions of higher learning are without transportation, the Outreach and Prevention team performs CTL Services at apartment complexes, which cater to students, as well as, on campus (always with the consent and guidance of the school officials and administrators). Informational seminars, such as Life Skills Management, Sexual Violence Prevention, and Cultural Competency are also provided.

3. Night Clinic: On several occasions, usually once a month, the Leon County Health Department’s HIV/AIDS program conducts a night clinic where CTL services are made available. The 1st Wednesday of each month, we offer free rapid HIV Screenings from 5pm until 8pm, along with “Life Skills Training”. The 3rd Wednesday of every month, the staff members offer rapid HIV/AIDS testing from 5:30 until 8pm. Again, this time frame and activity is used to provide services to those members of our community who cannot access the Leon CHD Services during conventional work hours. The clinic is manned by two or more staff, and a supervisor is always on-call to provide guidance and support, via telephone or in-house.

4. Project U-Turn: This program was initiated in 2009 in concert with Star Metro, the city’s mass transit agency. Our outreach and prevention team staff, usually augmented by a cadre of students and
volunteers board the buses in a variety of locations throughout the city. The members of the team are equipped with condoms for distribution, testing kits, informational brochures on not only our program’s services, but those of the local health department, and other community resources.

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