

Los Angeles County Ending the HIV Epidemic Plan: Identifying Gaps and Building Bridges for Regional Coordination

Regional Response to End the HIV Epidemic in California

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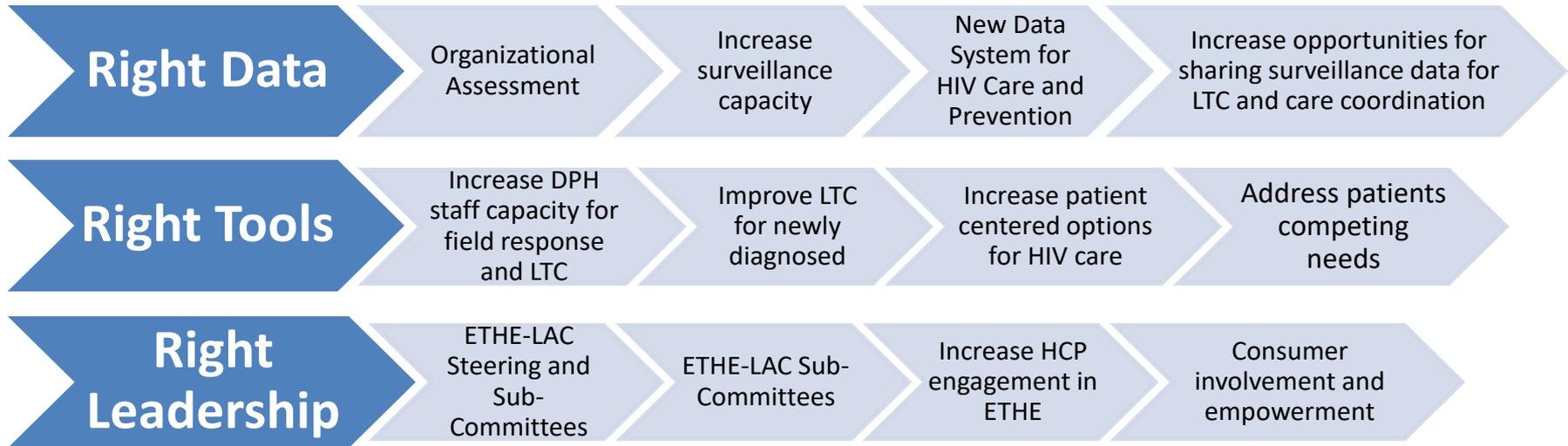
Los Angeles County Geography



- Over 4,000 square miles
- 88 cities
- Over 100 unincorporated areas
- Urban, suburban, and rural areas
- 26 health districts
- 26% of Californians lives in Los Angeles County

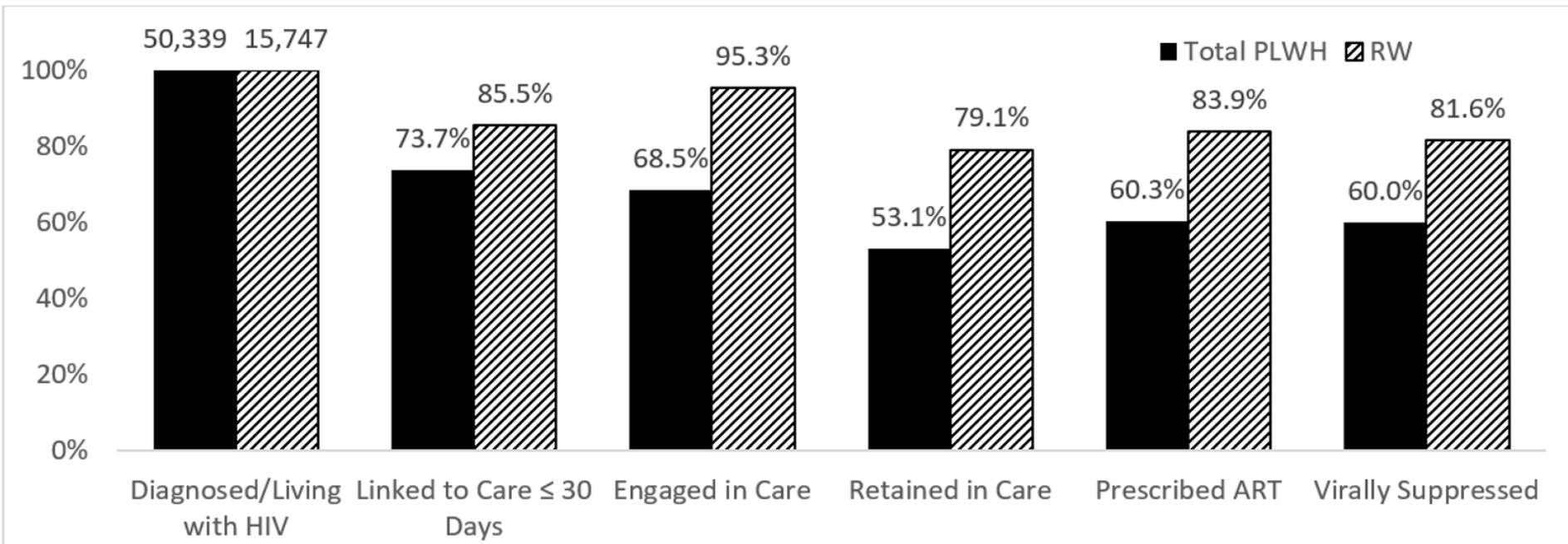


LAC EtHE Initiative Framework





2018 Overall LAC and Local RWP HIV Care Continuum Comparison



Diagnosed=Diagnosed in 2017 and living in LAC on December 31, 2018



Key Community Engagement Activities

ACCELERATED PLANNING FOR
ENDING THE HIV EPIDEMIC:
NOVEMBER 14, 2019 COH
ANNUAL MEETING

KEY TAKEAWAYS



New funding & resources are coming to LA County

The Division of HIV & STD Programs (DHSP) applied for both HRSA and CDC funding opportunities released to support the federal initiative. Planning grants to support *Ending the HIV Epidemic* research were awarded to both UCLA (3 grants) and UCSD (1 grant).



We have the right data, right tools, and right leadership

Given the focus on HIV at the national level, the advances in treatment and biomedical prevention, and the leadership at local, state and federal levels, acknowledging leadership includes people living with HIV, we have the impetus and energy to move towards a HIV-free generation.



Multi-sector commitment is needed to achieve the federal goal

Presentations from various leaders of key organizations in the County and input from the community emphasized the importance of multi-sector partnerships and collaboration. Los Angeles County plans to collaborate across regions (Orange County, San Diego, etc.).



Innovation is vital for ending the HIV epidemic

DHSP is holding focus groups for input on the development of a Undetectable = Untransmittable marketing campaign & is looking to build workforce capacity on sex positivity, equity, and social justice to support the local LA County HIV/AIDS Strategy, in addition to new efforts from new *Ending the HIV Epidemic* funding and resources.



Additional Key Points

- Service capacity remains uneven and inconsistent with needs and demand for services
- HIV Workforce stressors and demands persist
- Acute economic conditions, SUD, homelessness, health care access patterns (poor, uneven or inconsistent), growing STD epidemics, HIV-related stigma, transphobia, homophobia and medical mistrust continue to challenge progress
- Differing levels of PH capacity, PH priorities and commitment to evidence-based interventions



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