



LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION ON HIV



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Information and Resource Updates from the Commission on HIV: Sustaining the HIV Movement Amidst the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (March 20, 2020)

While Commission on HIV (COH) meetings are cancelled through the end of March 2020 and County facilities are closed to the public, staff are available to keep our important work of ending the HIV and STD epidemics moving forward. We appreciate your patience as we update our website and HIV Connect for information and resources. Thank you.

1. COVID-19 Information

From our Federal and National Partners:

- The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) is working to keep Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program recipients, subrecipients, and partners updated on the latest information regarding COVID-19. As part of that effort, HRSA's HIV/AIDS Bureau (HAB) has launched a [Frequently Asked Question \(FAQ\) webpage on the HAB website](#), which HAB is monitoring and updating as new information is made available.
- The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Health Center Program has launched a [Health Center Program COVID-19 Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQs\)](#) for COVID-19 updates for community health clinics.
- [Up-to-date information about COVID-19](#) is available from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

From California Department of Public Health, Office of AIDS:

- [COVID-19 and PLWH Fact Sheet from Office of AIDS, California Department of Public Health](#)
- Magellan Rx Management in coordination with the California Department of Public Health's (CDPH) Office of AIDS, [AIDS Drug Assistance Program \(ADAP\)](#) are working together to ensure access to medications. If you have additional questions related to your CA ADAP prescription drug coverage, please contact Magellan Customer Service at 1-800-424-5906, available 24 hours a day and 7 days a week. For questions related to ADAP enrollment or eligibility, please contact CDPH at 1-844-421-7050.

From Los Angeles County:

- [County-wide](#) resources, information, and emergency response activities
- HIV resources from [HIVConnect](#)

From our Non-Profit and Private Sector Partners:

- Access this [list of resources](#) to help undocumented individuals and allies navigate the crisis from Immigrants Rising.
- [Gilead Advancing Access Program](#) is available help patients have access to their medications

2. Friendly Reminder: Public Comments for Emergency Financial Assistance Service Standards

The Commission on HIV invites you and your colleagues to provide public comment on the updated standards of care for *Emergency Financial Assistance*. The public comment period is open through Thursday, April 2, 2020. Standards of care outline the minimum expectations a Ryan White Part A service provider must follow to ensure the same fundamental components are offered to clients and to reduce barriers for clients accessing services.

Please **email comments to HIVComm@lachiv.org by Thursday, April 2** and feel free to share widely. The draft standards is posted on the Commission [website](#). For more information on Ryan White Standards of Care, visit [Target HIV - Service Standards](#).

3. Spread Kindness During Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic: Words from Rabbi Yosef Kanefsky

“Every hand that we don’t shake must become a phone call that we place. Every embrace that we avoid must become a verbal expression of warmth and concern. Every inch and every foot that we physically place between ourselves and another, must become a thought as to how we might be of help to that other, should the need arise.”