

Northern Region

Northern Region Goal 2

National Goal 2: Increasing access to care and improving health outcomes for people living with HIV

National Objective 4: Increase the percentage of newly diagnosed persons linked to HIV medical care within one month of their HIV diagnosis to at least 85%.

Local Objective

Strategy 1: Prevention, Testing and Linkage to Care (pages 9, 10)

Activity 1: Provider Education- Increase number of health care providers who are knowledgeable about linkage to care and integration in primary care: AETC, Project ECHO (provider to provider educ)

Activity 2: Research strategies for best fit in the community, ie: Social Network Strategies, Provider/Agency education

Activity 3: Build collaborations with substance abuse agencies in N. AZ, promote testing and linkage to care

Strategy 2: Streamline Processes (Data, pages 7, 8; Mixed Bag, pages 15, 16)

Activity 1: Clear referral processes for all steps of linkage. Utilize HIVAZ.org and other resources.

Activity 2: Clear communication between health entities (County, State, Providers) and healthcare agencies serving native populations.

Activity 3: Clearly identified care navigation in all communities.

Strategy 3: Patient Centered Care (pages 13, 14)

Activity 1: Culturally competent, warm hand-offs between service providers

Activity 2: Increase in provider (health and community) education for culturally competent care issues- ie: motivational interviewing, trauma-informed care, ARTAS, cultural competency. Available in community, online, on-demand etc.

National Objective 5: Increase the percentage of persons with diagnosed HIV infection who are retained in HIV medical care to at least 90%.

Local Objective:

Strategy 1: Patient Centered Care (pages 13, 14)

Activity 1: Identify health team models or strategies that would be effective in rural communities.

Activity 2: Identify barriers being experienced by healthcare providers, assets available in community.

Strategy 2: Funding (pages 5, 6)

Activity 1: Specify funding and services for retention in care. Community services (street outreach) for re-engagement.

Activity 2: Pursue other funding (outside of CDC and HRSA) ie: foundation and research funding.

Activity 3: Partnerships more lucrative for both community agencies and medical providers- ie: lowering ED recidivism, ACA/insurance knowledge around treatment.

Strategy 3: Data Standardization (Data, pages 7,8)

Activity 1: Streamline assessment/intake processes and share data among providers. Collectively guide needs and services.

Activity 2: Creation of universal tools.

Northern Region Goal 3

National Goal 3: Reducing HIV-related disparities and health inequalities

National Objective 1: Increase the percentage of people living with HIV who know their serostatus to at least 90%.

Local Objective:

Strategy 1: Stigma (Patient Centered Care, pages 13, 14)

Activity 1: Assessment of stigma surrounding HIV in Northern Arizona. What factors, needs, barriers exist?

Activity 2: Provider education to promote routine testing as part of wellness. Reduce provider stigma regarding HIV.

Strategy 2: Community Engagement (Collaboration, pages 11, 12)

Activity 1: Community engagement around de-stigmatizing HIV testing.

Activity 2: Collaboration with Native communities around culturally competent sexual health education and messaging.

Strategy 3: Funding (pages 5, 6)

Activity 1: Determining availability of funding for routine testing- ie ACA, insurance etc. What needs to be bundled and what needs to be separated to get best funding for services.

Activity 2: Integrating other services, STI screenings, HCV. Bundling those services for reimbursement.

Activity 3: Identify low-cost/free resources or other resources for co-infection both locally and in surrounding areas.

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Local Objective: copy and paste from Goal 2- objective

Strategy 1: Patient Centered Care (pages 13, 14)

Activity 1:

Activity 2:

Strategy 2: Community Engagement (Collaboration, pages 11, 12)

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Strategy 3: Stigma (Patient Centered Care, pages 13, 14)

Activity 1:

Activity 2:

Northern Region Goal 4

National Goal 4: Achieving a more coordinated response to the HIV epidemic

National Objective 1: Increase the percentage of people living with HIV who know their serostatus to at least 90%.

Local Objective:

Strategy 1: Community Engagement (Collaboration, pages 11, 12)

Activity 1: Add community members to current collaborations, resources available in Northern area. Ie: local planning, task forces, town halls. Consider location, methods of communication.

Activity 2: Develop methods for community input that are more confidential. Resources/media in appropriate places for each rural community.

Activity 3: Create county specific engagement plans.

Strategy 2: Prevention, Testing and Linkage to Care (pages 9, 10)

Activity 1: Integrate HIV testing into sexual health care, STI, HIV, HCV.

Activity 2: Coordinate with other agencies, programs who are doing testing. Consider needs of various age groups and populations.

Strategy 3: Education (pages 1, 2)

Activity 1: Identify institutions serving youth and young adults who are open to providing programming in sexual health.

Activity 2: Partner with Office of Women’s and Children’s Health – reproductive health program to include HIV.

Activity 3: Partner with RBHA services to provide sexual health education.

Activity 4: Determine best practices in sexual health education to provide resources to entities. Curriculum, videos for provider waiting rooms etc.

Activity 5: Partner with Universities/Colleges for Education

National Objective 4: Increase the percentage of newly diagnosed persons linked to HIV medical care within one month of their HIV diagnosis to at least 85%.

Local Objective: Copy from Goal 2, add state sponsored support, guidance, standardized materials, coordinated at state level also. Resources and tools available across state.

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Strategy 2: Patient Centered Care (pages 13, 14)

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Strategy 3: Streamline Processes (Data, pages 7, 8; Mixed Bag, pages 15, 16)

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