



## World AIDS Day

Today, communities in Oregon and around the world are coming together for World AIDS Day. To honor this day, OHA participated in CDC's Facing AIDS campaign (as shown to the right), worked with community partners to display a 30-year history of HIV/AIDS in Oregon (special thanks to Tom McConnell!), and will be holding a vigil. OHA also developed a World AIDS Day proclamation, which was signed by Oregon's Governor (see <http://1.usa.gov/WADpO>).

Find an event at [www.WorldAIDSdayNW.org](http://www.WorldAIDSdayNW.org).



## Local program planning

OHA is revising the local program planning process for the seven counties that will receive new CDC funding in 2012 (Marion, Lane, Clackamas, Washington, Multnomah, Deschutes, and Jackson). Other counties currently funded with CDC 2011 funding will receive continuation funding at their current level through June 2012 and will not need to submit new program planning documents.

The program planning revisions seek to align the process with CDC's new funding structure and reporting requirements. The revisions also seek to increase the efficiency and value of the process.

The draft planning and reporting tool will be sent to funded counties later this month for review and comment. The final tool will be disseminated in January.

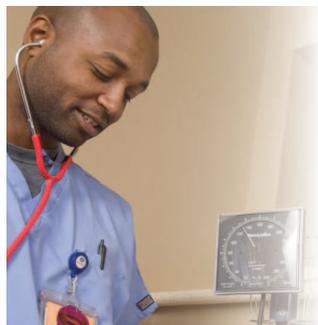
## Guidelines on HIV prophylaxis after sexual assault

The OHA HIV Prevention Program and the Oregon Attorney General's Sexual Assault Task Force developed recommendations for healthcare providers on HIV prophylaxis for adults after sexual assault. The document is available at <http://1.usa.gov/SAnPEP>.

These recommendations will be mailed to emergency departments across the state, along with a poster-size flow chart for quick reference.

We hope that this initiative will benefit victims of sexual assault, help standardize procedures, and increase the number of healthcare facilities in Oregon that have supplies of antiretroviral medication and are able to administer non-occupational post-exposure prophylaxis (nPEP).

OHA also plans to develop and disseminate information on nPEP for other persons who may have been recently exposed to HIV via sexual contact or injection drug use.



## Upcoming events

### World AIDS Day

Dec. 1

Visit [www.WorldAIDSDayNW.org](http://www.WorldAIDSDayNW.org).

### Webinar on Human Trafficking

by the Mid-Valley Women's Crisis Service

Dec. 13, 9:30 - 11 a.m.

Register at <http://bit.ly/rRlkfS>.

### HIV/Viral Hepatitis/Sexually Transmitted Infection Integrated Planning Group meeting

Jan. 25, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Public comment is welcome at 1 p.m.

800 NE Oregon Street, Room 1B

Portland, OR 97232

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## MSM couples and HIV risk

Recent research has challenged traditional understandings of HIV risk and led many to consider how we can promote HIV testing and risk reduction among men who have sex with men (MSM) who are entering or in a relationship.

In a study of MSM in the United States (see <http://1.usa.gov/main68>), it was estimated that approximately two-thirds (68%) of HIV infections were from main partners (e.g., a boyfriend or significant other). Transmissions from main partners appear to be driven by (1) undiagnosed HIV infections, combined with the tendency of MSM to engage in both (2) a greater number of sex acts and (3) riskier sex acts (e.g., unprotected, receptive) with main partners than with non-main partners.

A recent MMWR (see <http://1.usa.gov/MSMrisk2>) highlighted a study of MSM that found the prevalence of undiagnosed infection was equally high among participants who did (7%) and who did not (8%) report having multiple or anonymous partners, sex in conjunction with illicit drug use, or a partner who engages in these behaviors.



Assumptions about which MSM are at high risk for HIV should be challenged. Providers may wish to promote HIV testing and condom use among MSM who are dating someone new and who are in relationships.

## New HIV testing campaign

This month, OHA will be launching a campaign to promote HIV testing for all people ages 13-64. The initiative will involve mailing posters to venues across the

state that serve the general public, such as hospitals, libraries, universities, and community centers. The campaign posters may be viewed at <http://1.usa.gov/13-64>.

## Program contacts

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