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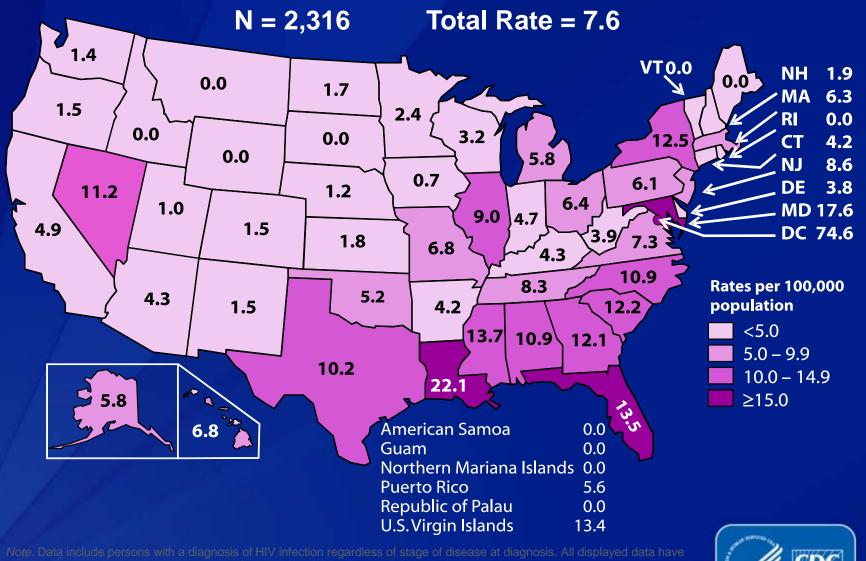


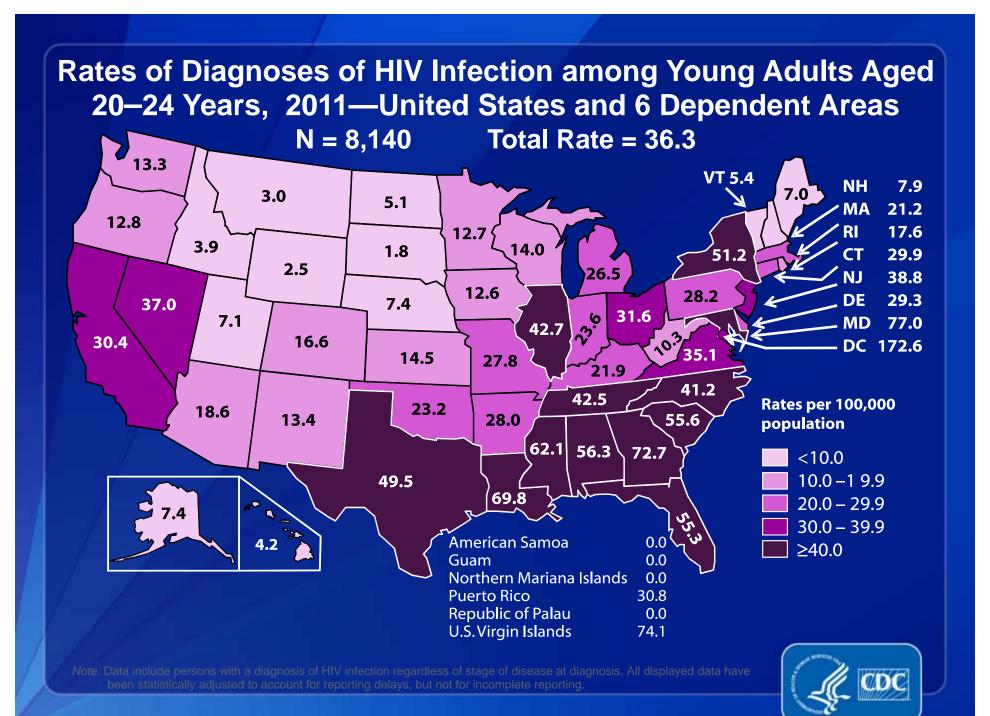
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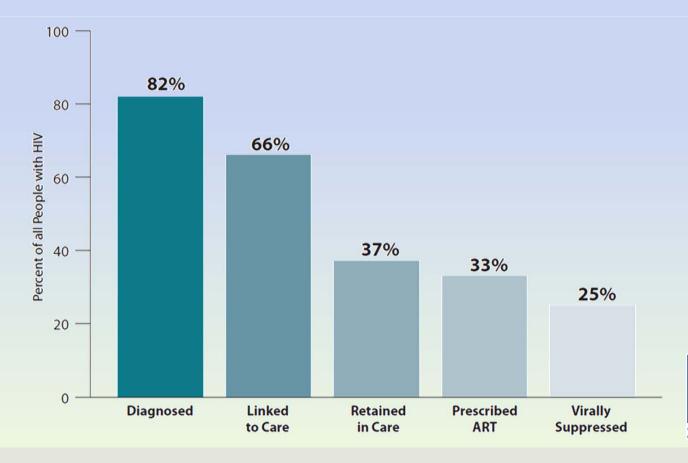






#### **US HIV Treatment Cascade**

Overall: of the 1.1 million Americans living with HIV, only 25% are virally suppressed

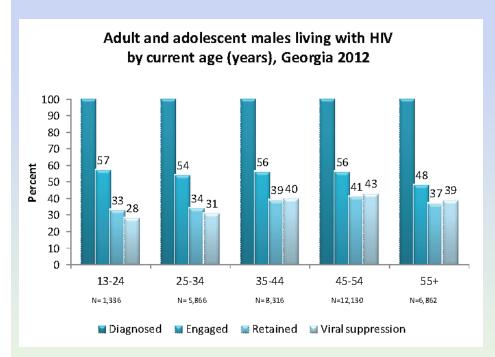


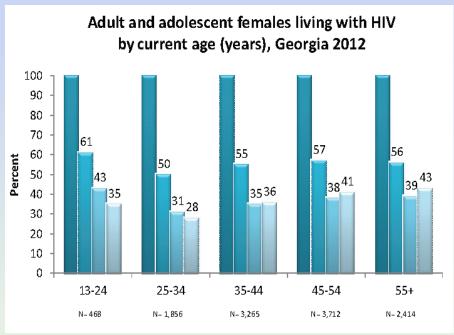






#### HIV Treatment Cascade in Georgia









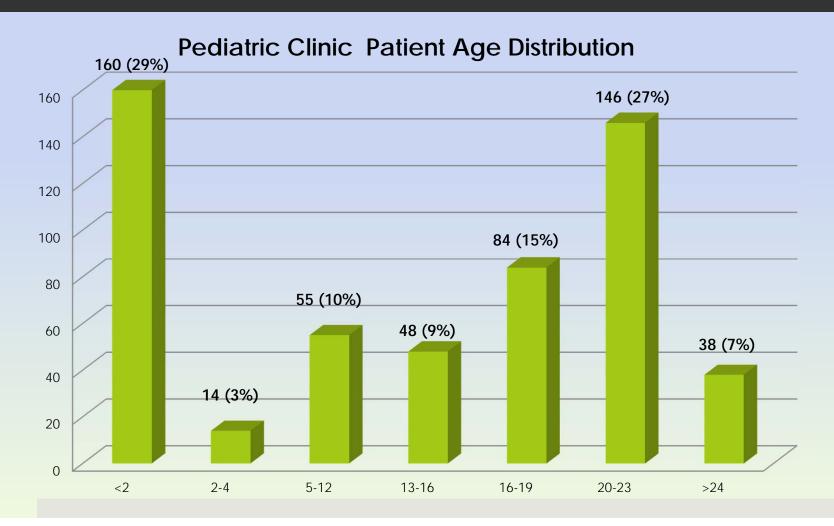
### IDP Family & Youth Clinic

- Population we serve
  - Children, adolescent and young adults: 0-24 years of age
  - Perinatal HIV Exposure or HIV Infected
  - No insurance to Private insurance
  - Regardless of T-Cell count: BIG DIFFERENCE FROM THE ADULT CLINIC
- Multidisciplinary approach
  - Physician or Physician Assistant (3 pediatricians with HIV specialization, 2 PAs)
    - Primary Care/Specialized HIV management
  - Psychologist & Psychiatry
  - Social workers (3 medical social workers)
  - Nutrition (1 nutritionist)
  - Clinical Support Staff: Nurse Educator, Team Nurses





## Ponce Family and Youth Clinic







# Antiretroviral Treatment and Access to Services (ARTAS)

- Linkage for newly diagnosed HIV+ individuals
- Linkage for those lost to follow up (out of care > 1 year)
- Once patient sees a medical provider, intervention ends





#### IDP-Pediatric Clinic Outreach effort

- MACARTI Initiative
  - High Risk Population
  - Non-Traditional Testing
  - Multidisciplinary approach
  - Intervention that specifically targets adolescents and young adults: Motivational Interviewing
  - 1 year follow-up to secure retention
- Serve as a bridge between different organizations and the IDP







### MACARTI -Community partnerships

- Aids Healthcare Foundation
- AID Atlanta
- LGBTQ Unit of the Atlanta Police Department
- Covenant House Georgia
- Mercy Care Services
- Work in progress: DeKalb/Fulton Health Departments, Positive Impact, Georgia State, T-Gates Production





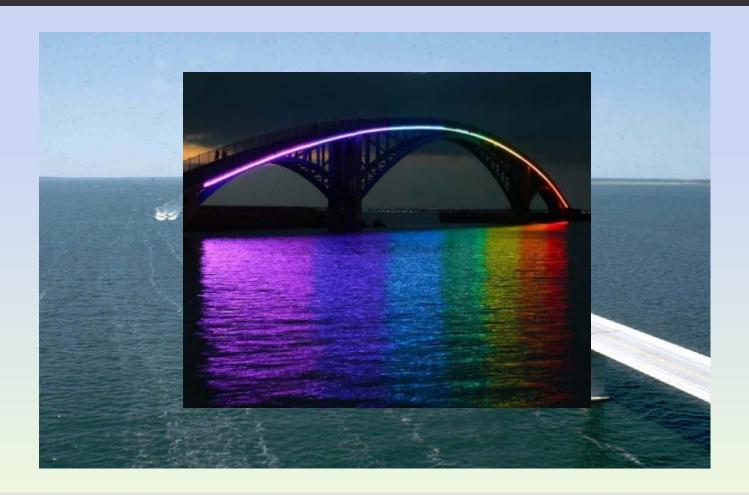
#### MACARTI Role

- Accompany organizations in testing events
  - Actual testing/Supporting Personnel
  - Starting Linkage process in the venue
  - One to one physician/social worker/nurse interactions in venues
- Coordinating referrals with partner organizations
  - Working with patients from the time of referral until effective enrollment into the clinic (Linkage)
- Follow-up of clients for 1 year to secure retention
  - Motivational Interviewing
  - Home visits if necessary





### ARTAS-MACARTI Role







## Supporting Each Other









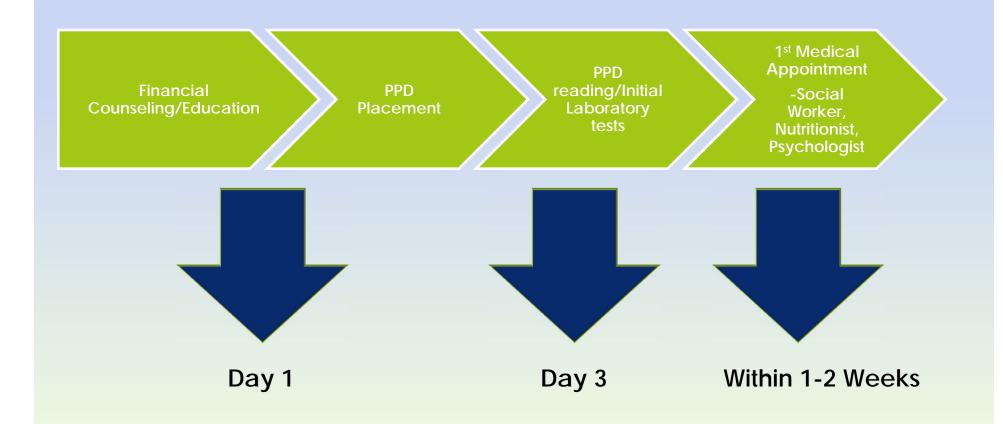
# Paperwork needed to enroll at Ponce Family and Youth Clinic

- Proof of Status: Documentation of positive HIV test (result from 2 rapid tests)
- Proof of Income: If no income, Income Verification Summary (Dept. of Labor)
- Proof of Residence: Lease, shelter letter, voter registration card, current utility bill, bank statement
- Current Georgia ID





# Procedure and Time to First Medical Appointment







## Increasing Capacity

- The IDP will hire an outreach social worker in the near future through the ARTAS program who will support outreach efforts linkage and retention.
- Increase retention efforts through specific programs
  - Use of technology: HealthySteps app
  - YAN Group
  - Peer Mentoring Program
  - Intensive social work and case management support