

**HIV HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES PLANNING COUNCIL OF NEW YORK**  
**Home and Community Based Health Services**

Service Category Goals <sup>1</sup>	2012-2015 Comprehensive Strategic Plan <sup>2</sup> Objectives	Program Directive & Service Model	Client and Agency Eligibility
<p><b>Goals:</b></p> <p>1) Provide comprehensive, coordinated home and community based healthcare, support and service coordination that addresses the full range of needs of individuals living with HIV and facilitates continued engagement in medical and psychosocial care and treatment and aims to enhance the quality of life.</p> <p>2) Reduce the number and length of hospitalizations and nursing home placements of people living with HIV/AIDS.</p>	<p><b>Objectives:</b></p> <p>Objective 2: To increase the proportion of newly diagnosed individuals who enter into primary care within three months of HIV diagnosis.</p> <p>Objective 3a: To increase retention in HIV care and treatment.</p> <p>Objective 3b: To increase the proportion of clients who have an optimal level of ART adherence.</p> <p>Objective 3c: To increase viral suppression.</p>	<p><b>Services include, but are not limited to, the following:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HIV treatment education</li> <li>• Assistance with medication adherence</li> <li>• Client engagement activities to schedule program appointments, coordinate services, and maintain connection to primary care</li> <li>• Advocacy services to assist with navigation of home care resources and address any grievances that may arise regarding home care, regardless of payer</li> <li>• Outreach for client re-engagement to monitor scheduled appointments and</li> </ul>	<p><b>Client Eligibility Criteria:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All individual and family units in which one or more persons are HIV-infected are eligible for Ryan White services.</li> <li>• Active substance use does not preclude client eligibility.</li> <li>• General Ryan White eligibility: Household income must be below 435% of FPL. Client must live within the New York EMA.</li> <li>• Clients with physical, behavioral, psychosocial, or sensory impairments limiting them from presenting to an office location.</li> </ul> <p><b>Agency Eligibility Criteria:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Organizations providing services must have experience serving HIV+ individuals and experience reaching out to</li> </ul>

<sup>1</sup> HRSA/HAB Division of Metropolitan HIV/AIDS Programs. Program Monitoring Standards – Part A. April 2013: Home and Community-based Health Services are “...defined as skilled health services furnished in the home of an HIV-infected individual, based on a written plan of care prepared by a case management team that includes appropriate health care professionals. Allowable services include durable medical equipment, home health aide and personal care services, day treatment or other partial hospitalization services, home intravenous and aerosolized drug therapy (including prescription drugs administered as part of such therapy), routine diagnostic testing, appropriate mental health, developmental, and rehabilitation services.”

<sup>2</sup> Available: <http://www.nyhiv.com/pdfs/Comprehensive%20Plan%20Final%2005-21-12.pdf>. Accessed 6/2/14.

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	<p>Objective 3d: To improve immunological health.</p> <p>Objective 3e: To decrease reliance on acute care.</p> <p>Objective 4a: To reduce (and then maintain below significance) socio-demographic differences in delayed diagnosis of HIV.</p> <p>Objective 4b: To reduce (and then maintain below significance) socio-demographic differences in prompt linkage to HIV/AIDS care following HIV diagnosis.</p> <p>Objective 4c: To reduce (and then maintain below significance) socio-demographic differences in retention in primary medical care.</p> <p>Objective 4d: To reduce (and then maintain below significance) socio-</p>	<p>follow up on a client's missed appointments.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Psychiatric evaluation and visits</li> <li>• Individual, and family supportive counseling</li> <li>• Substance use counseling</li> <li>• Homemaking/chore services (includes child care)</li> <li>• Home health and personal care services/assistance with activities of daily living</li> <li>• Skilled nursing services</li> <li>• Home intravenous and aerosolized drug therapy</li> <li>• Provision of durable medical equipment</li> <li>• Physical therapy</li> <li>• Occupational therapy</li> </ul>	<p>and engaging individuals who are out of care or sporadically in care, transitioning from institutional care, or in need of self-management support.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agencies must either be co-located or have established linkages with programs providing medical care, HIV testing, food and nutrition services, alcohol and substance use services, syringe exchange/harm reduction services, comprehensive risk reduction services, medical case management services, housing services, legal services, Medicaid, Medicare, NYS Health Insurance Exchange Systems, health homes, and other community based organizations.</li> <li>• Must have the capacity to bill Medicaid for Medicaid-billable home based services or be in a contractual relationship with an agency that can bill Medicaid.</li> <li>• Agencies must ensure that staff members have HIV knowledge, training and cultural sensitivity appropriate to the populations that they serve. Agencies must have the capacity to provide services in the languages spoken by the populations served. Agencies must have the capacity to provide services to clients with physical, behavioral, psychosocial, or sensory impairments limiting them from presenting to an office location.</li> <li>• Although any individual agency does not have to serve clients from all five boroughs, funded agencies should be</li> </ul>

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	demographic differences in viral suppression.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Speech therapy</li> <li>• Independent living skills</li> <li>• Nutritional counseling and emergency food provision</li> <li>• Respite for caregivers, childcare during appointments and hospitalizations</li> </ul> <p><b>Services may include:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use of a multidisciplinary team, including peer-delivered services</li> </ul>	accessible to and able to serve clients from throughout the New York EMA.