HIV among Gender Diverse People in Maryland

Center for HIV Surveillance, Epidemiology and Evaluation Prevention and Health Promotion Administration

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MISSION
The mission of the Prevention and Health Promotion Administration is to protect, promote and improve the health and well-being of all Marylanders and their families through provision of public health leadership and through community-based public health efforts in partnership with local health departments, providers, community-based organizations, and public and private sector agencies, giving special attention to at-risk and vulnerable populations.

VISION
The Prevention and Health Promotion Administration envisions a future in which all Marylanders and their families enjoy optimal health and well-being.
Data Limitation

Historically, it has been difficult to present data by gender identity. No reliable system exists for collecting or reporting gender identity and some agencies do not collect or have complete data on gender identity. This presentation is likely underreporting the number of gender diverse people living with diagnosed HIV because of challenges in accurately identifying and reporting gender identity in HIV surveillance.
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Data reported through June 30, 2021

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<th><strong>HIV Diagnoses during 2020</strong></th>
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<td><strong>12</strong></td>
<td>During 2020, 12 transgender people were diagnosed with HIV</td>
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<td><strong>67%</strong></td>
<td>Two-thirds of the new HIV diagnoses were linked to care within 1 month</td>
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Age on December 31, 2020

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Summary

New diagnoses were more common among transwomen and younger age groups (20-29)

Younger age groups (20-29) were less likely to be retained in HIV care and virally suppressed than older age groups

Compared to all people in Maryland with diagnosed HIV, gender diverse people were more likely to be in HIV care but less likely to be virally suppressed in 2020

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Additional Data

CHSEE HIV Statistics Webpage

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