

YOUTH LIVING with HIV in the UNITED STATES

HIV IS A SEVERE BURDEN ON YOUNG PEOPLE.

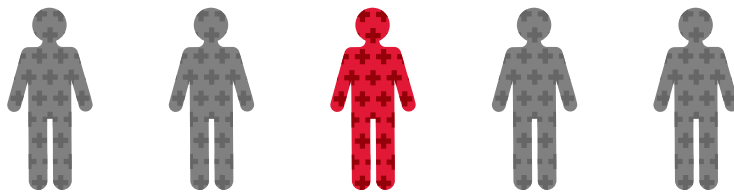
- In 2015, **more than 1 in 5 new HIV infections** occurred in people younger than 25.¹
- Over the last decade, **new HIV infections fell by 18% overall in young MSM^b**—this shows progress, but there is still a lot of work to be done.³
- **Young Latino and young black men had ~2X and ~3X more HIV infections** than young white men did in 2015.¹



^a Includes diagnosed and undiagnosed HIV. ^b MSM aged 13 to 24 years; MSM = men who have sex with men.

GAPS IN CARE⁴ MAY LEAD TO POOR HEALTH OUTCOMES FOR YOUTH.

Only 1 in 5



youth aged 18 to 24 years were prescribed antiretroviral therapy in 2012, with only 16% achieving viral suppression.⁴

These are the lowest ART prescription and viral suppression rates for any age group.⁴

In 2013, **about half of all young people with HIV did not know they had it**—the highest proportion of any age group.²

More than 1 in 5 young people were not linked to care within 3 months of learning they had HIV in 2013—the lowest rate for any age group.⁴

At the end of 2012, **only about half of young people were retained in care.**⁴

MENTORS SUPPORT YOUNG PEOPLE TO BUILD SKILLS THAT MAY CLOSE GAPS IN CARE.

Young people living with HIV typically enter adult care by the age of 25.⁵

— Barriers when entering adult care —

Worried about confidentiality, privacy, and trust in adult setting

Overwhelmed by change; lost in the system

Afraid to ask for help and support

Unsure how to make decisions to manage own healthcare

Mentors can . . .



Connect Personally



Provide Information & Guidance



Share Experiences

. . . so that young people living with HIV gain the confidence & skills to manage their own healthcare.⁵

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