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HIV AND RYAN WHITE

NORTH CAROLINA

HIV IN NORTH CAROLINA, BY THE NUMBERS¹



29,814: the number of North Carolinians living with diagnosed HIV/AIDS in 2015.



11th in the nation: for HIV related death rates in 2015.



6th in the nation in the number of new HIV diagnoses in 2016.



61.5% of individuals diagnosed in 2016 were between age 13 and 34.



DEPENDS ON RYAN WHITE:2

- An estimated 15,953 North Carolinians received services through Ryan White in 2015.
- 60.3% were living at or below the poverty line.
- Since Ryan White is legally required to be the "payer of last resort," these people did not have other access to medical or support services.

Federal Ryan White Funding in NC³

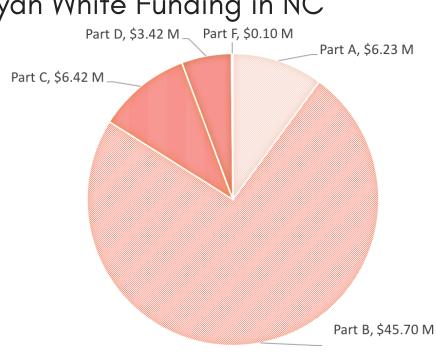
Part A: \$6.23M

Part B: \$45.70M

Part C: \$6.42M

Part D: \$3.42M

Part F: \$0.10M



North Carolina received \$61.9 million in federal Ryan White funds in 2017:4

- \$23.2 million went to ADAP.
- **\$6.2 million** went to Charlotte, the state's only city eligible for Part A funding for urban areas. As a result, Part B funding (for states) is particularly important in North Carolina.

RYAN WHITE IS CRUCIAL FOR NORTH CAROLINA



RYAN WHITE WORKS!



Ryan White services keep HIV-positive individuals in treatment and care



With treatment, people with HIV can live active, healthy lives.



People whose virus is suppressed for 6 months cannot transmit HIV through sex.





But, if disconnected from care, resistance to medications can develop making it easier to transmit HIV.

Moreover, without treatment HIV is deadly. 5

RYAN WHITE PROVIDES SERVICES ACROSS THE HIV CARE CONTINUUM

HIV CARE CONTINUUM:

THE SERIES OF STEPS A PERSON WITH HIV TAKES FROM INITIAL DIAGNOSIS THROUGH THEIR SUCCESSFUL TREATMENT WITH HIV MEDICATION







While only **58**% of people nationwide have a viral load that is effectively suppressed as of 2014,⁶

of HIV-positive clients who had received at least one Ryan White funded medical care visit have achieved viral suppression.⁷

WITHOUT MEDICAID EXPANSION, NORTH CAROLINA RELIES ON RYAN WHITE MORE THAN OTHER STATES.

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Ryan White program clients living with HIV in North Carolina had no insurance coverage other than Ryan White in 2015.8

No other program provides the same set of gap-filling services or care as Ryan White. Even after health reform, Ryan White remains crucial for North Carolina.

For more information, visit our website at http://southernaidsstrategy.org.

REMEMBER RYAN WHITE SAVES LIVES!

^{1.} CDC Atlas Data, http://gis.cdc.gov/grasp/nchhstpatlas/main.html?value=atlas.

^{2.} HRSA, 2015 State Profiles, Ryan White & Global HIV/AIDS Program, Client Characteristics, https://hab.hrsa.gov/stateprofiles2015/#/profile. 2015 figures are the most recent available.

^{3.} HRSA, Ryan White & Global HIV/AIDS Program, About the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program: Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Parts, https://hab.hrsa.gov/about-ryan-white-hivaids-program/about-ryan-white-hivaids-program. Total excludes AIDS Education and Training Centers Program Grants under Part F, which are broken down by region, not by state.

^{4.} HRSA, Ryan White & Global HIV/AIDS Program, About the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program: Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Parts, https://hab.hrsa.gov/about-ryan-white-hivaids-program/about-ryan-white-hivaids-program.

^{5.} CDC, National HIV Prevention Progress Report, 2015,

https://www.cdc.gov/hiv/pdf/policies/progressreports/cdc-hiv-national progressreport.pdf.

^{6.} CDC, Evidence of HIV Treatment and Viral Suppression in Preventing the Sexual Transmission of HIV, https://www.cdc.gov/hiv/pdf/risk/art/cdc-hiv-art-viral-suppression.pdf.

^{7.} HRSA, Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program, Annual Client-Level Data Report

^{2016,} https://hab.hrsa.gov/sites/default/files/hab/data/datareports/RWHAP-annual-client-level-datareport-2016.pdf.

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8. HRSA, 2015 State Profiles, Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program, Health Care

Coverage, https://hab.hrsa.gov/stateprofiles2015/#/profile. 2015 figures are the most recent available.

^{*} HIV CARE CONTINUUM image from hiv.gov.