

The OAA periodically revises this *Directory* to reflect the changes and updates in our community. We acknowledge the fact that our community is constantly changing and by the time this publication is distributed some things may have already changed. We appreciate your patience and feedback on this matter, as we rely on your input to further improve the *Directory* in future years. See the ***Suggestion Sheet*** on the page 250.

How to obtain additional copies of the new *2008 Positive Resources Directory*?

For a CD-ROM copy, contact the OAA at (510) 268-7630. The *Directory* is posted on the Alameda County Public Health Department's website under Data & Reports – HIV/AIDS @ <http://www.officeofaids.org>. After you obtain your new *Directory*, please dispose of the old edition in an environmentally friendly manner such as recycling.

Overview of the Oakland TGA

This ***2008 Positive Resource Directory*** will serve as a resource guide to HIV/AIDS related services in Alameda County, surrounding counties and in some cases National services. The *Directory* covers various kinds of local services, community based organizations, collaborative efforts, national and informational services and websites.

This *Directory* is inclusive of, but not limited to, the Oakland Transitional Grant Area (TGA).

The Oakland TGA is a geographically large, multi-jurisdictional entity comprising the health departments of Alameda County, Contra Costa County and the City of Berkeley. The size of the TGA, differences in health services among its health jurisdictions and variation in the epidemic's demographic profile across the TGA have required different service delivery approaches to insure effective outreach and treatment and equivalence of services across the entire TGA...

The ***OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA ELIGIBLE METROPOLITAN AREA 2006 – 2009 COMPREHENSIVE HIV SERVICES PLAN*** identified the following care and treatment goals for the Oakland TGA:

1. To ensure access to a comprehensive coordinated TGA-wide continuum of HIV care that incorporates HIV prevention activities.
2. To ensure parity of HIV service access throughout the Oakland TGA through culturally competent services that strive to reach all HIV+ people in our region.
3. To ensure that persons with HIV have access to high quality evidence based system of care that measures health outcomes and incorporates continual assessment and planning.
4. To support a comprehensive, coordinated continuum of HIV care throughout the Oakland TGA

The new **Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Modernization Act of 2006** consists of the following five parts which are explained in greater detail by the **HIV/AIDS Bureau (HAB), Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)**, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, at www.hab.hrsa.gov.

- **Part A (Title I)** provides funding for emergency assistance HIV/AIDS services where at least 75% of the grant money must be spent on core medical services, such as primary care, dental, oral, home health care, mental health, substance abuse and case management services.
- **Part B (Title II)** provides funding to States for HIV/AIDS services including services such as AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) and Emerging Communities (ECs) grants. At least 75% of the grant money must be spent on core medical services, such as primary care, dental, oral, home health care, mental health, substance abuse and case management services.
- **Part C (Title III)** provides funding for HIV/AIDS Early Intervention Services (EIS) and Capacity Development and Planning Grants where at least 75% of the grant money must be spent on core medical services, such as primary care, dental, oral, home health care, mental health, substance abuse and case management services.
- **Part D (Title IV)** provides funding to public and private organizations to provide family-centered HIV/AIDS services for women and children.
- **Part F** provides funding to AIDS Education and Training Centers (AETCs), the Minority AIDS Initiative (MAI) and Special Programs of National Significance (SPNS).

(The information was provided by the Henry J Kaiser Family Foundation, http://www.kff.org/hivaids/upload/7582_03.pdf)

The OAA is the Oakland TGA Grantee for Parts A and B funding. Approximately twenty of the agencies listed in this *Directory*, which provide services in Alameda County, are funded by the OAA under Parts A and B. The OAA works closely with providers funded through the Ryan White Program Parts C and Part D.

The Alameda Health Consortium is the Oakland TGA grantee for Part C which funds ***HIV ACCESS***, a coordinated system of early intervention services and comprehensive care for PLW HIV/AIDS in Alameda County.

Children’s Hospital and Research Center - Oakland is the Oakland TGA grantee for Part D which funds the ***Family Care Network***, a consortium of agencies in the East Bay working to provide comprehensive, family-centered services across disciplines to women, children, youth and families living with HIV.

Alameda County also has these other major programs providing assistance in the fight against AIDS:

- ◆ The Alameda County Housing and Community Development (HCD) Department administers the ***Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)*** program in our county. HOPWA supports housing development and provides housing support and related services for people living with HIV/AIDS
- ◆ The ***Alameda County Public Health Department, Division of Communicable Disease Control and Prevention (DCDCP)*** and the ***Community Assessment Planning and Education Unit (CAPE)*** collaborate to produce an annual AIDS Epidemiological Report that can be found on the Alameda County Public Health Department website -<http://www.acphd.org/> - through the “Data & Reports” link.
- ◆ The ***Alameda County Behavioral Health Care Services (BHCS) Department*** - see their listings in this *Directory* for substance abuse and mental health services for clients.

Contra Costa County

Contra Costa County is a part of the Oakland TGA and receives a portion of the Ryan White Program funding for this designated region. Although Contra Costa County is under the same TGA as Alameda County, services operate differently. Contra Costa County provides HIV/AIDS services at the county public health office as well as by contracting out to community-based organizations.

♦ Care and Support Services:

A variety of care services, such as Nurse Case Management, are available for people living with HIV/AIDS, as well as referrals to a network of support services including:

- access to clinic-based social workers and HIV early intervention services
- certification for enrollment in the AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP)
- referrals to community-based (psycho-social) case management services
- access to mental health or substance abuse services
- help with accessing housing services
- benefits counseling and non-criminal legal services
- other practical support such as Adult Day Center services, food and transportation assistance and other emergency assistance.

Anonymous partner notification services, as well as enhanced risk reduction services for HIV+ individuals, are also available.

♦ HIV Education and Prevention Services:

The AIDS Program coordinates a network of HIV prevention services geared to help HIV-negative individuals remain negative. Services are designed to support individuals in making healthy choices to reduce the risk for transmission of HIV.

The Contra Costa Prevention System of Care provides services specifically to reach those individuals at the highest risk HIV infection and transmission. The system of services for prevention and risk reduction is based on the theory “Stages of Behavioral Change” and the services are tailored based on the readiness of clients for changing their behavior for reducing risk or preventing HIV.

HIV Education and Prevention Services include:

- **Targeted Prevention** consists of brief interventions designed to initiate dialog with individuals about knowledge of their HIV status and to determine their needs around HIV risk reduction and prevention. Based on the individuals’ needs, referrals are made.
- **Prevention Case Management**, also known as Comprehensive Risk Counseling and Services (CRCS), helps people who do not have HIV make a plan to reduce their risks for HIV infection. This service is designed to provide comprehensive interventions to meet specific HIV risk reduction needs. Referrals are made based on the individuals’ needs.

- **Support Groups** are ongoing (multi-session) group interventions designed for people in group-settings to connect with each other, mutually support one another to explore their risks for HIV and develop skills in risk reduction or prevention. Referrals are made based on individuals' needs.
- **Workshops** are one-time or a series of group interventions designed for people to increase their knowledge and/or develop skills in HIV prevention, risk reduction, HIV testing and other relevant topics of interest to the group. Referrals are made based on individuals' needs.
- **Prevention with Positives (PWP)** helps people with HIV make a plan to prevent transmission of HIV to others while maintaining their own health. Referrals are made based on individuals' needs. Derelle Hill at (925) 313-6604 and Maxine Little at (925) 313-6605 are Risk Reduction Specialists.

HIV Education and Prevention Referral Services include:

- **HIV Testing Service**, testing services via a mobile van at scheduled locations in the community.
- **Support Services** to address their other needs related to their HIV risks (risks include: substance use, sexually transmitted infections, mental health, partner violence and LGBTQ issues)
- **System of Care for CARE** Services (services for those with HIV/AIDS) increases access to medical care of those living with HIV/AIDS and who may not be in care for their HIV disease.

Call the AIDS Program at (925) 313-6771 or toll-free at (800) 287-0200 for more information about HIV education and prevention services in Contra Costa County.

♦ **Other Contra Costa County HIV Services:**

Contra Costa County supports a **Needle Exchange Program** and participates in the **Pharmacy Sales program** for non-prescription syringes. This information can be found on pages 23 and 24.

Contra Costa County also produces annually a pocket-size *Resource Guide for HIV Services* and also an *HIV/AIDS Epidemiology Report* available at http://www.cchealth.org/groups/epidemiology/pdf/hiv_2006_07.pdf

For more information about Contra Costa County AIDS Services, see their listing on page 153 or visit their website at: http://www.cchealth.org/services/hiv_aids/

The City of Berkeley

The City of Berkeley, while a part of Alameda County, operates its own Health and Human Services Department. Services are available for PLW HIV/AIDS living in Berkeley and surrounding areas on a sliding scale.

HIV/AIDS Testing Program provides free and anonymous, i.e., no names used, HIV antibody testing. Confidential HIV testing is also available.

HIV/AIDS Community Education and Prevention Program provides education, workshops and outreach in the community.

The City of Berkeley **HIV/AIDS Programs and Policy** also provides program planning and assistance to individuals, groups and community-based organizations engaging in HIV prevention, services and activities in Berkeley.

Additional client services include.

- Public health nursing follow-up and case management.
- Assistance accessing approved drug treatment for individuals with HIV and AIDS who have a prescription from their physician and are income eligible

Services and information and referrals are also available in Spanish.

For more information, visit their website at: www.ci.berkeley.ca.us/publichealth/hiv aids/hiv aids.html