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VISION STATEMENT NEW HIV INFECTIONS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY HAVE BEEN ELIMINATED THROUGH THE ADOPTION OF HEALTHIER BEHAVIORS AND THOSE WITH HIV/AIDS HAVE THE BEST QUALITY OF LIFE THROUGH THE PROVISION OF THE BEST CARE AND TREATMENT AVAILABLE.

OUR MISSION TO RESPOND TO THE HIV/AIDS EPIDEMIC IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY BY PREVENTING ITS SPREAD, MAXIMIZING HEALTH AND SOCIAL OUTCOMES, AND COORDINATING EFFECTIVE AND EFFICIENT TARGETED SERVICES FOR THOSE AT RISK FOR, LIVING WITH, OR AFFECTED BY HIV.



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Overview

The Office of AIDS Programs and Policy (OAPP) is a program office of the County of Los Angeles, Department of Public Health (DPH). It began in 1985, a point in the HIV/AIDS epidemic when fewer than 2,000 people had been diagnosed with AIDS in Los Angeles County. Today, OAPP is responsible for coordinating care and treatment services for 23,000 out of an estimated 60,000 people living with HIV/AIDS and for ensuring effective and ongoing HIV prevention, counseling and testing for tens of thousands of residents who are at risk for HIV infection.

OAPP remains dedicated to reducing mortality and morbidity, reducing disparities in health outcomes and reducing the incidence of new HIV infections.

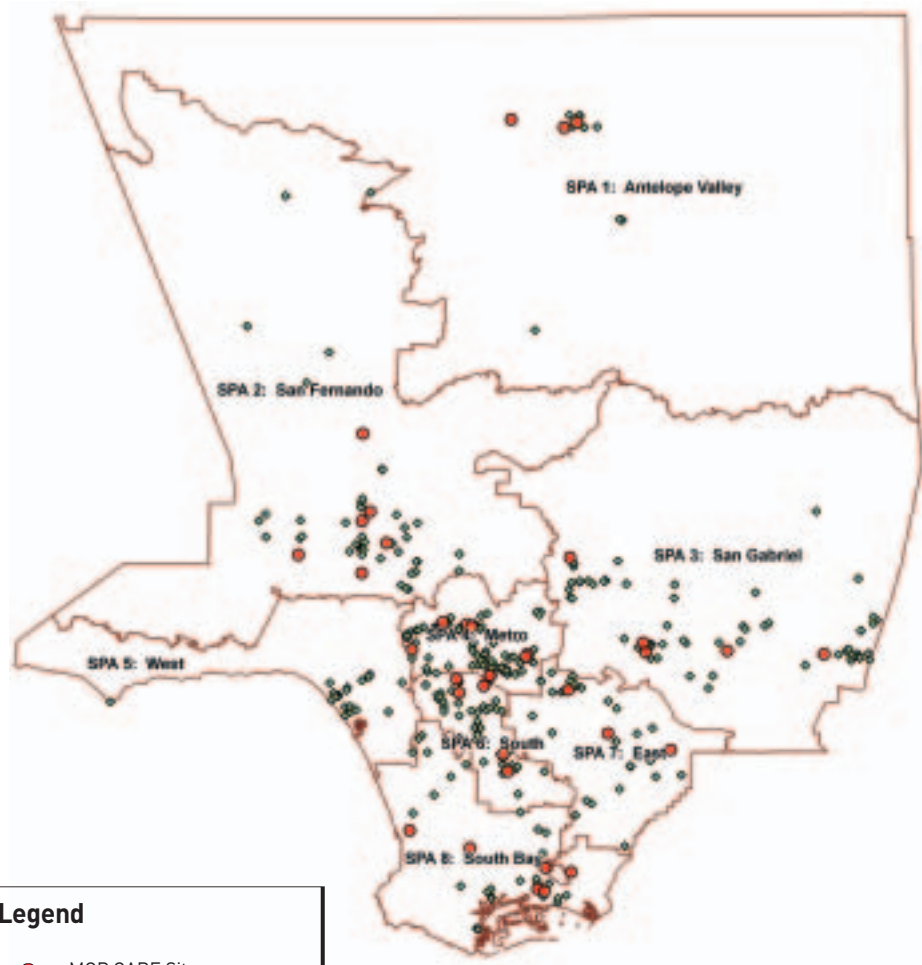
The work of OAPP includes assessing the need for HIV/AIDS services in Los Angeles County, establishing standards for services, and recruiting partners from County agencies and community-based organizations to provide services. In addition, OAPP continually explores ways of improving the delivery of services to ensure that a full complement of services is provided to those in greatest need, thereby improving the well-being of those served to the fullest extent possible.

OAPP Summary	
Full Time Employees:	~206
Contracts Per Year:	214
Providers	
Community Based Organizations:	76
County Programs:	14
Service Modalities:	43
Program Clients:	~23,000

Yearly Revenue (approximate) **Total: \$84,000,000**



Los Angeles County
Medical Outpatient (MOP) Clinics and HIV Counseling & Testing Sites



Legend

- MOP CARE Sites
- ◆ HCT Sites (Fixed and Mobile)
- Service Planning Area

Source: Agency Capacity (AOM) Year 17 Date; 2007 HCT Testing Sites

Partnerships

OAPP is part of a community-wide HIV/AIDS response, one of a number of distinct and uniquely necessary partners. Each partner makes critical contributions and shares in the responsibility of building, expanding and improving the quality of the work done on behalf of those living with or affected by HIV and AIDS.

Our partners include but are not limited to:

- Los Angeles County Commission on HIV –serves as the planning body for Part A of the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Modernization Act (Ryan White Program). They are responsible for setting priorities and allocations for the Ryan White grantee (OAPP), as well as for an annual plan for care and treatment services that considers the full range of needs of people with HIV/AIDS in Los Angeles County. OAPP serves as the primary contact for the federal Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), the agency responsible for managing the Ryan White Program.
- Los Angeles County HIV Prevention Planning Committee (PPC) - serves as the planning body that manages HIV prevention funds from the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the State of California and the County of Los Angeles. The PPC is

responsible for developing the ongoing plan for prevention services that seeks to provide HIV counseling, education and testing to those at risk for HIV with the goal of stemming the tide of the expanding epidemic.

- Internal County and Department of Public Health partners (Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department, Sexually Transmitted Disease Program, Tuberculosis Control Program, and Hepatitis C Coordinator) - participation by these partners has played a substantial role in broadening the reach of HIV services.

OAPP also participates in educational and advocacy activities with organizations such as:

- AIDS Action Council (AAC)
- California Conference of Local AIDS Directors (CCLAD)
- National Alliance of State and Territorial AIDS Directors (NASTAD)
- National Minority AIDS Council (NMAC)
- Urban Coalition for HIV/AIDS Prevention Services (UCHAPS)



The Organization

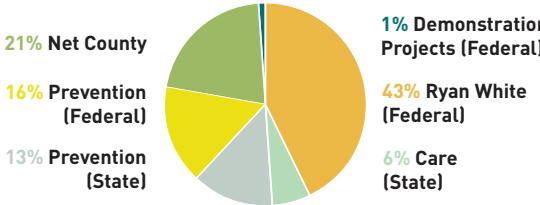
Executive Office

The Executive Office is responsible for directing the overall administration of the Office of AIDS Programs and Policy as it responds to the HIV/AIDS epidemic. It oversees budgeting, program planning and coordination, and the integration of OAPP programs. It is responsible for the development and submission of contracts to the Board of Supervisors and manages the assignment and allocation of resources to ensure provision of high-quality HIV/AIDS programs.

Office of the Medical Director. The Office of the Medical Director is responsible for the oversight and direction of the Clinical Services Division, the Quality Management Program, and the DPH Adult Viral Hepatitis Prevention Coordinator. The Office collaborates with the Commission on HIV to develop and implement Standards of Care; and hosts a quarterly Medical Advisory Committee providing a forum where medical and public health professionals can advise OAPP in the development and implementation of HIV care, treatment and prevention programs, and HIV related quality assurance and quality management policies.

Communications. Communications is responsible for guiding internal (newsletter) and external (website and media relations) communications, social marketing and special events (World AIDS Day, National Latino HIV/AIDS Awareness Day, National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day, and HIV Counseling and Testing Week).

Government Relations. Government Relations is responsible for tracking policy, legislation, and budgets at the federal, State, and local level, and for advocating County positions on such. They also serve as liaison to community policy stakeholders, including the policy committees of local planning bodies and advocacy groups.



OAPP Funding by Source



Planning and Research Division

The Planning and Research Division oversees planning for HIV/AIDS services, including developing annual plans and applications for HIV prevention, care and treatment services, and acquiring and managing grants from the CDC, HRSA and the California Office of AIDS.

Planning and Research coordinates all community planning activities with the HIV Prevention Planning Committee and the Commission on HIV. In addition, the Division researches and evaluates the impact and outcome of programs managed by OAPP.

Prevention Services Division

The Prevention Services Division oversees the effective delivery of services aimed to reduce the incidence of new HIV infections in Los Angeles County and facilitates the identification of persons living with HIV through counseling and testing programs. Prevention Services carries out these activities in accordance with the requirements of the current Los Angeles County HIV Prevention Plan, which is developed through the community planning process in partnership with the Prevention Planning Committee and the Planning and Research Division.





Photo by David Pieribone

Clinical Enhancement Services Division

The Clinical Enhancement Services Division is responsible for ensuring that people living with HIV/AIDS within Los Angeles County, receive client-oriented services that connect them with HIV medical care. Our supportive or “wrap around” services, including transportation, mental health, and substance abuse treatment, enhance OAPP’s Primary Health Care Core and are essential in ensuring clients are equipped to receive and remain in medical treatment.

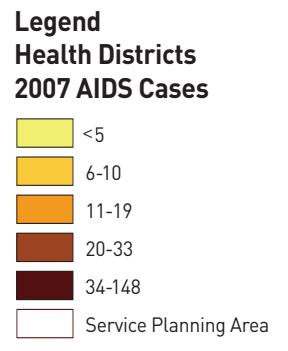
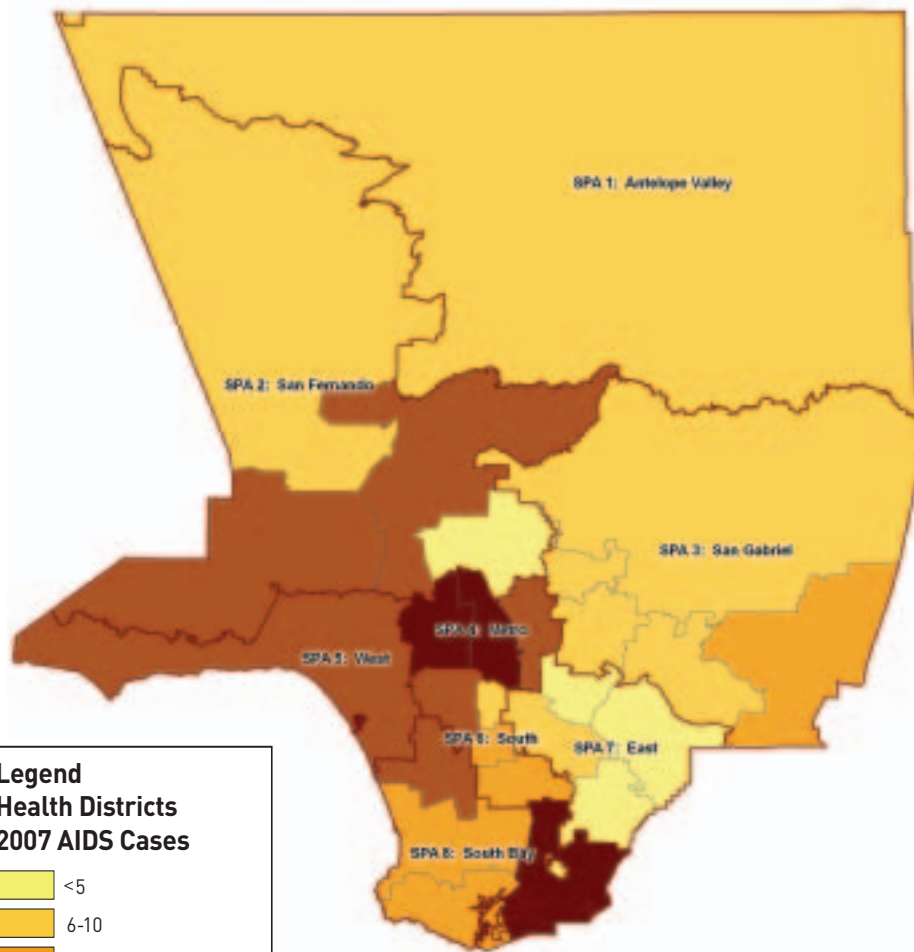
The HIV/AIDS related services under Clinical Enhancement Services Division include:

- Case Management, Home-Based Services
- Language Services
- Substance Abuse, Day Treatment
- Substance Abuse, Residential Detoxification
- Substance Abuse, Residential Rehabilitation
- Substance Abuse, Transitional Housing
- Residential Emergency Housing
- Residential Transitional Housing
- Residential Hospice and Skilled Nursing Facility Services
- Adult Residential Facilities

- Residential Care Facilities for the Chronically Ill
- Nutrition Support
- Training
- Transportation
- Mental Health, Psychotherapy
- Mental Health, Psychiatric Treatment
- Case Management, Psychosocial
- Case Management, Psychosocial/Family
- Case Management, Psychosocial/Transitional
- Youth Case Management
- Legal Services
- Permanency Planning
- Psychosocial Support Services



AIDS Cases Diagnosed in 2007 Los Angeles County



Office of AIDS Programs and Policy
Planning and Research Division



Source: HIV Semi-annual Surveillance Summary, January 2008, HIV Epidemiology Program

Clinical Services Division

The Clinical Services Division provides the overall programmatic direction for HIV/AIDS clinical care services within Los Angeles County, managing and assuring the highest possible standards for health services delivery for people living with HIV/AIDS.

Staff of the Clinical Services Division are actively engaged in establishing standards of care for services provided by contracted agencies, as well as providing ongoing technical assistance and program oversight.

The HIV/AIDS related service categories under the Clinical Services Division oversight are:

- Ambulatory Outpatient Medical Services
- Medical Case Management
- Medical Specialty Referrals
- Early Intervention Program
- Oral Health
- Medical Nutrition Therapy
- Treatment Education
- HIV Counseling & Testing
- Therapeutic Monitoring/Resistance Testing
- AIDS Drug Assistance Program Enrollment



