



Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program

PROGRAM FACT SHEET | DECEMBER 2016



PART A: GRANTS TO ELIGIBLE METROPOLITAN AND TRANSITIONAL AREAS

Part A of the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Extension Act of 2009 provides assistance to Eligible Metropolitan Areas (EMAs) and Transitional Grant Areas (TGAs) that are most severely impacted by the HIV epidemic. Seventy-three percent of people living with HIV are in EMAs and TGAs.

RECIPIENTS

Grants are awarded to the chief elected official of the city or county, who designates a lead agency to administer the funds.

ELIGIBILITY

The boundaries of EMAs and TGAs are based on the U.S. Census designation of Metropolitan Statistical Areas and may span more than one state.

- ▶ To qualify for EMA status, an area must have reported at least 2,000 AIDS cases in the most recent five years and have a population of at least 50,000.
- ▶ To be eligible for TGA status, an area must have reported 1,000 to 1,999 AIDS cases in the most recent five years and have a population of at least 50,000.

SERVICES

Part A funds must be used to provide core medical and support services for people living with HIV. Core medical services include the following:

- ▶ AIDS Drug Assistance Program
- ▶ AIDS pharmaceutical assistance
- ▶ Early intervention services
- ▶ Health insurance premium and cost sharing assistance for low-income individuals

THE RYAN WHITE HIV/AIDS PROGRAM PROVIDES A COMPREHENSIVE SYSTEM OF HIV PRIMARY MEDICAL CARE, MEDICATIONS, AND ESSENTIAL SUPPORT SERVICES FOR LOW-INCOME PEOPLE LIVING WITH HIV WHO ARE UNINSURED OR UNDERINSURED. THE PROGRAM AWARDS GRANTS TO STATES, COUNTIES/CITIES, AND LOCAL COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS TO PROVIDE HIV CARE AND TREATMENT SERVICES TO MORE THAN HALF A MILLION PEOPLE EACH YEAR—APPROXIMATELY HALF OF ALL THOSE DIAGNOSED WITH HIV IN THE UNITED STATES. THE PROGRAM ALSO FUNDS CLINICIAN TRAINING, QUALITY IMPROVEMENT, AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF INNOVATIVE MODELS OF CARE TO IMPROVE HEALTH OUTCOMES AND REDUCE HIV TRANSMISSION. THE RYAN WHITE HIV/AIDS PROGRAM, FIRST AUTHORIZED IN 1990, WAS FUNDED AT \$2.32 BILLION IN FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2016.

- ▶ Home- and community-based health services
- ▶ Home health care
- ▶ Hospice services
- ▶ Medical case management, including treatment-adherence services
- ▶ Medical nutrition therapy
- ▶ Mental health services
- ▶ Oral health
- ▶ Outpatient and ambulatory medical care
- ▶ Substance use disorder outpatient care

Support services must be linked to medical outcomes and may include outreach, medical transportation, linguistic services, respite care for caregivers of people living with HIV, referrals for health care and other support services, nonmedical case management, and substance use disorder residential services. Recipients are required to spend at least 75 percent of their Part A grant funds allocated for services on core medical services and no more than 25 percent on support services, unless they receive an approved waiver to this requirement.

HIV HEALTH SERVICES PLANNING COUNCILS

Each EMA Planning Council sets HIV-related service priorities and allocates Part A funds on the basis of the number, demographics, and needs of people living with HIV.

Planning Council membership must reflect the demographics of the local epidemic and include members with specific

expertise in health care planning, housing for the homeless, health care for incarcerated populations, and substance abuse and mental health treatment, as well as members who represent other Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Parts and other federal programs. At least 33 percent of members must be unaligned and receive Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program services.

TGAs are required to implement a comprehensive community planning process, but the Planning Council structure and process, while strongly encouraged, is optional.

FUNDING CONSIDERATIONS

Part A grants to EMAs and TGAs include (1) formula and supplemental components and (2) Minority AIDS Initiative funds, which support services for minority populations. Approximately \$655.1 million was appropriated to Part A in FY 2016.

Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program EMAs

Atlanta, GA	Ft. Lauderdale, FL	New Orleans, LA	San Diego, CA
Baltimore, MD	Houston, TX	New York, NY	San Francisco, CA
Boston, MA	Los Angeles, CA	Newark, NJ	San Juan, PR
Chicago, IL	Miami, FL	Orlando, FL	Tampa-St. Petersburg, FL
Dallas, TX	Nassau-Suffolk, NY	Philadelphia, PA	Washington, DC
Detroit, MI	New Haven, CT	Phoenix, AZ	West Palm Beach, FL

Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program TGAs

Austin, TX	Indianapolis, IN	Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN	San Antonio, TX
Baton Rouge, LA	Jacksonville, FL	Nashville, TN	San Jose, CA
Bergen-Passaic, NJ	Jersey City, NJ	Norfolk, VA	Seattle, WA
Charlotte-Gastonia, NC/SC	Kansas City, MO	Oakland, CA	St. Louis, MO
Cleveland-Lorain-Elyria, OH	Las Vegas, NV	Orange County, CA	
Columbus, OH	Memphis, TN	Portland, OR	
Denver, CO	Middlesex-Somerset	Riverside-San Bernardino, CA	
Ft. Worth, TX	Hunterdon, NJ	Sacramento, CA	
Hartford, CT			

