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Preparing Patients, Communities and Educators for ACA

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Opportunities

• Assured and consistent access to ARVs and to services that link patients to care.

Challenges

• Understanding a new environment with new mechanisms for access to health care -- identifying the benefits and limitations to insurance plans.
• Capacity for Educators to navigate the ACA environment amongst all their duties.
How Are Patients, Communities, Educators being prepared: Top 3

1. Health and Insurance Literacy
   - Developing a Blueprint to assist patients in enhancing their health and insurance literacy to better understand and navigate insurance and health marketplaces

2. Mobilizing communities
   - Working with representatives of communities of color and minority populations to help educate and advocate around the ACA.

3. Capacity Building for Educators and Community Organizations
   - To ensure that organizations that are the point of first contact are able to answer questions or direct their constituents to relevant information, websites or people.
What can you do?

Å Understand
   ï How does the ACA affect certain highly-vulnerable minority populations, e.g. African-American, Latino, LGBT

Å Connect
   ï Understand and have knowledge of the organizations that could assist Patients in navigating the ACA.

Å Support
   ï Provide your insight and perspective to your local community to reduce the barriers between them and you.