### HIV Care Coordination Improves Short-Term Care Engagement and Viral Suppression among People without any Evidence of HIV Medical Care for at least 12 Months

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### **HIV Care Coordination in New York City**

- Launched the NYC comprehensive HIV care coordination program (CCP) in 2009
- CCP supports patients facing barriers to HIV care or treatment
- CCP increases short-term (12 month) viral load suppression, <u>beyond usual care</u>, for
  - Persons newly diagnosed or
  - Persons without viral suppression 12 months prior to enrollment

### The NYC Care Coordination Model



### Who is it?



### Objective

- Examine CCP effects on 1) engagement in care and 2) viral suppression among a subgroup of people who <u>did not have any evidence of HIV medical</u> <u>care (CD4 or VL) in the ≥12 prior to enrollment.</u>
- **Compared** outcomes of **CCP enrollees (N = 178)** in the first 12 months of enrollment **with** outcomes among a **'usual care' group (N = 148)**.



### **Data Sources**

- 1. Provider reporting in eSHARE (local HIV services database)
  - Contains information on all CCP enrollees
  - CCP providers contractually required to submit programmatic data
- 2. NYC HIV surveillance registry
  - Contains information on all HIV diagnoses in NYC
  - Including comprehensive laboratory information (CD4 and VL data) for individuals who receive HIV medical care



\*<u>E</u>lectronic <u>System</u> for <u>HIV/AIDS</u> <u>Reporting</u> and <u>E</u>valuation (eSHARE)

\*\*The NYC HIV Registry contains information on HIV diagnoses and longitudinal viral load results for all diagnosed persons living with HIV.

### **Usual Care Comparison Group**

- 1. Randomly assigned a pseudo-enrollment date to people who appeared eligible but not enrolled in CCP
- 2. Matched CCP enrollees to those in the usual care group on
  - 1. Propensity for CCP enrollment
  - 2. Pseudo-enrollment/enrollment dates and
  - 3. Treatment status at enrollment

# Variables in Propensity ScoreDemographic variablesSex, race/ethnicity, age, country of birth, HIV transmission riskClinical variableYear of diagnosis, baseline VL, baseline CD4, linkage to care, number of<br/>VL prior to enrollment,Neighborhood<br/>variablesZip code at enrollment, HIV prevalence and poverty levels within zip<br/>code at enrollment

### **Outcome Definitions**

- Care engagement (CE):
  - ≥2 laboratory events (VL or CD4) ≥90 days apart
  - In the 12-month follow-up period

- Viral suppression (VS):
  - Last viral load <200 copies
  - In the 12-month follow-up period

### **Statistical Analysis**

- GEE model with binary error distribution and logit link
  - Model terms: CCP or non-CCP exposure, care status (any or no care), and CCP\*care
  - We used the entire cohort for modeling to account for propensity matching
  - Odds Ratios are presented for the 'out of care' subgroup (no CD4/VL in the year prior to enrollment)

### Characteristics of Out of Care (N=326) Subgroup

C	CP-Enrollees <b>N = 7,058</b> From 12/01/09 to 3/31/13	-	Matched CCP <b>N = 6,207</b> 88% of all CCP-enrollees	->	Out of Care CCP <b>N =</b> 3% of all Enrollee	<b>178</b> es
	Characteristic*		CCP N (%)	Uรเ	ual Care N (%)	
	Total (N =326)		178 (100)		148 (100)	
	Black		88 (49)		74 (50)	
	25-44		94 (53)		75 (51)	
	Baseline CD4 <200		23 (13)		21 (14)	
Ì	Male		126 (71)		91 (62)	1
	Men who have sex with	<u>۱ me</u>	en 76 (43)		42 (28)	

# Care Engagement and Viral Suppression (%) – CCP versus Usual Care



\*≥2 labs ≥90 days apart in 12-month follow up

^Last viral load <200 copies in 12-month follow up

### **Strengths and Limitations**

### • Strengths

- Outcome data for CCP and usual-care group was available regardless of care location or duration of enrollment
- Contemporaneous control <u>matched on propensity scores</u> to control for confounding
- And <u>dates of enrollment</u> to ensure a CCP effect was not the result of secular improvements
- Limitations
  - Observational study
  - Possibility of uncontrolled confounding remains

### Discussion

• Expands the evidence base of effective interventions for people who are out of care

- CCP works better than usual care for reconnecting people who have been out of care with HIV care and treatment in the short-term
  - Notable given the landscape of comprehensive 'usual care' services available to persons living with HIV in NYC





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### **Supplemental Slides**

#### Short Term - Viral Suppression (%) at 12 Months after Enrollment – CCP versus Usual Care, by Baseline Treatment Status



### **Supplemental Methods**

### **Data Sources**



\*Electronic System for HIV/AIDS Reporting and Evaluation (eSHARE)

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### Constructing a Usual-Care Comparison (1)

- **Comparison (1)** 1. Identified persons who met clinical criteria for CCP enrollment, but were not enrolled
  - 1. Newly diagnosed
  - 2. Out of medical care
  - 3. Treatment naïve
  - 4. Exhibiting poor ART adherence
  - 5. Experiencing a viral rebound
  - 6. Experiencing a high viral load



### **Constructing a Usual-Care Comparison (2)**

- 2. Randomly assigned a pseudoenrollment date to eligible persons and restricted to persons residing in NYC
  - Assigned with probabilities such that the temporal distribution of dates matched the distribution of enrollment dates among CCP enrollees
  - Pseudo-enrollment date = time zero
  - Required persons to have ≥1 VL in months 0-12 after pseudoenrollment/enrollment and ≥ 2 VLs in months 13-36 (evidence of NYC residence and HIV care)



### **Constructing a Usual-Care Comparison (3)**

- 3. Matched CCP enrollees to those in the usual-care group on
  - a) Propensity for CCP enrollment
  - b) Pseudo-enrollment/enrollment dates
  - c) Baseline treatment status

Baseline Treatment Status	Definition
Newly diagnosed	Diagnosed ≤12 months prior to pseudo-enrollment/enrollment
Consistently suppressed	$\ge 2 \text{ VLs} \ge 90 \text{ days apart and all VLs} \le 200 \text{ copies/}\mu\text{L}$
No evidence of suppression	All VLs reported >200 copies/µL or no VL reported
Inconsistently suppressed	≥1 VL ≤200 copies/μL, but not all VLs ≤200 copies/μL