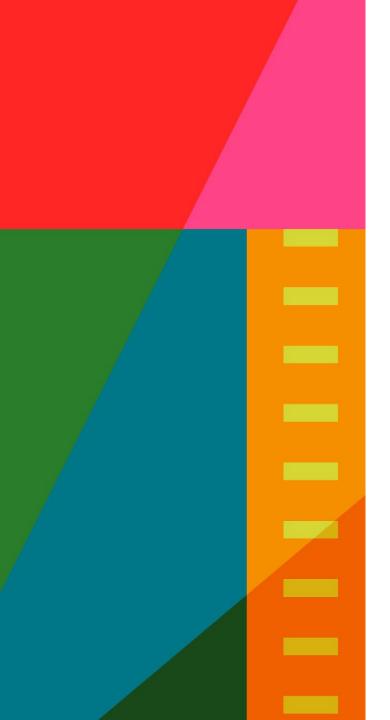
Leveraging Latinx Leadership for HIV Success in Uncertain Times

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Challenges to HIV Progress in Latinx Communities

- Policy Shifts and Budget Cuts: Federal actions threaten HIV funding, dismantle public health protections, weaken civil rights frameworks
- **Disproportionate Burden:** Latinx MSM accounted for 39% of estimated new U.S. HIV infections among gay, bisexual, other MSM in 2022 (CDC, 2024)
- Health Equity Under Assault: Cuts to Medicaid, CHCs, HIV prevention programs jeopardize equitable access to care, especially for immigrants, LGBTQ+ people, uninsured
- Compounding Crises: Mental health disparities, rising NCD rates (diabetes, cancers) among Latinx populations exacerbate HIV vulnerability
- Our Community is Not Monolithic: Latinx communities are diverse requiring nuanced, intersectional strategies

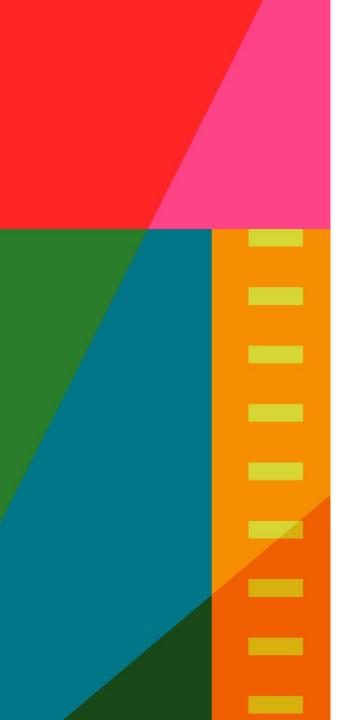






Rallying Latinx Leadership to Sustain HIV Progress

- Grounding in Lived Experience: Solutions must reflect the voices, cultures, realities of diverse Latinx community (la riqueza y diversidad de nuestras comunidades Latinas)
- Defending Gains, Demanding Justice: Latinx leadership essential to safeguard HIV funding, protect human rights, promote accountability
- Taking Data-Informed Action: Using epidemiological data, community-led monitoring to tailor equitable HIV prevention, testing, treatment, care strategies
- Building Cross-Sector Solidarity: Partnering across health, immigration, education, racial justice sectors to confront HIV + SDOH syndemic
- Seizing the Moment: Latinx leadership is key to realizing an equitable, resilient HIV response for our diverse community







Fast-Track Cities and Latinx Leadership Beyond EHE (?)

- Preparing for Uncertainty: In the possible absence of sustained federal EHE funding, Fast-Track Cities are doubling down on community-led innovation
- Latinx Leadership at the Center: Elevating
 Latinx leaders ensures HIV strategies remain
 rooted in the lived experiences of communities
 most impacted
- Prioritizing Prevention/Care: Expanding access to PrEP, rapid testing, immediate ART initiation, support services through Latinx-led networks



- Maintaining Trust/Engagement: Culturally responsive, Spanish-language, immigrant-inclusive approaches are critical to avert new infections and improve health outcomes
- Driving Local Solutions: Fast-Track Cities are committing to local investments, policy advocacy, public-private partnerships to sustain HIV prevention/care efforts – with Latinx communities leading the way
- Vision Beyond Crisis: Latinx leadership is essential not just for survival, but for building resilient, equitable health systems that can achieve EHE targets, health justice

¡Gracias por su liderazgo, su pasión y su compromiso a nuestras comunidades!

Sigamos luchando, innovando y avanzando juntos. ¡Adelante!

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