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Welcome Letter

Dear colleagues, friends, and champions of urban health,

On behalf of the International Association of Providers of AIDS Care (IAPAC), Fast-Track Cities Institute (FTCI), and our partners, welcome to New Orleans as we convene for the U.S. Fast-Track Cities 2025 Summit.

I am inspired by the breadth of expertise gathered here: public health officials, policymakers, clinical and community-based providers, and advocates from more than 50 cities and counties across the Fast-Track Cities network and Ending the HIV Epidemic (EHE) priority jurisdictions. Your commitment fuels our shared journey towards ending the US HIV epidemic.

This year's Summit underscores our collective readiness to deepen progress at a pivotal midpoint. Together, we will tackle key themes that are essential to fortifying local HIV responses amid shifting federal priorities and funding landscapes. In doing so, we are reaffirming that the future of the HIV response will be determined not only by science and policy, but also by our ability to sustain trust, equity, and justice.

Beyond the technical agenda, this Summit is set against the powerful backdrop of reflection and hope. Twenty years ago, in August 2005, Hurricane Katrina devastated New Orleans, testing the city's strength, spirit, and solidarity. As we gather here now, we honor the resilience of all those who endured loss, disruption, and injustice – and we celebrate this city's resurgence.

Over the next three days, let us carry forward dual intentions: to advance bold, sustainable strategies that accelerate the EHE initiative and fulfill Fast-Track Cities commitments, and to honor, through our collective resolve, the spirit of New Orleans – a city that rose from unimaginable loss. May the lessons of this city's resilience inspire us to design HIV responses that endure well beyond 2030.

In that spirit of resilience and innovation, I invite you to engage fully: attend plenaries and panels, contribute to abstract sessions, explore exhibitor spaces, and embrace the energizing community-led "Second Line" and HIV Arts March unfolding on September 16th in the streets of New Orleans. These moments are not side events; they are powerful expressions of healing, solidarity, culture, and public health in motion.

Thank you for your dedication. Together, let us reimagine what it means to fast-track toward a future that is healthier, more equitable, and more resilient for all our cities and communities.

With admiration and hope,

Dr. José M. Zuniga
President/CEO
IAPAC and FTCI



SCHEDULE AT-A-GLANCE

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2025

TIME	SESSION	ROOM
9:00 AM – 9:30 AM	OPENING CEREMONY Fast-Track Cities Rising: A Decade of Progress, A Future of Resilience Mayor LaToya Cantrell (City of New Orleans, LA) Morris Singletary (The PoZitive2poSitive Initiative, New Orleans, LA) José M. Zuniga (IAPAC and FTCL, Washington, DC)	GRAND HALL GENERAL SESSION ROOM
9:30 AM – 10:00 AM	KEYNOTE ADDRESS From Initiative to Impact: From Resilience to Justice: Fast-Tracking Health in New Orleans and Beyond Jennifer L. Avegno (New Orleans Department of Health, New Orleans, LA, USA)	GRAND HALL GENERAL SESSION ROOM
10:00 AM – 10:15 AM	BREAK	
10:15 AM - 11:30 AM	HIGH-LEVEL PANEL Leading Where It Matters: Municipal Leadership to End the HIV Epidemic MODERATOR: José M. Zuniga (IAPAC and FTCL, Washington, DC) PANELISTS: Jennifer L. Avegno (New Orleans Department of Health, New Orleans, LA, USA) Chiara Berrios Carrasquillo (San Juan Municipality, Puerto Rico) Stephen Lee (NASTAD, Washington, DC) Morris Singletary (The PoZitive2poSitive Initiative, New Orleans, LA)	GRAND HALL GENERAL SESSION ROOM
11:35 AM - 12:35 PM	PANEL DISCUSSION 1 Tracking Progress: Are We on Track to Achieve the US HIV Incidence Targets? MODERATOR: Lucy Slater (NACCHO, Washington, DC) PANELISTS: Sindhu Ravishankar (Fast-Track Cities Institute, Washington, DC) Patrick Sullivan (Emory University, Atlanta, GA) Mike Weir (NASTAD, Washington, DC)	GRAND HALL GENERAL SESSION ROOM
12:35 PM - 12:45 PM	BREAK	
12:45 - 2:00 PM	SPONSORED LUNCH SYMPOSIUM Breaking Barriers: Understanding and Addressing Regional Disparities in HIV Across the United States SPONSORED BY VIIV HEALTHCARE	GRAND HALL GENERAL SESSION ROOM
2:00 PM - 2:15 PM	BREAK	
2:15 - 2:45 PM	PLENARY SESSION 1 Community-Anchored: Person-Centered HIV Prevention to Close Gaps Leisha McKinley-Beach (Black Public Health Academy, Atlanta, GA)	GRAND HALL GENERAL SESSION ROOM

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MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2025

TIME	SESSION	ROOM
2:50 PM - 3:50 PM	PANEL DISCUSSION 2 Continuity of HIV Care: Person-Centered Coordination and Coverage MODERATOR: Stephen Lee (NASTAD, Washington, DC) PANELISTS: Sonya Hughes (Dallas County Health and Human Service, Dallas, TX) Ramatoulaye Keita (Whitman-Walker Health, Washington, DC) Heather Shoop (Clark County Social Services, Las Vegas, NV)	GRAND HALL GENERAL SESSION ROOM
3:50 PM - 4: 00 PM	BREAK	
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM	ORAL ABSTRACTS SESSIONS 1	SEE ABSTRACTS SCHEDULE
5:15 PM - 7:00 PM	NETWORKING RECEPTION	THE VIP LOUNGE

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2025

TIME	SESSION	ROOM
9:00 AM - 9:30 AM	PLENARY SESSION 2 Show Us the Money: Scaling HIV Responses in a Changing Funding Landscape Athena Cross (AIDS United, Washington, DC)	GRAND HALL GENERAL SESSION ROOM
9:35 AM - 10:35 AM	PANEL DISCUSSION 3 Strategic Funding: Block Grants, Budget Advocacy, and the State-Local Nexus MODERATOR: Julie Zigman (NACCHO, Washington, DC) PANELISTS: Ali B. Mansaray (SC Department of Public Health, Cayce, SC) Elizabeth A. Torrance (AIDS Alabama, Birmingham, AL) Alecia M. Tramel (Positive People Network, Miami, FL)	GRAND HALL GENERAL SESSION ROOM
10:35 AM - 10:45 AM	BREAK	
10:45 AM - 11:15 AM	PLENARY SESSION 3 Informed Advocacy: Using HIV and Other Data to Show an ROI Proposition Carl Baloney, Jr. (AIDS United, Washington, DC)	GRAND HALL GENERAL SESSION ROOM

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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2025

TIME	SESSION	ROOM
11:20 AM - 12:20 PM	PANEL DISCUSSION 4 Public-Private Partnership: Expanding Impact through Shared Responsibility MODERATOR: Bashirat Olayanju (NASTAD, Chicago, IL) PANELISTS: Vatsana Chanthala (New Orleans Department of Health, New Orleans, LA) Amna Osman (Nashville CARES, Nashville, TN) Tyler TerMeer (San Francisco AIDS Foundation, San Francisco, CA)	GRAND HALL GENERAL SESSION ROOM
12:20 PM - 1:20 PM	LUNCH BREAK	
1:20 PM - 2:00 PM	SATELLITE SYMPOSIUM Housing to End HIV: Current Threats and Opportunities HOSTED BY NHAHC AND HOUSING WORKS	GRAND HALL GENERAL SESSION ROOM
2:00 PM - 2:15 PM	BREAK	
2:15 PM - 3:15 PM	ORAL ABSTRACTS SESSION 2	SEE ABSTRACTS SCHEDULE
3:15 PM - 3:30 PM	BREAK	
3:30 PM - 4:00 PM	PLENARY SESSION 4 Bridging Care: Faith Communities Engaged in Accelerating HIV Responses Bishop OC Allen (Vision Community Foundation, Atlanta, GA)	GRAND HALL GENERAL SESSION ROOM
4:05 PM - 5:00 PM	PANEL DISCUSSION 5 Rooted in Resilience: Power of Communities to Change the HIV Narrative MODERATOR: Deondre Moore (IAPAC and FTCL, Dallas, TX) PANELISTS: Arianna Inurritegui-Lint (Arianna's Center, Fort Lauderdale, FL) Sy'ria Jackson (Ryan White Resources and Services, New Orleans, LA) Cleo Manago (Pride Center of Maryland, Baltimore, MD)	GRAND HALL GENERAL SESSION ROOM

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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2025

TIME	SESSION	ROOM
9:35 AM - 10:05 AM	PLENARY SESSION 6 Syndemic Approach: Addressing STIs, Mental Health, and Substance Use Sarah Braunstein (NYC Department of Health & Mental Hygiene, New York, NY)	GRAND HALL GENERAL SESSION ROOM
10:10 AM - 11:10 AM	PANEL DISCUSSION 6 Models of Care: Supporting a New Workforce for Person-Centered HIV Care MODERATOR: Moises Agosto (NMAC, Washington, DC) PANELISTS: Clover L. Barnes (DC Department of Health, Washington, DC) Julia Fleming (Fenway Health, Boston, MA) Sarah E. Rowan (Public Health Institute at Denver Health, Denver, CO)	GRAND HALL GENERAL SESSION ROOM
11:15 AM - 12:15 PM	PANEL DISCUSSION 7 Cities as Catalysts: Advocacy, Accountability, and the Path to 2030 MODERATOR: José M. Zuniga (IAPAC and FTCL, Tampa, FL) PANELISTS: J Ashenayi (AIDS Free Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA) Anne Cronyn (City of Tampa, Tampa, FL) Marlene McNeese (Houston Health Department, Houston, TX)	GRAND HALL GENERAL SESSION ROOM
12:20 PM - 12:30 PM	CLOSING SESSION Shared Commitment: Finding Hope and Strength in New Orleans's Resilience	GRAND HALL GENERAL SESSION ROOM

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Breaking Barriers: Understanding & Addressing Regional Disparities in HIV Across the United States



Monday, September 15, 2025
12:45–2pm CT

This session delves into the current state of the HIV epidemic in the United States, highlighting geographic distribution and regional disparities that shape the trajectory of the epidemic. By examining the nuances of HIV prevalence and care gaps across diverse communities, participants will explore actionable strategies to address inequities, strengthen local responses, and drive progress toward ending the epidemic. Through data-driven insights and strategic initiatives, this program aims to empower attendees to create targeted solutions that improve health outcomes and reduce disparities in HIV prevention, care, and treatment.

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