

HIV & American Indian and Alaska Native Youth



SUCCESS!

There have been no HIV diagnoses in an AI/AN person younger than 13 years old since 2015

WHAT IS THE STATE OF HIV AMONG AI/AN YOUTH

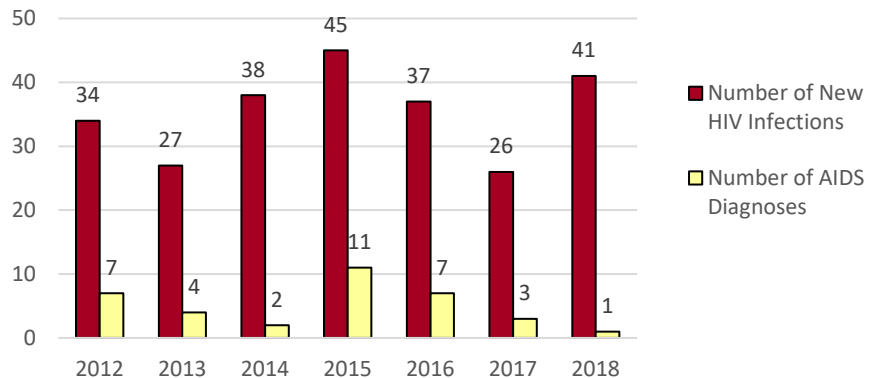
NEW HIV INFECTIONS

The number of new HIV infections among all AI/AN in 2016 were more than 200 for the first time in years.

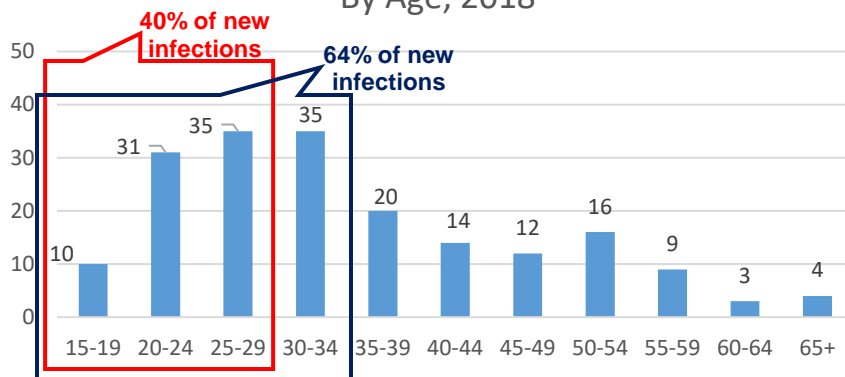
In 2017, there were a total of 3,034 AI/AN people living with HIV (1,475 of those are living with an AIDS diagnoses).

The number of AI/AN people with HIV that are dying is declining (from 64 in 2013 to 39 in 2017). In 2017, 33 of the 39 people (85%) that passed away had an AIDS diagnosis.

Number of New HIV and AIDS Diagnoses Among AI/AN Youth, 13-24 years of age



Number of New HIV Infections Among AI/AN , By Age, 2018



YOUTH DATA

In 2018, the highest rate of new infections was among people age 25-29 (32.5 per 100,000).

In 2018, 29% of new HIV infections among AI/AN men that have sex with men occurred in youth between the ages of 15 and 24.

In 2018, 44% of new AIDS diagnoses among AI/AN men that have sex with men occurred in men in their 20s.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

The data is important, however it does not tell the whole story. There are other points that should be considered when talking about HIV and AI/AN Youth.

- Are prevention services reaching youth, or are they appropriate for youth?
- Are youth engaged in Tribal or local HIV programming?
- Is there comprehensive sexual and reproductive health education at the Tribal or local level?
- What is being done for AI/AN gay, bisexual or two spirit young men?
- Are services available for youth without the consent of an adult?

Based upon data from Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. HIV Surveillance Report, 2018 (Preliminary); vol. 30. <http://www.cdc.gov/hiv/library/reports/hiv-surveillance.html>. Published November 2019.

