

Important Dates Commemorating HIV/AIDS:

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Dates & Descriptions:

December 1st – World AIDS Day: Raises awareness on the global HIV/AIDS pandemic.

February 7th – National Black HIV Awareness Day: Mobilizes the Black community to participate in and support HIV prevention, education, care and treatment.

March 1st thru March 7th – Black Church Week of Prayer for the Healing of AIDS: Engages the Black faith community in HIV/AIDS prevention and education.

March 10th - National Women and Girls HIV/AIDS Awareness Day: Recognizes the impact HIV/AIDS among women and girls; and empowers women to be educated about their health and health rights.

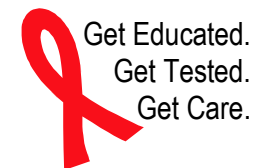
May 7th – World AIDS Orphan Day: Raise attention to and advocate on behalf of the more than 15 million children orphaned by AIDS.

May 18th - HIV Vaccine Awareness Day: Recognizes the thousands of people working together to find a safe and effective HIV vaccination; and encourages education about preventive HIV vaccination research.

May 25th – Africa Day: Celebrates the achievements, contributions, and culture of Africa and encourages Africans to unite in addressing challenges, such as HIV/AIDS.

June 16th - Day of the African Child: It was first initiated by the OAU in 1991. This day honors the memory of the children who, in 1976, were brutally shot down while marching in the streets of Soweto, South Africa to protest the inferior quality of their education. This is an opportunity to exercise our right to education about HIV/AIDS.

June 27th – National HIV Testing Day: Educates on the importance of HIV testing and encourages people to know their status.



Lack of knowledge is darker than night.

African Proverb