

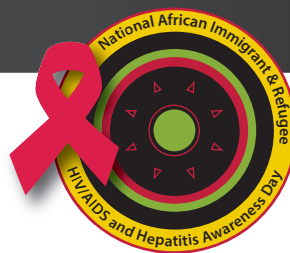
“THE HIDDEN EPIDEMIC”:

HIV AND HEPATITIS B PREVENTION, SCREENING AND CARE FOR AFRICAN IMMIGRANTS



African immigrants constitute a highly diverse and rapidly growing group in the United States that is disproportionately impacted by HIV/AIDS and Hepatitis B. Barriers for engagement in prevention, screening and care services for African immigrants include stigma, cultural beliefs, fear of immigration and lack of awareness. Presenters will provide a comprehensive understanding of how cultural and social factors influence the ways African immigrants are at risk for and engage in HIV and Hepatitis B services. In addition to exploring the barriers, presenters will discuss best practices in addressing barriers to provide effective prevention, screening and care.

The webinar series will also highlight establishing September 9th as National African Immigrant & Refugee HIV/AIDS and Hepatitis Awareness Day (NAIRHHA Day). Bringing to the national forefront the HIV/AIDS and Hepatitis needs of African immigrants can not only engage the impacted community, but also support changes in providing cultural and linguistically appropriate services and developing a comprehensive response lead by relevant policy changes.



Register online at
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OBJECTIVES:

- 1 Describe the current HIV/AIDS and Hepatitis B epidemiological and behavioral risk trends for African immigrants living in the United States.
- 2 Identify common challenges African immigrant clients' experience in engaging in HIV and Hepatitis B prevention, screening and clinical care services
- 3 Identify common challenges clinicians experience in providing HIV and Hepatitis B prevention, screening and clinical care services to African immigrants
- 4 Identify best practices in improving engagement, linkage and retention to HIV and Hepatitis B services for African immigrants
- 5 Build awareness and action for the National African Immigrant & Refugee HIV and Hepatitis Awareness Day (NAIRHHA Day)

Webinar descriptions, dates and times on reverse



EPIDEMIOLOGY OF HIV/AIDS AND HEPATITIS B AMONG AFRICAN IMMIGRANTS: CURRENT STATUS, BARRIERS, AND CHALLENGES

THURSDAY, MAY 21ST: 10:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

Ponni Perumalswami, MD, Assistant Professor of Medicine at Mount Sinai School of Medicine

Roxanne Kerani, PhD, MPH, Acting Assistant Professor/Adjunct Assistant Professor at University of Washington

Emeobong "Eme" Martin, MPH, Project Manager at Center for Health Equity and Wellness

IMPROVING HIV PREVENTION, SCREENING AND CLINICAL CARE FOR AFRICAN IMMIGRANTS

MONDAY, JUNE 1ST: 3:00 P.M. – 4:30 P.M.

Helena A. Kwakwa, MD, Director of HIV Clinical Services at Philadelphia Department of Public Health

Chioma Nnaji, MPH, MEd, Program Director at the Multicultural AIDS Coalition – Africans For Improved Access Program

Bisola Ojikutu, MD, MPH, Assistant Professor of Medicine at Harvard Medical School (HMS) and Associate Physician within the Division of Global Health Equity at Brigham and Women's Hospital

IMPROVING HEPATITIS B PREVENTION, SCREENING AND CLINICAL CARE FOR AFRICAN IMMIGRANTS

MONDAY, JUNE 15TH: 3:00 P.M. – 4:30 P.M.

Chari Cohen, DrPH, MPH, Director of Public Health for the Hepatitis B Foundation (HBF)

Aaron Vanderhoff, Hepatitis Program Coordinator at African Services Committee

Continuing Education Units (per webinar)

This is an educational program directed to practicing professionals. Attendees should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Method of Participation: There are no fees for participating and receiving CE credit for this activity. To receive continuing education units for

this program, participants must (1) read the learning objectives and faculty disclosures, (2) attend the program in its entirety, (3) answer any polling questions presented, and (4) complete an evaluation form. A certificate will be emailed to participants within 4 weeks.

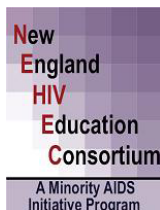
Nurses: Under the auspices of the New England AIDS Education & Training Center, this offering

meets the requirements for a maximum of 1.8 contact hours, as specified by the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Nursing (244-CMR 5.04). Each nurse should claim only those hours of credit that he/she actually spent in the educational activity.

Social Workers: This program has been approved for 1.5 social worker CE's.



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