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Achieving the HIV Testing Goals of the National HIV/AIDS Strategy

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HIV Testing Goal in the NHAS

By 2015:

Increase from 79 percent to 90 percent the percentage of people living with HIV who know their serostatus.
Also Included in Other Strategies

• Testing Goal Included in Healthy People 2020
  • Selected as one of prioritized 26 Leading Health Indicators

• Testing Goal included as a Key Indicator in the National Prevention Strategy
Why Knowing HIV Status is Important

• Important to the Individual
  • Brings them into Care & Treatment
    • Key to success of NHAS Care & Treatment Goal

• Important to Society
  • People who are positive and know their status less likely to transmit HIV
    • Key to reducing new infections—another NHAS goal

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Number of People Who Do Not Know they are Positive

- Assume 1.2 million people living with HIV/AIDS
- 21% = 252,000 people
- Need to diagnose 132,000 people by 2015
- 50,000 new infections each year
In order to Accomplish Goals

- Need Coordinated Efforts involving:
  - Federal Government
  - State Government
  - Private Entities
  - New Technologies
  - Policy & Program Changes

- All brought together in today’s Institute
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