HUD Ideas in Action: HOPWA and the National HIV/AIDS Strategy

Submit comments to HUD about HOPWA in your community

HUD has announced an online public forum intended to solicit ideas and suggestions for advancing HOPWA’s contributions to stable housing and health outcomes. The comment period on this site will **close on April 19, 2011**.

The HOPWA forum is open for public comment through the [HUD Ideas in Action webpage](http://hudideasinaction.uservoice.com/forums/103515-how-should-hud-update-the-hopwa-funding-formula-to) or [Visit, www.nationalaidshousing.org](http://www.nationalaidshousing.org) and click on the HUD link on the home page.

HUD is soliciting your ideas and suggestions related to:

- How HUD can best seek to update the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) funding formula to better target resources to need;
- How we can increase access to housing and non-medical supportive services for people living with HIV/AIDS; and
- How we can enhance the HOPWA program to help prevent and end homelessness for people living with HIV/AIDS.

We encourage everyone affected by HOPWA to share this information with your networks and submit comments to HUD.

**Submit comments before April 19, 2011**
NORTH AMERICAN HOUSING & HIV/AIDS RESEARCH SUMMIT VI
SEPTEMBER 21 - 23, 2011
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ELIMINATING HIV HEALTH DISPARITIES:
IS HOUSING THE KEY TO ENDING THE AIDS CRISIS?

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The Housing and HIV/AIDS Research Summit Series provides a unique interdisciplinary forum for presentation and discussion of new findings on the role of housing in HIV prevention and care. Now in its sixth year, the Summit Series is established as the premiere venue for informing HIV/AIDS housing policy, and is acknowledged as an innovative and influential opportunity for the broader discussion of housing and health.

The 2011 North American Housing & HIV/AIDS Summit will be held September 21-23, in New Orleans, Louisiana. Researchers, policy makers, providers and consumers will come together to review findings from research and policy initiatives, discuss evidence-based housing practice and policy, and develop community-driven research and advocacy strategies.

The Summit VI theme is Eliminating HIV Health Disparities, to focus on the potential of housing strategies to address inequalities in HIV health outcomes and to end the AIDS crisis by preventing new infections. Particular attention will be given to housing need and interventions among vulnerable populations and underserved communities, including displaced persons, rural areas, and resource-poor settings. Full-day research, practice and advocacy Learning Institutes will precede the two-day Summit meeting. The convening organizations invite broad attendance and participation from the Caribbean and Mexico, in addition to all regions of the United States and Canada, to make this year's meeting a truly North American Summit.

The North American Housing and HIV/AIDS Research Summit is convened by the National AIDS Housing Coalition (NAHC) and the Ontario HIV Treatment Network (OHTN), working in collaboration with the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health and the Tulane University School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine. The co-convening organizations invite you to join us at Summit VI and to consider becoming a Summit Series partner.

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