

## **Quality and Performance Measures Team**

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Dear Colleagues,

The **Quality and Performance Measures Teams'** (QPM) charge is to *review and discuss data; develop indicators to track CT's progress in HIV prevention and care;* and *help improve the quality of HIV prevention and care.* To improve the quality of HIV prevention and care, QPM's mission, since merging with the Cross-Part Collaborative in 2016, has been to implement a Quality Improvement (QI) campaign across the CT HIV Prevention and Care Continuum.

Due to the planning process for the submission of the CT Care and Prevention Plan that concluded last fall, QPM has not initiated QI projects. This year, the committee has been intentional in reviewing QI projects that have been implemented by Ryan White funded jurisdictions (see attached compiled list).

The QPM committee completed a poll that prioritized QI topic areas of focus. They are **PrEP (33%), Housing (25%)**; and **Disparities (17%)**. QPM will be communicating with each Ryan White jurisdiction to recommend QI projects that implement at least 1 of the priority areas listed. There is no expectation that the jurisdiction will create a new project. For example, if your agency is currently focused on Viral Load Suppression, Retention in Care, STIs, PrEP, etc., your jurisdiction can focus on disparity populations within each. If you are already doing this, you are already addressing this request. In Fall 2023, QPM will update its compilation of QI projects with outcomes for each Jurisdiction. Please look out for communication from the QPM Team.

The Quality Management Summit, which is held in the fall, will be the culmination of QPM's focus on Quality. This summit will give all of you an inside look at projects that have made major impact in the HIV Prevention and Care continuum. We hope you join us! This year's summit will be held in October. Summit information will be sent out shortly.

Thank you all for your continued partnership!

Sincerely,

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## Quality Improvement (QI) Projects on Quality Summit Priority Topics Last Updated: March 2023

| RW Part    | Agency           | Topic / Condition | Measure   | Status    |
|------------|------------------|-------------------|---|-----------|
| A Hartford | Mercy            | Retention in care | Attendance at medical appointments every 6 months                             | Completed |
| D          | CHS              | Retention in care | Retention in care and medical visit appointments                              | Ongoing   |
| D          | Cornell Scott    | Retention in care | Retention in care and medical visit appointments                              | Ongoing   |
| D          | Generations      | Retention in care | Data integrity  | Ongoing   |
| D          | Optimus          | Retention in care | Retention in care and medical visit appointments                              | Ongoing   |
| D          | Southwest<br>CHC | Retention in care | Retention in care and medical visit appointments                              | Ongoing   |
| D          | Staywell         | Retention in care | Data integrity  | Ongoing   |
| A Hartford | ACT              | VL suppression    | VL suppression in clients that suffer from MH and substance misuse            | Completed |
| A Hartford | CHS              | VL suppression    | Viral load (VL) suppression   | Completed |
| A Hartford | LCS              | VL suppression    | VL suppression in clients that suffer from MH and substance misuse            | Completed |
| В          | DPH              | VL suppression    | VL suppression data   | Completed |
| A NH/FF    | Region 1         | VL suppression    | Identify causes / address barriers for non-virally suppressed cohort          | Ongoing   |
| A NH/FF    | Region 4         | VL suppression    | Increase viral load suppression among black women and young                   | Ongoing   |
|            |                  |                   | MSM of color; maintain Region's 92% viral load suppression rate               |           |
| A NH/FF    | Region 2         | STIs              | STI screenings  | Ongoing   |
| A Hartford | HRA              | STIs              | Annual syphilis screenings  | Completed |
| A NH/FF    | Region 4         | STIs              | Increase the number of annual STI screenings (Syphilis, Chlamydia, Gonorrhea) | Ongoing   |
| A Hartford | CRT              | Disparities       | Engagement among Black/Brown heterosexual males                               | Completed |
| A NH/FF    | Region 3         | Disparities       | Hepatitis B vaccination rate among Heterosexual Black women,                  |           |
|            |                  |                   | Transgender women of color, and MSM of color                                  | Ongoing   |
| A NH/FF    | Region 3         | Disparities       | Oral health screenings among Heterosexual Black women,                        |           |
|            |                  |                   | Transgender women and MSM of color  | Ongoing   |
| A Hartford | СНС              | PrEP              | PrEP uptake   | Completed |