

## Questions for DIS Staff

Thank you for agreeing to take this survey. We are asking DIS a series of questions to identify opportunities for training and capacity building with the goals of fostering improved partner services experiences for all people in Philadelphia, increasing linkages to HIV treatment and HIV prevention care, and building sustained professional development opportunities for DIS staff in the STD/ HIV frontline workforce.

All answers will be completely anonymous- from DDC and from AACO. There will be no punitive actions as a result of your responses or your coworkers in Partner Services.

1. How long have you been conducting Partner Services?

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|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <input type="radio"/> < 1 year  | <input type="radio"/> 6-10 years  |
| <input type="radio"/> 1-2 years | <input type="radio"/> 11-15 years |
| <input type="radio"/> 3-4 years | <input type="radio"/> 15+ years   |
| <input type="radio"/> 5-8 years |                                   |

2. How long have you been working in the field of HIV?

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|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <input type="radio"/> < 1 year  | <input type="radio"/> 6-10 years  |
| <input type="radio"/> 1-2 years | <input type="radio"/> 11-15 years |
| <input type="radio"/> 3-4 years | <input type="radio"/> 15+ years   |
| <input type="radio"/> 5-8 years |                                   |

3. I believe that HIV+ individuals who take medication and are virally suppressed (undetectable) cannot transmit HIV.

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

4. I believe it is an important part of the role of a DIS to link people who receive an HIV-negative test result who are at risk for HIV exposure to PrEP and primary care at every interview for syphilis and GC.

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

5. I believe that *most* HIV treatment regimens are highly toxic drugs with many side effects.

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

6. I would trust condoms to protect me against HIV and STIs.

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

7. Hepatitis C is a topic that has come up in my interactions with clients.

Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Frequently
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

8. I believe it is an important part of the role of a DIS to link individuals to HIV treatment if they receive a positive test result.

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

9. What is HIV Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP)?

- ☐ A pill that individuals can take daily **before HIV exposure** to prevention HIV acquisition
- ☐ A pill that individuals can take daily **after HIV exposure** to prevent HIV acquisition
- ☐ An experimental drug that might prevent HIV, research is still being done
- ☐ I don't know, I need more training to be able to talk about this with my clients

10. I believe immediate linkage to HIV care and treatment for people who test HIV-positive is important.

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

11. I believe that understanding social issues that affect my clients would help me better fulfill my DIS responsibilities?

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

12. What is Post-Exposure Prophylaxis (PEP)?

- ☐ A pill that individuals can take daily **before HIV exposure** to prevention HIV acquisition
- ☐ A pill that individuals can take daily **after HIV exposure** to prevent HIV acquisition
- ☐ An experimental drug that might prevent HIV, research is still being done
- ☐ I don't know, I need more training to be able to talk about this with my clients

13. I believe PrEP causes people to make riskier choices around their sexual practices.

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

14. HIV treatment (antiretroviral medication) works to:

- ☐ Increase HIV viral load and decrease CD4 cells
- ☐ Decrease HIV viral load and decrease CD4 cells
- ☐ Decrease HIV viral load and increase CD4 cells
- ☐ Increase HIV viral load and increase CD4 cells

15. Bacterial STIs (Chlamydia, Gonorrhea, and Syphilis) are curable.

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ I don't know

16. I believe that understanding other health issues that affect my clients would help me to better fulfill my DIS responsibilities?

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

17. I would recommend PrEP to a friend or family member who is at risk for continued HIV exposure.

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

18. A person must start PEP within \_\_\_\_\_ after being exposed to HIV.

- ☐ 120 hours
- ☐ 24 hours
- ☐ 48 hours
- ☐ 72 hours

19. I believe the information I collect in individual interviews is used for developing plans for systemic change.

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

20. I believe insurance is a barrier to accessing PrEP services (such as medical visits, labs, and medication).

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

21. I believe Partner Services is key service area to help end the HIV epidemic.

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

22. An HIV-positive person needs medical insurance in order to access HIV care and treatment in the City of Philadelphia and surrounding counties.

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ I don't know

23. Clients I interact with are at risk for hepatitis C.

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

24. I believe I have the resources I need to give my clients an HIV-positive test result.

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

25. I believe I need more information and training to successfully offer PrEP and link clients with PrEP care.

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

26. I believe PrEP is safe and highly effective.

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>













27. Please rank the specific areas of training in which you would like to increase competency:

Rank from 1 = most interesting/important/relevant topic to 9 = least interesting topic

<input type="text"/>	HIV Pre-exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) and Post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP)
<input type="text"/>	Race and racial disparities in HIV Prevention
<input type="text"/>	Opioids 101, Naloxone, and Syringe Access Programs – Harm Reduction Strategies to Support People who Use Drugs
<input type="text"/>	Linkage to HIV Care
<input type="text"/>	STIs and STI Prevention
<input type="text"/>	Competent HIV Testing Across the Gender Spectrum
<input type="text"/>	HIV 201- Building off the basics
<input type="text"/>	Role of DIS in Philly's HIV Infrastructure
<input type="text"/>	Skills-Related Trainings (ex: Mental Health First Aid)

28. Are there specific skills based trainings you'd like to request?

29. What are the major barriers you think impact your clients' ability to access HIV/STI treatment?  
(RANK FROM 1 - 6, **1 being the largest barrier**)

	<input type="text" value="1"/>  Scheduling Challenges (work, child care)
	<input type="text" value="2"/>  Mental Health and/or Addiction Issues
	<input type="text" value="3"/>  Lack of Stability (housing, unemployment, criminal justice history)
	<input type="text" value="4"/>  Attitude/Perception About HIV and Health
	<input type="text" value="5"/>  Health Insurance and/or Access to Medical Care
	<input type="text" value="6"/>  Challenges with Medical Facility

30. Are there other major barriers that affect your clients' ability to access HIV/STI treatment?

31. Are there specific topics that would help you serve your clients better or any additional comments?