



HIV/AIDS AMONG BLACKS IN FLORIDA AND MIAMI-DADE

2007



Silence is Death

FLORIDA (2007)

- ✓ Blacks comprise 14% of Florida's adult (13+) population, but over half (54%) of the 3,888 AIDS cases and 45% of the 6,077 HIV cases reported in 2007.
- ✓ In 2007, blacks accounted for 45% (N=1,168) of 2,571 AIDS cases in men and 72% (N=945) of 1,317 AIDS cases in women.
- ✓ In 2007, blacks accounted for 37% (N=1,587) of 4,295 HIV cases in men and 63% (N=1,115) of 1,776 HIV cases in women.
- ✓ 86,437 adults in Florida are currently living with HIV/AIDS, of which 42,604 (49%) are black.
- ✓ In 2007, the AIDS case rate among black women was 20 times higher than that among white women. The AIDS case rate among black males was 6 times higher than that for white males in Florida.
- ✓ Of the 1,201 living pediatric HIV/AIDS cases through 2007, 78% were among blacks. Black children less than 13 years old made up 21% of Florida's population (under age 13) in 2007.
- ✓ In 2007, among black male HIV cases, 38% were MSM.
- ✓ In 2007, heterosexual contact was the mode of transmission for 67% of black women in Florida with HIV.
- ✓ HIV/AIDS cases have been significantly decreasing among blacks from 1999 through 2007, although the rates are still many times higher than those among whites or Hispanics.
- ✓ HIV is still the number one cause of death among black men and women, ages 25-44.

MIAMI-DADE (2007)

- ✓ Blacks comprise 20% of Miami-Dade County's population, but over half (58%) of the 811 AIDS cases and 46% of the 1,450 HIV (regardless of AIDS status) cases reported in 2007.
- ✓ In 2007, blacks accounted for 48% (N=257) of 534 AIDS cases in men and 75% (N=210) of 277 cases in women.
- ✓ In 2007, blacks accounted for 37% (N=394) of 1,062 HIV (regardless of AIDS status) cases in men and 69% (N=270) of 388 in women.
- ✓ 23,803 adults in Miami-Dade County are currently living with HIV/AIDS, of which 11,555 (48%) are black.
- ✓ In 2007, the AIDS case rate among black women was 20 times higher than that among white women. The AIDS case rate among black males was 6 times higher than that for white males in Miami-Dade County.
- ✓ Of the 481 living pediatric HIV/AIDS cases through 2007, 80% were among blacks. Black children less than 14 years old made up 5.1% of Miami-Dade County's population (under age 14) in 2007.
- ✓ In 2007, among black male HIV cases, 29% were MSM.
- ✓ In 2007, heterosexual contact was the mode of transmission for 61% of black women in Miami-Dade County with HIV.
- ✓ HIV/AIDS cases have been significantly decreasing among blacks from 1999 through 2007, although the rates are four times higher than those among whites and Hispanics.
- ✓ HIV is third cause of death among black men and women, after heart diseases and cancer.

Break the "Silence" by:

- Raising awareness about HIV/AIDS among blacks;
- Encourage individuals to be tested for HIV/AIDS;
- Increase youth involvement in HIV community planning, decision making and HIV prevention programming;
- Reduce barriers to HIV testing, prevention and care by reducing HIV/AIDS stigma; and
- Disseminate information on the health benefits of condoms and other risk reduction measures.