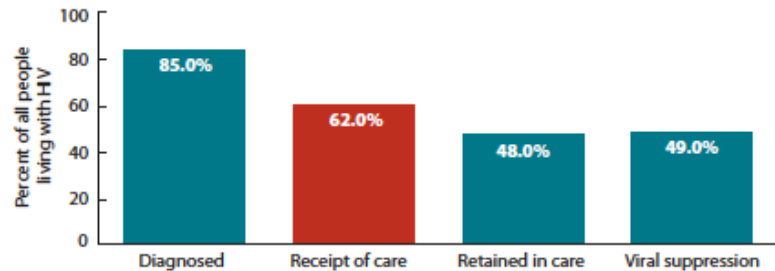


KEY POINTS:

The HIV Care Continuum: What Is It

- A data tool to look at the level of care and treatment people living with HIV are receiving
- Monitoring how many people are diagnosed, connected to care, retained in care, and ultimately, virally suppressed (meaning they cannot transmit HIV).

Figure 1: Prevalence-Based HIV Care Continuum, 2014



This is the HIV Care Continuum of the general US population living with HIV (CDC, 2014).

Another version of the HIV Care Continuum, *called the HIV Housing Care Continuum*, created by HOPWA providers— examines how housing as intervention affects viral suppression.

- Most Continuums show about a 20% increase in viral suppression among HOPWA clients (compared to non-HOPWA clients).

Why Create an HIV Housing Care Continuum data tool?

- **Illustrate** engagement in care and treatment, **Benchmark** against other HIV Care Continuums, **Identify** successes and gaps, **Focus** on vulnerable populations, **Monitor** outcomes, **Improve** outcomes by enhancing services, and **Inform** policy-makers on program development and **Align** with national initiatives.

To Create Your Own HIV Housing Care Continuum:

- How large of an area do you want to assess? (Just your agency or citywide, MSA, State?)
- Who will you partner with to get data?
- What data is available to gather (how many clients, what demographics are important, etc.)



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Finally, remember to send your HIV Housing Care Continuums to HUD!



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