



How to Find Reliable **HIV/AIDS** Treatment
Information on the Internet

HIV/AIDS Treatment Web Sites: Alphabetical Listing

Following is an annotated list of unique, high-quality Web sites that offer HIV/AIDS treatment information. Selected treatment links from each main site are indented below the main site and appear in smaller print.

✧ **Adult AIDS Clinical Trials Group (AACTG)**

<http://aactg.s-3.com>

The AACTG, the largest AIDS clinical trials organization in the world, assists in setting standards of care for HIV infection and related opportunistic diseases. The AACTG also provides data for the approval of therapeutic agents, and treatment and prevention strategies for opportunistic infections and malignancies. The management and core members of the AACTG consist of clinical scientists in the field of HIV/AIDS therapeutic research. The AACTG is funded by the Division of AIDS of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, part of the National Institutes of Health. This site would be of interest to clinicians conducting HIV/AIDS treatment research trials.

✧ **AIDS 2002: XIV International AIDS Conference**

<http://www.aids2002.com>

The XIV International AIDS Conference will be held in Barcelona, Spain, July 7-12, 2002. The theme will be “Knowledge and Commitment for Action.” Conference activities will be built on two components, “Biomedical, Behavioral and Social Sciences (science)” and “Interventions, Program Implementation and Policy (action).” Additional sessions are planned to encourage dialogue among participants from both conference components.

✧ **AIDS Action Committee of Massachusetts, Inc.**

<http://www.aac.org>

The AIDS Action Committee of Massachusetts, Inc. is a New England service organization. It provides services, educates, and is an advocate for people living with HIV/AIDS. Most of the committee’s income is derived from non-government sources, including foundations, corporations, private donations, and special events. Individual donors are the largest source of financial support.

Click on the [Site Map](#) at the bottom of the page (or go to <http://www.aac.org/sitemap.htm>) and scroll down to “HIV Health” to find links to the following.

HIV Treatment Information and Education

http://www.aac.org/hivhealth_healthinfo.htm

Contains information on the HIV Health Library, including the HIV Index, which is an index of articles in the library. This index is useful for identifying and locating articles in a large selection of AIDS treatment newsletters, many of which are free on the Internet (and links to them are included). The indexing seems to be more current on some topics than on others; however, no items from 2002 could be found in the index. This page also includes a link to *HIV Health News* (a monthly publication listing news updates, new journal information and other timely treatment information) and to *Wellspring*, a magazine about HIV treatment, nutrition, and other health issues for people living with HIV (the latest article is from 1999).

Treatment Sites

http://www.aac.org/hivhealth_treatment.htm

A list of clinics that serve HIV/AIDS patients in Massachusetts

Talking with Your Doctor

http://www.aac.org/hivhealth_talktoyourdr.htm

This workbook is designed to help you build a partnership with your doctor and give you some simple tips about how to talk with him/her.

Taking the Pills

http://www.aac.org/hivhealth_takingpills.htm

Information and practical tips on adherence

Health Challenges

http://www.aac.org/hivhealth_healthchall.htm

This page lists symptoms that should alert patients to call their doctors and Massachusetts workshops on HIV/AIDS treatment issues.

❖ **AIDS Clinical Trials Information Service (ACTIS)**

<http://actis.org>

ACTIS is the central government Web resource for information on federally and privately funded HIV/AIDS clinical trials for adults and children. This service is a Public Health Service (PHS) project provided collaboratively by the National Institute for Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID), the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), the National Library of Medicine (NLM), and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Some of the information on this site is in Spanish. You can hear information or leave a message in English or Spanish by calling the toll-free number, (800) 874-2572 (800-TRIALS-A).

Find a Clinical Trial

This is a database of all government and commercial company clinical trials that evaluate experimental drug treatments for varying stages of HIV/AIDS, including currently recruiting trials and closed trials. You can search open or closed trials by age group, conditions studied, trial category, phase, sponsoring agency, trial ID number, city, state/territory, country, and other search terms. If you find a trial of interest, contact information is provided. Non-technical and technical descriptions of each trial are provided. The non-technical descriptions of all trials are also in Spanish.

Find Drug Information

This is a database of information on drugs studied in clinical trials for HIV/AIDS. You can search on drug name, trial I.D. number, therapeutic class, or other search terms.

Find Vaccine Information

On this page, you can search a database containing information on all open and closed preventative and therapeutic HIV/AIDS vaccine trials. The page also contains links to upcoming conferences, a dictionary, fact sheets and news releases, publications, research programs, and Web sites on HIV/AIDS vaccines.

Find International Resources

This page contains information on clinical trials in countries other than the United States.

Learn About Clinical Trials

Find out how clinical trials operate and how to apply for admission into clinical trials. Some of this information is also in Spanish.

Learn About Treatment

This page contains links to the HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service (see separate entry).

✧ **AIDS Education Global Information System (AEGIS)**

<http://www.aegis.org>

AEGIS is a nonprofit charitable and educational corporation. The AEGIS Web site is managed by the Sisters of St. Elizabeth of Hungary in San Juan Capistrano, California. Its purpose is to encourage understanding and knowledge that will lead to better care, prevention, and a cure for HIV/AIDS. This, probably the largest, HIV/AIDS Web site is updated on a regular basis. A wealth and wide variety of information ranging from legal issues to reference materials on HIV/AIDS is available. This is one of the larger HIV/AIDS Web sites, containing information on many topics. The emphasis is on inclusion of all HIV/AIDS resources, including older items, rather than selectively reviewing a smaller number of current items. Funding comes from unrestricted grants from pharmaceutical companies, the National Library of Medicine, individual donations, and other private sources. Some information is also in Spanish. Although much of the information on this site is older, the news sources can be searched for the latest information.

The *HIV Daily Briefing* on the home page is a daily update of articles concerning HIV treatment. Articles are from the *CDC HIV, STD, TB Prevention News Update*. The content is also available in Spanish.

📁 **Key Topics** (*click on Key Topics in the Site Navigator to expand the list of links*)

Treatment

This section of the AEGIS Web site includes several sources of information on treatment. Major headings are “Meds,” “Web Casts,” “Health Care,” “Other Treatment Resources at AEGIS,” and “Elsewhere on the Internet.” A variety of topics are covered, including treatment strategy, combination therapy, taking pills on time, drugs and the liver, drug list, clinical trials, evaluating options and health care providers, reading laboratory results, understanding blood work, managing your doctor, treatment updates, viral load testing, alternative therapies, alternative medicine, protease inhibitors comparison, new medicines, treatment guidelines, and drugs not to be taken with protease inhibitors. Most of this information is a few years old.

Living with HIV

This section contains a variety of topics associated with living with HIV/AIDS. Links under “Daily Life” include [First Person](#) (a collection of stories and multimedia pieces), [HIV Treatment Side Effects](#), [HIV and Anemia: An Overlooked Danger](#), some items on adherence, and [Traveling with HIV](#). The remaining headings are the following.

- [Nutrition](#)
- [Supplements, Vitamins, Minerals, and Trace Elements](#)
- [Alternative Treatments](#)
- [Insurance Issues](#)
- [Discrimination](#)
- [Unapproved Substances](#)

📁 **News Services** (*click on News Services in the Site Navigator to expand the list of links*)

This portion of the AEGIS Web site offers a search feature for a news database covering the period 1983 to present. This feature is unique to the AEGIS site.

Today's HIV News

City Newspapers

News Services (HIV-specific) – This section includes a collection of past news articles. Selections are from the *CDC National Center for HIV/AIDS, STD and TB Prevention News Update* (called *Daily Update* here); *AF-AIDS News*; *AIDS Treatment News*; *AIDS Weekly Plus*; *CATIE News*; *FDA News*; *Howard Hughes Medical Institute HHMI News*; *NIAID News*; *Panos News*; and *UNAIDS*.

News (Mainstream)

Wire Services

📁 **Publications** (*click on Publications in the Site Navigator to expand the list of links*)

Links to several HIV/AIDS newsletters on the Internet.

✧ **AIDS Nutrition Services Alliances (ANSA)**

<http://www.aidsnutrition.org>

The AIDS Nutrition Service Alliance is a collaboration of nonprofit organizations that provide nutrition services for people living with HIV/AIDS. The mission of ANSA is to enhance the quality of life of people living with HIV/AIDS (PLWAs) by information sharing, technical assistance, education and advocacy, pooling resources, and collaboration. The home page contains links to over 30 fact sheets on topics related to nutrition and HIV treatment.

✧ AIDS Treatment Data Network

<http://www.aidsinfonyc.org/network>

The AIDS Treatment Data Network (commonly called the Network) is a national, not-for-profit, community-based organization sponsored by the Kaiser Family Foundation and several pharmaceutical companies. Treatment education and counseling services for men, women, and children with AIDS and HIV are supported by extensive, comprehensive, and up-to-date informational databases about AIDS treatments, research studies, services, and accessing care. Each link from the home page shows the date it was updated. Includes information in Spanish.

clinical trials

<http://www.aidsinfonyc.org/network/trials.html>

Information on currently enrolling trials of treatments for HIV and opportunistic infections mostly in New York, but you can call to see if the trial is nationwide or in your area; how to consider if you should join a clinical trial; and patient assistance programs for various HIV/AIDS drugs (updated 1/30/02). Some of the categories of trials have not been updated since 1999 (children, pregnant women, information gathering studies, and vaccines).

the access project

<http://www.aidsinfonyc.org/network/access>

The Access Project is an information clearinghouse for medications available for HIV/AIDS through Medicaid, AIDS Drug Assistance Programs (ADAPs), and national pharmaceutical industry patient assistance/expanded access programs. Includes a list of ADAP programs by state, the Medicaid HIV Policy Project, a Medicaid database, an extensive drug index that includes information on dosages and managing side effects, Patient Assistance Programs for those without insurance, Federal poverty guidelines, and the ADAP Monitoring Project.

simple facts sheets

<http://www.aidsinfonyc.org/network/sf.html>

One-page fact sheets on treatments, tests, and conditions, available in English and Spanish

Treatment Review

<http://www.aidsinfonyc.org/network/trs/trs.html>

The Network newsletters, *Treatment Review* (published about twice a year) and *Information Bulletin* (published about 4 times a year) cover new treatments, clinical trials, and more. These items are also available in Spanish.

ADAP Monitoring Project

<http://www.aidsinfonyc.org/network/adap>

The ADAP (AIDS Drug Assistance Program) Monitoring Project is a collaborative effort between the National Alliance of State and Territorial AIDS Directors and AIDS Treatment Data Network's Access Project, and is sponsored by the Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation. ADAPs provide HIV/AIDS medications to low income, uninsured, or underinsured individuals. The map of the 52 states and territories participating in the program links to lists of covered drugs, eligibility requirements, and contacts in each state or territory.

información en español

<http://www.aidsinfonyc.org/network/lared>

The Network's Spanish language pages. Includes all Simple Facts Sheets.

Forum Announcement

<http://www.aidsinfonyc.org/network/forum.html>

Includes summaries of monthly community HIV Treatment Forums that address emerging health care issues and a schedule of upcoming forums.

in the news

<http://www.aidsinfonyc.org/network/news.html>

Contains information and links on HIV/AIDS items in the news. As of February 12, 2002, the latest item on this site was dated November 6, 2001.

Glossary of Drugs

<http://www.aidsinfonyc.org/network/drugloss.html>

Brief descriptions of drugs for HIV and opportunistic infections

Glossary of Terms

<http://www.aidsinfonyc.org/network/phs.table.html>

Glossary of terms related to opportunistic infections and conditions

Alternative Treatments

<http://www.aidsinfonyc.org/network/altx.html>

Brief descriptions of and links to pages on alternative treatments

HCV Co-infection

<http://www.aidsinfonyc.org/network/hcv.html>

This page contains a link to [News and Links](#), on HCV co-infection topics.

✧ **AIDScience**

<http://www.aidscience.com>

AIDScience is an online information service from the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the world's largest general science organization. AIDScience provides scientists and researchers with current and accurate data on HIV prevention strategies and vaccine research. This Web site is funded by a grant from the National Institute of Mental Health.

Today's News Headlines (under "LITERATURE & NEWS")

<http://www.aidscience.com/Headlines2.asp>

This is a daily update of links to HIV/AIDS news headlines.

This Week's Journal headlines (under "LITERATURE & NEWS")

<http://www.aidscience.com/Jheadlines.asp>

This section features links to recent HIV/AIDS articles.

Global Projects (bottom of page)

<http://www.aidscience.com/Globalprojects.asp>

Contains lists of current and past vaccine trials and prevention projects.

✧ **aidsinfonyc.org**
<http://aidsinfonyc.org>

"aidsinfonyc.org" is a series of information pages for people living with HIV/AIDS. The information is provided by community-based organizations. The Web site is supported by grants from nonprofit organizations and by donations from private organizations. Most of the information on this site seems current, but check the dates on each item.

AIDS Treatment Data Network (see separate entry)
<http://www.aidsinfonyc.org/network>

This page links to drug and term glossaries, clinical trials, fact sheets, Spanish resources, the *Treatment Review* newsletter, and alternative treatments.

HIVPlus
<http://www.aidsinfonyc.org/hivplus>

This bimonthly magazine features articles on research and treatment issues. It premiered in September 1998. Contains an archive of previous issues. Latest issue on site is December-January 2001.

Treatment Action Group
<http://aidsinfonyc.org/tag>

The Treatment Action Group (TAG) is a nonprofit treatment advocacy group dedicated to promoting effective public and private HIV/AIDS research efforts. They also focus on the drug development process and health care delivery system. Includes archived policy papers and research reports on treatment and complications. *Tagline* is the group's monthly treatment magazine. Some resources are available in Spanish.

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ADAP Working Group
<http://aidsinfonyc.org/awg>

The ADAP Working Group is a coalition of HIV/AIDS community-based organizations, and biotechnology, pharmacy, and pharmaceutical research companies. This page contains a budget model of the cost of treatment for all those on ADAP. Their mission is to ensure adequate access to HIV/AIDS-related therapies through the AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), funded under Title II of the Ryan White CARE Act.

The Medicaid HIV Policy Project
<http://aidsinfonyc.org/medicaid.html>

The Medicaid HIV Policy Project features a database of Medicaid program information, with a focus on issues of concern to people living with HIV/AIDS. Contains links to many other sites with information about Medicaid. The project is an initiative of The AIDS Treatment Data Network's Access Project, supported by a grant from the Kaiser Family Foundation.

✧ AIDS MAP

<http://www.aidsmap.com>

The National AIDS Manual (NAM Publications), in collaboration with the British HIV Association and the International HIV/AIDS Alliance, produces this site. NAM is a community-based organization located in the United Kingdom supported by commercial and non-profit organizations. Its mission is to develop and disseminate independent, accurate, accessible, and up-to-date HIV treatment information. NAM publishes a monthly newsletter entitled *AIDS Treatment Update*. Information is produced in both book form and as searchable databases. The Web sites can soon be searched in six languages (English, Dutch, Spanish, French, Italian, and Portuguese). A medical advisory panel reviews the materials on the site.

News (*top right of page*)

Daily news update that originates in Britain, so it is not as “U.S.”-centric as news updates that originate in the U.S.

The Wheel - your personal pill planner (©2000)

<http://www.aidsmap.com/wheel/starthere.htm>

This is an interactive program that addresses issues that make it difficult for individuals to correctly take their anti-viral drugs. The program builds a personalized 24-hour clock showing how drugs can be successfully incorporated into a patient’s lifestyle. The wheel should not replace consultation with a doctor but raise issues for discussion. Also available in French. There is no indication when it was last updated.

AIDS Treatment Update

<http://www.aidsmap.com/publications/atu/latestATU.asp>

AIDS Treatment Update is a monthly magazine on treatment issues published by NAM Publications. Each issue appears on the Web one month after the print publication.

Information Booklets

<http://www.aidsmap.com/publications/infoseries/index.asp>

Links to booklets on viral load, nutrition, clinical trials, anti-HIV drugs, resistance, and a glossary

Treatment links under “Questions about treatment?”

Links to more than 50 fact sheets developed by NAM on topics such as when to start treatment, choosing a combination in anti-HIV therapy, overviews on drugs, side effects, practical strategies for adherence, emerging therapies in HIV infections, and how to find the drug you want.

✧ **AIDSmeds.com**
<http://www.aidsmeds.com>

The mission of AIDSmeds is to provide people living with HIV the necessary information they need to make informed treatment decisions. A physician experienced in the treatment of HIV/AIDS reviews the content of this site. The organization is HIV-positive owned and operated. Sponsored by pharmaceutical and retail companies.

LESSONS

<http://www.aidsmeds.com/lessons/StartHere1.htm>

An easy-to-read subject index of treatment lessons, including the following.

- [You and Your Doctor](#)
- [The Blood Tests You'll Need](#)
- [Two Things You Should Know Before Starting Treatment](#)
- [The Big Treatment Questions](#)
- [Dealing with Side Effects](#)
- [Opportunistic Infections](#)
- [Treatment Issues for Women & Children](#)
- [Living with HIV](#)

DRUGS

<http://www.aidsmeds.com/List.htm>

Links to [Currently Approved Drugs for HIV: A Comparative Chart](#), a quick-reference chart to allow patients to compare all the currently available anti-HIV drugs, including dosing, side effects, and dietary restrictions. Patients can also browse a list of drugs alphabetically, by class of drugs, or search the database for easy to read information on each drug.

CHECK MY MEDS

<http://www.aidsmeds.com/DrugsNewContent.asp>

An interactive database that allows patients to research potentially adverse drug and food interactions

GRAPH MY LABS

<http://www.aidsmeds.com/graphs>

Allows patients to track and graph their lab results

TREATMENT NEWS

<http://www.aidsmeds.com/news/TopStories.htm>

A list of recent treatment news stories

✧ AIDS.ORG

<http://aids.org>

AIDS.Org (formerly known as ImmUNET) is a nonprofit organization dedicated to distributing HIV/AIDS information over the Internet. AIDS.ORG includes the *AIDS Treatment News* archive, accredited Continuing Medical Education (CME) programs, Direct AIDS Alternative Information Resources (DAAIR), the AIDS BookStore with over 3,000 titles, independent AIDS book reviews, medical conference listings and abstracts, a resource directory, hotline phone numbers, and links to information on other Web sites. You can register to receive updates about the site via e-mail. Supported by various computer companies and HIV/AIDS organizations. Some resources are available in Spanish.

AIDS Treatment News

<http://www.aids.org/immunet/atn.nsf/homepage>

Link to the latest issue, or search by keyword, issue number, or date.

Daily HIV/AIDS News (under “News” heading)

<http://aids.org/news.html>

Links to CDC Prevention News (a link to the *CDC National Center for HIV/AIDS, STD and TB Prevention News Update*), *AIDS Treatment News* (see above), and the *Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA) HIV/AIDS Information Center Newslines* (which is basically a link to *CDC National Center for HIV/AIDS, STD and TB Prevention News Update* and hasn't been updated since February 2001 at this site).

Just the Facts

<http://aids.org/FactSheets>

This page links to the New Mexico AIDS InfoNet (see separate entry).

✧ The Alternative Medicine HomePage

<http://www.pitt.edu/~cbw/altm.html>

The Alternative Medicine Homepage is a jumpstation for sources of information on unconventional, unorthodox, unproven, alternative, complementary, innovative, and integrative therapies.

AIDS & HIV (top of page)

<http://www.pitt.edu/~cbw/hiv.html>

- [AIDS Manual: Alternative Therapies](#) – *HIV/AIDS Information: Putting the Pieces Together Workshop* manual, Allegheny University of the Health Sciences, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (last revised December 1997)
- [AIDS Quackery](#) – Sponsored by Healthcare Reality Check (science-based information on alternative and complementary medicine) from the Georgia Council Against Health Fraud, Inc.
- [AIDS Treatment News](#) – Internationally recognized bimonthly newsletter containing new therapeutic information, archive of past issues, an index, and database of articles
- [AEGIS](#) – Contains these links from the Aegis Web site: Alternative Treatments: Fact Sheet: HIV/AIDS and Alternative Therapies; Supplements, Vitamins, Minerals, and Trace Elements
- [Alternative Therapies](#) – A list of links and fact sheets from the New Mexico AIDS Infonet Web site

- [The Alternative Treatments Page](#) – Contains a review of the current literature on alternative therapies from the AIDS Treatment Data Network
 - [The Body: An AIDS and HIV Information Resource](#) – Contains these links from The Body's Web site: Complementary, Alternative and Holistic Therapies and The Mind-Body Connection
 - [Doc Misha's Chinese Medicine HIV Wellness Center](#) – A resource guide on Chinese medicine
 - [The Florida AIDS Health Fraud Task Force](#) – Educates against fraudulent activities associated with HIV/AIDS
 - [Hypnotherapy for Positive People: A Fact Sheet](#) – A detailed description of hypnotherapy and its benefits, compiled by the Stop and Think HIV Project; includes list of therapists
 - [United States Food and Drug Administration State AIDS Health Fraud Task Forces](#)
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✧ **amfAR (American Foundation for AIDS Research)**

<http://www.amfar.org>

The American Foundation for AIDS Research (amfAR) is a nonprofit organization dedicated to the support of HIV/AIDS research, AIDS prevention, treatment education, and the advocacy of sound AIDS-related public policy. The organization's mission is to prevent HIV infection and the disease and death associated with it, along with protecting the human rights of people with HIV/AIDS. Funding sources include contributions from individuals, foundations, and corporations.

Treatment Directory (see left sidebar)

<http://www.amfar.org/td>

amfAR's *HIV/AIDS Treatment Directory* is a continuously updated, searchable database of clinical results for approved and experimental treatments, and protocol information and locations of actively recruiting HIV/AIDS clinical trials. This respected resource includes feature articles, conference reports, and news and analysis on the latest developments in HIV/AIDS research and clinical practice. This is the searchable online version of the *amfAR Treatment Directory*. A printed copy can be ordered by calling ACTIS at (800) TRIALS-A. This is a comprehensive resource that is updated twice a year in print, and updated more frequently online. The directory is edited by medical doctors.

✧ **Bastyr University AIDS Research Center (BUARC)**

<http://www.bastyr.edu/research/buarc>

This research center was formed in 1994 with a grant from the National Institutes of Health's National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases and the National Center on Complementary and Alternative Medicine (NCCAM). The center was established to document the use of alternative medicine in HIV/AIDS treatment, to screen and evaluate alternative medicine therapies, and to offer support to the medical field in evaluation of alternative therapies.

Recommended Reading About AIDS

<http://www.bastyr.edu/research/buarc/bibliography.asp>

A selection of books, journal articles, journals, and newsletters relating to alternative medicine and the treatment of HIV/AIDS.

✧ The Body

<http://www.thebody.com>

The Body's mission is to use the Web to lower barriers between patients and clinicians, demystify HIV/AIDS and its treatment, improve patients' quality of life, and foster community through human connection. The Body is a service of Body Health Resources Corporation and is sponsored in part by several drug companies. The Board of Advisers reviews links. Most of the information on this site is updated frequently. Links are organized in a logical, coherent manner. This is one of the larger HIV/AIDS Web sites, containing information on many topics. The emphasis is on inclusion of all HIV/AIDS resources, including older items, rather than selectively reviewing a smaller number of current items. Users may want to click on [Comprehensive Site Map](#) to see the 250 topic areas.

Ask the Experts

<http://www.thebody.com/experts.shtml>

Personal questions are answered on a variety of topics by several doctors (or other experts, depending on the category) experienced in treating HIV/AIDS patients.

- [AIDS-Related Cancers](#)
- [Benefits, Insurance and Paying for Health Care](#)
- [Drug Resistance](#)
- [Fatigue and Anemia](#)
- [General Treatment Strategies \(also in Spanish\)](#)
- [Hepatitis and HIV Co-Infection](#)
- [Management of Side Effects of HIV Treatment](#)
- [Mental Health and HIV](#)
- [Mixed-HIV-Status Couples](#)
- [Opportunistic Infections](#)
- [Oral Health and HIV](#)
- [Safe Sex, HIV Prevention and Transmission](#)
- [Simplifying Treatment Schedules](#)
- [Spiritual Support](#)
- [Tratamientos](#)
- [Understanding Your Labs](#)
- [Wasting, Diet, Nutrition and Exercise](#)
- [Women and HIV](#)
- [Workplace Issues](#)

Treatment

<http://www.thebody.com/treatment.html>

Contains an extensive list of links on the following topics.

- [On Learning You're HIV Positive](#) – Articles on preventing exposure to opportunistic infections, first steps to treatment, choosing a doctor, and a list of hospitals
- [Viral Load Testing](#)
- [Treatment Strategies](#) – Treatment guidelines, treatment news, adherence to regimens, drug interactions, drug resistance, changing/stopping treatment, and regimens when medications fail
- [Antiviral Medications](#)
- [Women-Specific Treatment Issues](#)
- [Treatment Issues for Pregnancy and Newborns](#)
- [Pediatric Treatment Issues](#)
- [Side Effects, Opportunistic Infections, and Co-infections](#) – An extensive list, arranged by condition
- [Research and Experimental Drugs](#) – An extensive list, includes clinical trials, vaccines, and FDA approved drugs
- [Complementary, Alternative, and Holistic Therapies](#) – Includes yoga, nutrition, Chinese medicine, and frauds
- [Treatment Periodicals](#) – A list of various newsletters
- [Medical Dictionaries and Databases](#)

Quality of Life

<http://www.thebody.com/quality.html>

- [Alternative, Complementary, and Holistic Therapies](#)
- [Diet and Nutrition](#) – Food safety, vitamins, wasting
- [Fatigue and Anemia](#)
- [Depression, Anxiety, and Mental Health](#) – Coping with AIDS, stress, psychoactive drugs, relationships and sexuality, chemical dependency, death, and mourning
- [Financial Issues](#) – Health, life, and disability insurance; selling your life insurance, drug payment assistance government assistance; Social Security; and the economics of AIDS care
- [Workplace Issues](#) – Returning to and remaining at work

✧ **Canadian HIV Trials Network (CTN)**

<http://www.hivnet.ubc.ca/ctn.html>

The Canadian HIV Trials Network is a nonprofit clinical trials research organization committed to developing treatments, vaccines, and a cure for HIV/AIDS. The CTN is federally funded by Health Canada and jointly sponsored by the University of British Columbia and St. Paul's Hospital in Vancouver. Information is available in English and French.

Clinical Trials

<http://www.hivnet.ubc.ca/List1Frame.html>

- [Enrolling CTN Trials](#) – Canadian clinical AIDS studies
- [Other Canadian Trials](#)
- [Registries of International HIV Trials](#)
- [CTN Trial Results](#) – Summaries of HIV/AIDS studies

Our Publications

<http://www.hivnet.ubc.ca/PubsFrame.html>

Publications about Canadian clinical trials.

Other Resources

<http://www.hivnet.ubc.ca/OtherFrame.html>

A subject list of Web sites related to HIV/AIDS. Canadian sites are marked.

- [Research/Academic](#)
- [Information Providers](#)
- [Newsletters & Journals](#)
- [Reference Sites](#)

✧ **Center for Mental Health Research on AIDS (CMHRA)**

<http://www.nimh.nih.gov/oa>

Since 1983, the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) CMHRA has supported research activities related to the primary and secondary prevention of AIDS and the neurobehavioral sequelae that develop as a result of HIV infection.

News and Publications

<http://www.nimh.nih.gov/oa/news.htm>

Includes articles on HIV in the brain, preventing and living with HIV, and HIV/AIDS among the severely mentally ill.

✧ Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Divisions of HIV/AIDS Prevention (DHAP)

<http://www.cdc.gov/hiv/dhap.htm>

This is the Web site for CDC's National Center for HIV, STD and TB Prevention, Divisions of HIV/AIDS Prevention. It contains links to statistical, prevention, and treatment information on HIV/AIDS. You can subscribe to receive e-mail notification when the site is updated. Many items are also available in Spanish.

Treatment (under "Main Topics")

<http://www.cdc.gov/hiv/treatment.htm>

This page includes links to the U.S. Public Health Service (PHS) treatment guidelines and other treatment information from CDC and the PHS.

- [Current Treatment Guidelines](#) – The most current PHS guidelines for HIV/AIDS treatment
- [HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service \(ATIS\)](#) (see separate entry)
- [Patients and Caretakers](#)
 - [Caring for Someone with AIDS at Home](#) – This is a publication produced by the CDC and the American Red Cross.
 - [CDC HIV/STD/TB Prevention News](#) – This is the *CDC National Center for HIV/AIDS, STD and TB Prevention News Update*, an informative daily update of HIV/AIDS information, including treatment. Compiled from media reports, Center for Disease Control's *Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR)*, fact sheets, and press releases. Updates are available daily by e-mail.
 - [Clinical trials](#) – Links to the AIDS Clinical Trials Information Service and the HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service (see separate entries).
 - [How to Find Reliable HIV/AIDS Treatment Information on the Internet](#) (see separate entry) – This is the Web site for this publication that you are reading this very instant. This publication is updated on the Web once or twice a year.

Postexposure Prophylaxis

- [Updated U.S. Public Health Service Guidelines for the Management of Occupational Exposures to HBV, HCV, and HIV and Recommendations for Postexposure Prophylaxis](#)
- [HIV Occupational Exposure and Management](#) – Fact sheets and publications from the CDC Division of Healthcare Quality Promotion
- [Final Report – HIV Postexposure Prophylaxis Registry: Registry of Health-Care Workers Receiving Postexposure Prophylaxis After Occupational Exposure to Human Immunodeficiency Virus – 1999](#) report on the results of health care workers exposed to HIV who underwent prophylaxis treatment
- [Antiretroviral Therapy for Potential Nonoccupational Exposures to HIV](#)
- [National Nonoccupational HIV Postexposure Prophylaxis Registry](#) – Clinicians can enter data about patients who have received prophylaxis treatment. Sponsored by CDC and John Snow, Inc.

✧ **CenterWatch Clinical Trials Listing Service**

<http://www.centerwatch.com>

CenterWatch is a commercial publishing company focusing on the clinical trials industry. The CenterWatch site provides information to patients and their advocates about ongoing clinical trials seeking study volunteers. Over 41,000 clinical trials are listed on the site. Clinical trial resources are available for patients as well as research professionals. The site offers a notification service for new clinical trials and drugs approved by the FDA, and a trial matching service in collaboration with thehealthexchange.org. Detailed profiles of more than 600 clinical research centers are listed. CenterWatch is a division of the Medical Economics Company.

✧ **ClinicalTrials.gov**

<http://clinicaltrials.gov>

ClinicalTrials.gov is designed to provide patients, family members, health care professionals, and members of the public easy access to information on clinical trials for a wide range of diseases and conditions. The National Library of Medicine (NLM), an office of the U.S. National Institutes of Health (NIH), has developed this site in close and ongoing collaboration with all NIH Institutes and the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). This site currently contains approximately 5,500 clinical studies sponsored primarily by the NIH. Additional studies from other federal agencies and the pharmaceutical industry are anticipated during 2002, and will be included on this site. Clinical trials can be searched by disease, location, treatment, and sponsor. As new features and designs are developed, they will be incorporated into *ClinicalTrials.gov*.

Understanding Clinical Trials – Links to frequently asked questions and answers regarding clinical trials

MEDLINEplus (see separate entry) – U.S. NLM consumer/patient healthcare information on all health topics, including HIV/AIDS; links are peer-reviewed for quality

NIH Health Information – Links to health information and research supported by NIH

healthfinder® – Links to consumer health and human services information

✧ **Community AIDS Treatment Information Exchange (CATIE)**

<http://www.catie.ca/network.html>

The Community AIDS Treatment Information Exchange (CATIE) is a Canadian, community-based, non-profit organization committed to improving the health and quality of life of all people living with HIV/AIDS. It is sometimes referred to as the Canadian AIDS Treatment Information Exchange. Some of the information on this site is provided in French.

Research and News

<http://www.catie.ca/e/resnews>

CATIE-News

<http://www.catie.ca/aidsinfo.nsf/news>

Brief HIV/AIDS treatment news bulletins, available by e-mail or on the Web site, available in English and French. As of February 2002, items on the Web ranged from November 2001 to February 2002.

Treatment Update

<http://www.catie.ca/tu.nsf>

Treatment Update is CATIE's treatment digest on developments in HIV/AIDS Research and treatment. It is published 10 times a year. As of February 2002, the issues available on the Web were Spring 2001 up to January 2002.

Innovations

<http://www.catie.ca/innovations.nsf>

Innovations is a current awareness service for physicians. It consists of journal article citations and abstracts of the medical literature from the National Library of Medicine's MEDLINE/PubMed database.

JournalScan

<http://www.catie.ca/journalscan.nsf>

JournalScan is a monthly listing of abstracts from key journal articles recently published in the medical literature. CATIE's treatment team selects the articles and provides this list to highlight new and intriguing findings in AIDS research. The list includes commentary written by CATIE Science and Medical Editor Sean Hosein.

Clinical Trials

<http://www.catie.ca/trials.nsf>

CATIE, in collaboration with the Canadian HIV Trials Network, lists clinical trials enrolling in Canada.

Publications

<http://www.catie.ca/e/pubs>

Fact Sheets

<http://www.catie.ca/facts.nsf>

Fact sheets on symptoms, side effects, major infections, HIV drugs, etc.

Supplement Sheets

<http://www.catie.ca/supple-e.nsf>

Fact sheets on supplements for persons with HIV

Plain and Simple Fact Sheets

<http://www.catie.ca/simple.nsf>

Easy-to-read fact sheets on treatment

Inuit Fact Sheets

<http://www.catie.ca/simple.nsf/IE>

Fact sheets for Inuit community members

HIV and Nutrition by Chester Myers

<http://www.catie.ca/myers.nsf>

The information in these documents on HIV and nutrition is older, as they were written between 1995 and 1997.

The Positive Side

<http://www.catie.ca/positive.nsf>

CATIE newsletter on holistic health for persons with HIV.

Nutrition for People Living with HIV and AIDS

<http://www.catie.ca/ng.nsf>

Complementary Therapies for People Living with HIV and AIDS

http://www.catie.ca/comp_e.nsf

Herbal Therapies for People Living with HIV and AIDS

http://www.catie.ca/herb_e.nsf

✧ **Direct Access Alternative Information Resources (DAAIR)**

<http://www.daair.org>

DAAIR is a members-only, not-for-profit buyers club formed to promote self-empowered healing to help manage HIV disease and other chronic illnesses through the use of scientifically researched nutrients, other natural therapies, and mind/spirit practices. DAAIR also manufactures and sells complementary treatments. This Web site can serve as an information resource on supplements, nutrition, and alternative/complementary therapies, but check with your health care professional before making any medical decisions.

HIV Treatment Info Pages

- [Monitoring/Tracking forms](#)

These forms might be useful to track your medications and lab results.

- [Daily Protocol Form](#)
- [Lab Flow Sheet](#)
- [Symptom Resolution Form](#)
- [T Cell Graph](#)
- [T Cell Graph Text](#)

✧ **DIRLINE®**

<http://dirline.nlm.nih.gov>

DIRLINE (Directory of Information Resources Online) is a free online database created by the Specialized Information Services Division of the National Library of Medicine (NLM). It contains location and descriptive information about a wide variety of health information organizations, including publications, holdings, and services provided that may not be readily available in other bibliographic databases. DIRLINE contains approximately 10,000 records and focuses primarily on health and biomedicine, although it also provides limited coverage of some other special interests. These information resources fall into many categories, including federal, state, and local government agencies; information and referral centers; professional societies; self-help groups and voluntary associations; academic and research institutions and their programs; information systems; and research facilities. Topics include HIV/AIDS (about 1,000 records), maternal and child health, most diseases and conditions including genetic and other rare diseases, health services research, and technology assessment.

✧ **Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation**

<http://www.pedaids.org>

The Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation is a nonprofit organization. Its goals are to find therapies to prevent transmission from an infected mother to her newborn, to prolong and improve the lives of children with HIV, and to eliminate HIV in infected children.

✧ **Food and Drug Administration (FDA) HIV and AIDS Activities**

<http://www.fda.gov/oashi/aids/hiv.html>

The FDA's HIV/AIDS Program in the Office of Special Health Issues works with outside individuals and advocacy groups on issues related to HIV/AIDS, informs the HIV-affected community of activities and policies at FDA related to HIV/AIDS, represents patient and community views and concerns to the agency, serves as a resource for HIV/AIDS-related information, explains the regulatory processes affecting development and approval of new therapies, represents FDA at a range of public and government meetings related to serious and life-threatening illnesses, and assists in development of federal government policies and regulations related to HIV/AIDS.

WHAT'S NEW

<http://www.fda.gov/oashi/aids/new.html>

Contains items that have been recently added to various places on this Web site.

Milestones

<http://www.fda.gov/oashi/aids/miles.html>

Includes information on FDA approval of HIV/AIDS drugs and tests.

Testing Information

<http://www.fda.gov/oashi/aids/test.html>

Contains items on viral load tests.

News Releases

<http://www.fda.gov/oashi/aids/news.html>

FDA news releases and talk papers on various topics, including HIV/AIDS drugs, listed by calendar year.

HIV/AIDS Therapies

<http://www.fda.gov/oashi/aids/status.html>

Information on approved drugs and therapies for HIV/AIDS.

- **MedWatch**

<http://www.fda.gov/medwatch>

A voluntary program for health care professionals and consumers to report possible adverse reactions to drugs.

Clinical Trials and Product Development

<http://www.fda.gov/oashi/aids/clinical.html>

Information on FDA's Fast Track Drug Development Programs, Expanded Access and Expedited Approval of New Therapies Related to HIV/AIDS, Enrollment of Women in HIV Clinical Trials, and other reports and programs having to do with clinical trials and drug development.

FDA/State AIDS Health Fraud Task Forces, Evaluating Medical Therapies

<http://www.fda.gov/oashi/aids/eval.html>

The FDA sponsors a network of AIDS Health Fraud Task Forces throughout the United States. The network has developed a proactive approach to combat fraudulent product/treatment promotions affecting people with HIV/AIDS and their partners, family, and friends. The network strives to promote awareness and prevent fraud through education that empowers individuals. The Task Forces have developed hotlines, workshops, conferences, and advocacy sharing as an alert mechanism to new fraudulent product promotion. Media has been used to broaden awareness in the diverse communities served. Members of the Task Force Network include persons living with HIV/AIDS, community-based organizations, treatment advocates, health care practitioners, educators, federal and state government officials, and local health care departments. This page includes links to FDA-sponsored AIDS health fraud task forces Web pages, information on dietary supplements, and articles including "How to Spot Health Fraud." From this page, you can also link to the following.

- **Buying Medical Products Online**

<http://www.fda.gov/oc/buyonline>

This FDA Web site contains tips and warnings for consumers. Consumers who suspect that a site is illegal can report it to the FDA.

- **The Special Nutritionals Adverse Event Monitoring System**

<http://vm.cfsan.fda.gov/~dms/aems.html>

A program for consumers to voluntarily report adverse events (illness or injury) associated with use of special nutritional products: dietary supplements, infant formulas, and medical foods. The database of reports may also be searched at this site.

HIV/AIDS Articles and Brochures

<http://www.fda.gov/oashi/aids/art.html>

Includes some articles on treatment; only a few items are current.

✧ **Food and Nutrition Information Center – AIDS/HIV**

<http://www.nal.usda.gov/fnic/etext/000062.html#aids>

Contains links to information about nutrition and HIV. Compiled by the Food and Nutrition Information Center at the National Agricultural Library of the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

✧ **Gay Men’s Health Crisis (GMHC)**

<http://www.gmhc.org>

GMHC is the oldest and largest not-for-profit AIDS organization in the U.S. GMHC offers hands-on support services to men, women, and children with AIDS and their families in New York City annually, as well as education and advocacy nationwide. Some information is available in Spanish.

LIVING WITH HIV

<http://www.gmhc.org/living/living.html>

- [Treatment](#)
 - [Government Insurance & Benefits](#)
 - [Emotional Support](#)
 - [Financial Support](#)
 - [Immune Basics](#)
 - [Monitoring Your Immune System](#)
 - [AIDS-Defining Illnesses](#)
 - [Fact Sheets](#) (also in Spanish)
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✧ **Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)
HIV/AIDS Bureau (HAB)**

<http://hab.hrsa.gov>

This is the Web site of HRSA’s HIV/AIDS Bureau. One of four bureaus of HRSA, it is the largest single source (except for the Medicaid program) of federal funding for HIV/AIDS care for low-income, uninsured, and underinsured individuals.

Education and Training

<http://hab.hrsa.gov/educating.html>

Providers of HIV/AIDS care supported under the Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resources Emergency (CARE) Act programs are located in community-based organizations and programs throughout the United States, ranging from hospitals, community and migrant health centers, public health clinics, AIDS service

organizations, and other nonprofit organizations. One of the goals of the bureau is to make available to these providers up-to-date information on clinical, pharmaceutical, and support and system information through the AIDS Education and Training Centers (AETC) Program.

- National Minority AETC – Headquartered at Howard University in Washington D.C. with additional sites at Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) in order to increase the number of minority providers who are educated to treat minority patients with HIV/AIDS.
- National Resource AETC – Serves as a central resource for the education of providers of HIV/AIDS care nationwide.
- National Evaluation AETC – Responsible for program evaluation activities, including assessing the effectiveness of the AETC’s education, training, and consultation activities.
- National HIV/AIDS Clinicians’ Consultation Center (see separate entry) – Originates from the University of California, San Francisco at San Francisco General Hospital; serves as an AETC clinical resource for health care providers; and provides background and contact information for their Warmline telephone consultation service (for clinicians only) and for PEpline, a hotline for post-exposure prophylaxis.
- AETC Fact Sheet
- AETC Training Centers – Contains a list of all U.S. states and territories linked to the AETC responsible for that state.
- Targeted Provider Education Demonstration (TPED) Fact Sheet – A grant program to facilitate HIV/AIDS education and training for health and support service providers working in racial and ethnic minority communities that are highly impacted by HIV/AIDS.
- TPED Contact List – Contains a list of TPED contacts for each region.

A Guide to the Clinical Care of Women with HIV

<http://www.hab.hrsa.gov/publications/womencare.htm>

This comprehensive manual addresses the primary care needs unique to women living with HIV/AIDS. This edition is dated 2001. The table of contents contains links to each section of the manual.

- Introduction
- Epidemiology and Natural History of HIV Infection in Women
- Approach to the Patient
- Prevention of HIV
- Primary Medical Care
- Adherence to HIV Therapies
- Gynecologic Problems
- Color Plates - Pictures of gynecologic and oral opportunistic infections
- HIV and Reproduction
- Psychosocial and Cultural Considerations
- Psychiatric Issues
- Substance Abuse
- Adolescents

- [Palliative Care and End-of-Life Care](#)
- [Occupational Exposure](#)
- [Pharmacologic Considerations in HIV-infected Pregnant Patients](#)
- [Resources](#)
- [Index](#)

Getting HIV/AIDS Care, Prescription Drugs and Other Information

<http://hab.hrsa.gov/getting.html>

People with HIV disease, their friends, and families often ask how to get care that is provided under the CARE Act. They want to know about the kinds of care available, how to qualify, who the providers of that care are, and where they are. At this site, HRSA tries to answer some of those questions.

- [Providers of Care: Who & Where](#) – Describes how the various CARE Act programs work and links you to either listings of grantees who can provide more specific information, or lists the CARE Act grantee who is directly responsible for providing care in an area.
- [HIV-Related Treatment Guidelines](#) – Links to PHS treatment guidelines.
- [AIDS Drug Assistance Programs \(ADAP\)](#) – Contains information about the Ryan White CARE Act ADAP and directs you to the State ADAP contacts. ADAPs provide medications to low-income individuals with HIV disease who have limited or no coverage from private insurance or Medicaid—in all 50 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and Guam.

✧ **HIV InfoWeb**

<http://www.infoweb.org>

HIV InfoWeb is a nonprofit, online library service containing HIV- and AIDS-related information. Online services are maintained by AEGIS. HIV InfoWeb was taken offline for a period of time in 2001 because of lack of funding. **Although the site is online again, many of the pages have not been updated.** This site is still a good resource, but keep in mind you need to search elsewhere for more current information. This site contains a search function to search all the resources on the site.

Clinical Trials

<http://www.infoweb.org/top/trials/trials.html>

Contains an extensive list of HIV/AIDS clinical trials databases. No one database contains all the North American trials, so it is recommended to search all of the databases.

E-mail Lists

<http://www.infoweb.org/top/elists/elists.html>

Contains an extensive list of HIV/AIDS e-mail lists, including many that discuss treatment issues.

Publications

<http://www.infoweb.org/top/publications/subscriptions.html>

Contains a list of print publications and newsletters on HIV/AIDS; many of them concern treatment issues and/or are available free-of-charge on the Internet.

Travel Related

<http://www.infoweb.org/top/travel/travel.html>

Links to sites with information on traveling with HIV, including listings of medical clinics.

Agencies N.E. and U.S.

<http://www.infoweb.org/top/agencies/agencies.html>

List of links to directories of AIDS Services organizations in New England and the United States.

Food/Water Supplements

<http://www.infoweb.org/top/nutrition/nutrition.html>

Links to HIV/AIDS nutrition information.

Treatment Related

<http://www.infoweb.org/treatment/treatment.html>

- [About the Massachusetts HIV Drug Assistance Program \(ADAP\)](#)
- [Clinical Trials in Massachusetts, the US, and Canada](#)
- [Adherence to HAART Models](#)
- [Drug Interactions](#)
- [Drug Treatments](#)
- [Improving Your Doctor Patient Relationship - A Workbook](#)
- [Medication Guides](#)
- [Post-Exposure Prophylaxis](#)
- [Post-Exposure Registry](#)
- [Resistance to HIV and AIDS Medications](#)
- [Studies to Uncover How We're Doing in the Fight Against AIDS](#)

How to Find HIV and AIDS Information on the Internet

http://www.infoweb.org/library/access/find_aids_info/index.htm

(On the home page, click on [Access Issues](#), then [How to Find AIDS Information on the Internet.](#))

An excellent, comprehensive slide show developed by John La Bella, although it hasn't been updated since March of 2000.

✧ **HIV InSite**

<http://hivinsite.ucsf.edu>

HIV InSite is a project of the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF). Within UCSF, the project is a collaboration among the San Francisco Veterans Affairs Medical Center, the Positive Health Program at San Francisco General Hospital, and the Center for AIDS Prevention Studies of UCSF's AIDS Research Institute. The home page of this site contains recent news items. The editorial process at this site is independent of financial sponsors, which include several pharmaceutical companies. This is an information-dense site created primarily for clinicians.

Knowledge Base (button at top of page)

A comprehensive, online textbook of HIV disease from UCSF and San Francisco General Hospital.

To see charts from the February 4, 2002 *Guidelines for the Use of Antiretroviral Agents in HIV-Infected Adults and Adolescents* from the Department of Health and Human Services, click on [Diagnosis and Clinical Management of HIV](#), then [Overview of Antiretroviral Drugs](#) (under "Antiretroviral Therapy"), then [Adult and Adolescent](#).

- [Table 17: Drugs That Should Not Be Used With PI/NNRTI Antiretrovirals](#)
- [Table 18: Drugs Interactions Between Antiretrovirals and Other Drugs](#)
- [Table 19: Drug Interactions Involving Protease Inhibitors and NNRTIs: Effect of Drug on Levels \(AUCs\) / Dose](#)
- [Table 20: HIV-Related Drugs with Overlapping Toxicities](#)

Medical (*button at top of page*)

Many HIV/AIDS topics that link to news, articles, opinion pieces, documents, abstracts, bibliographies, contacts, and other resources.

- [Antiretroviral Treatment Database](#) – Antiretroviral drug doses, structures, formulations, adverse effects, and interactions; includes links to charts and tables of drugs.
- [Treatment Guidelines](#) – Links to treatment guidelines developed by panels of clinicians and researchers brought together by organizations including various U.S. government agencies, the American Medical Association, and the International AIDS Society-USA. Only the most current version of each set of guidelines is posted. Older, archived versions of PHS guidelines are on the ATIS Web site (see separate entry).
- [Treatment Access](#) – Programs that help people with HIV pay for medications, including information about patient assistance and compassionate use programs, Medicaid, and the AIDS Drug Assistance Program; contact information for Buyer’s Clubs and Treatment Advocacy Groups; and links for international programs.
- [Patient Fact Sheets](#) – Links to fact sheets at other HIV/AIDS Web sites, including AIDS Treatment Data Network (ATDN), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Community Aids Treatment Information Exchange (CATIE), and the National Aids Treatment Information Project (NATIP); some fact sheets are in Spanish and French.
- [Conference Abstracts](#) – Links to summaries of major conferences with HIV-related medical content produced by other Web sites.
- [Ask InSite Questions](#) – Answers to questions sent to the site. Last question answered was dated June 2000.
- [For Clinicians](#) – Links to medical HIV/AIDS newsletters for clinicians.
- [General Audience](#) – Links to newsletters intended primarily for people with HIV and their advocates. Some publications are available in French, Italian, Portuguese, or Spanish. HIV InSite also lists peer-reviewed journals with important HIV-related content and treatment newsletters for clinicians as well as prevention newsletters.
- [Trials Search Database](#)
- [Clinical Research Groups](#) – Contains a list of many HIV/AIDS clinical trials databases and lists of multi-center clinical research groups, research centers, and clinical research policies.
- [IAS-USA CME](#) – Contains “Cases on the Web,” a series of online CME activities sponsored by the International AIDS Society-USA (IAS-USA) in collaboration with HIV InSite.
- [Medicine & Science](#) (under “LINKS”) – Contains a long list of annotated Web links, neatly arranged in the following categories.
 - [Adherence & Compliance](#)
 - [Alternative & Complementary Medicine](#)
 - [Blood Safety](#)
 - [Clinical Research & Trials](#)
 - [Conferences](#)
 - [Continuing Medical Education \(CME\)](#)

- [Dentistry and Oral Health](#)
 - [Drug Information](#)
 - [End of Life](#)
 - [Glossaries of HIV/AIDS Terms](#)
 - [Hemophilia](#)
 - [Hepatitis](#)
 - [Immunology & Immune-Based Therapies](#)
 - [Infections](#)
 - [Journals](#)
 - [Laboratory Research](#)
 - [Malignancies](#)
 - [Medical Literature Databases](#)
 - [Medical Marijuana](#)
 - [Medical Newsletters for Clinicians](#)
 - [Medical Newsletters for a General Audience](#)
 - [Medical Provider Associations & Lists](#)
 - [Medical References](#)
 - [Mental Health](#)
 - [Nutrition](#)
 - [Patient Fact Sheets](#)
 - [Pharmaceutical & Biotechnology Companies](#)
 - [Resistance & Resistance Testing](#)
 - [Sexually Transmitted Diseases](#)
 - [Symptoms & Syndromes](#)
 - [Travel Health](#)
 - [Treatment Advocacy](#)
 - [Tuberculosis](#)
 - [Vaccines](#)
- [Advice](#) – Links in three categories, including “Advice for People Testing Positive for HIV,” “Expert Advice” (includes expert forums), and “Hotlines.”

✧ HIV/AIDS Dietetic Practice Group (DPG)

<http://hivaidsdpg.org>

The HIV/AIDS Dietetic Practice Group is part of the American Dietetic Association. The group was founded in response to the overwhelming evidence that nutrition was an important factor in the treatment of HIV disease. The mission of HIV/AIDS DPG is to share information regarding the nutritional management of HIV, provide an avenue for national research projects, and advocate for nutrition intervention for all persons living with HIV. *Positive Communication* is the group’s peer-reviewed quarterly publication, but it is not posted to the Web site.

Public Policy – Links to information on medical nutrition therapy.

Books/Journals – Descriptions of books for purchase on nutrition and HIV/AIDS, and information on obtaining a print subscription to their newsletter, *Positive Communication*.

Links – Links to nutrition, exercise, medical care, and clinical trials.

✧ HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service (ATIS)

<http://hivatis.org>

ATIS is a project of the Department of Health and Human Services, and is managed by the National Library of Medicine. It is co-sponsored by the National Institutes of Health; the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services; the Health Resources and Services Administration; and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). ATIS provides the most recent information about federally approved treatment guidelines for HIV and AIDS. Most of the information on this site is from the U.S. Public Health Service (PHS) or CDC. One can request e-mail notification of new features and publications on the Web site, including treatment guidelines. Much of the information on this site is also in Spanish.

WHAT'S NEW?

<http://hivatis.org/atisnew.html>

Links to government agency press releases, fact sheets, and the ATIS and ACTIS publications list. Many documents are available in English and Spanish.

TREATMENT GUIDELINES

<http://hivatis.org/trtgdlns.html>

Links to current U.S. PHS guidelines: Adult and Adolescent, Pediatric, Perinatal, Health-Care Worker Exposure, Nonoccupational Exposure, Opportunistic Infections, and Tuberculosis. Older guidelines are also archived on this site. Click on Send Me Updates! to receive notification of updates to the Web site, including treatment guidelines.

TREATMENT INFORMATION

<http://hivatis.org/atisinfo.html>

Links to General Treatment information, Drug Treatment (protease inhibitors, approved drugs, viral load, counterfeit drug alerts, and more), HIV and Women (treatment information for women, including during pregnancy), and Other Resources (special topics, including HIV and hepatitis C co-infection, nutrition and food safety, and AIDS Clinical Trials Information Service/ATIS free publications in English and Spanish).

SPECIAL TOPICS

<http://hivatis.org/resoinfo.html>

- Topical Microbicides
- Lipodystrophy and Metabolic Complications
- Drug Interactions – This section is extensive and includes a link to the Project Inform (see separate entry) drug interaction chart, also available in Spanish.
- HIV and Hepatitis C Co-Infection
- Nutrition and Food Safety
- Neurologic Complications

Español – HIV/AIDS information and publications in Spanish.

✧ **HIVandHepatitis.com**
<http://www.hivandhepatitis.com>

The objective of HIVandHepatitis.com is to develop an online publication that provides accurate and timely treatment information to people living with HIV/AIDS, hepatitis B, hepatitis C, and co-infection. The staff consists of individuals who have years of combined experience in publishing, community education, and HIV treatment advocacy. The Medical Editor has a medical degree and is experienced in HIV/AIDS treatment, research, and education. This site is financially supported by grants from pharmaceutical companies and the majority of information is current. This site is dense with information, much of it written, and all of it reviewed, by medical doctors.

HIV and AIDS

http://www.hivandhepatitis.com/hiv_aids.html

This page contains current news and press releases on HIV and hepatitis, as well as links to the following.

- **News Stories**
http://www.hivandhepatitis.com/hiv_rec_new.html
Contains news stories arranged by topic for easy access. It looks like it takes about a month for the current news to be posted.
- **HIV Treatments**
http://www.hivandhepatitis.com/hiv_and_aids/hiv_treat.html
Contains detailed drug fact sheets, arranged by class of drugs (i.e., protease inhibitors, nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitors, and non nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitors). For each class of drugs, a comparison chart of dosage and side effects is provided, and a link to news stories.
- **HIV Vaccines**
http://www.hivandhepatitis.com/hiv_vacc.html
News reports and press releases
- **HIV/HBV Co-Infection**
http://www.hivandhepatitis.com/hiv_hbv_co_inf.html
News stories
- **HIV/HCV Co-Infection**
http://www.hivandhepatitis.com/hiv_hcv_co_inf.html
News stories
- **Health and Technology**
http://www.hivandhepatitis.com/hea_tech.html
News stories
- **Internet Conference Reports**
http://www.hivandhepatitis.com/int_conf_rpt.html
Features selected highlights from all major HIV/AIDS and viral hepatitis-related research conferences worldwide. Coordinated by the HIV and Hepatitis.com Medical Editor, with contributions from other researchers and clinicians (i.e., the reviews are written by medical professionals). Purpose is to provide rapid access to new scientific data. This site is kept current.

- Teleconferences
<http://www.hivandhepatitis.com/teleconf.html>

Information on “Meet-the-Experts,” a free and interactive telephone conference series on current HIV treatment developments.

- Tests
http://www.hivandhepatitis.com/hiv_tests.html

Links to an article on laboratory tests for monitoring HIV and news stories on viral load.

The Doctor is in

<http://www.hivandhepatitis.com/doctor/main.html>

Topics are posted and patients can submit questions that will be answered by medical experts after a period of time.

✧ **hivcme.com**

<http://www.hivcme.com>

“*hivcme.com*” is an online HIV continuing medical education (CME) library. This site provides health care professionals access to accredited HIV CME materials on up-to-date treatment issues. In addition, there is a section of the home page called “**What’s new at hivcme.com**” with news summaries on HIV treatment issues for clinicians. Links are provided to publications. The Healthcare Consortium, a nonprofit organization committed to improving the quality of medical care for HIV-infected individuals, provides support for this site.

Downloadable CME Materials

<http://www.hivcme.com/cmeframe.htm>

This section contains links to accredited CME programs in downloadable format, statistical slides on HIV developed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and HIV presentations developed by others that contain slide material. All materials are developed under the guidance of HIV medical experts.

HIV Today

<http://www.hivcme.com/newsframe.htm>

News stories for clinicians compiled daily by hivcme.com staff. Some of these items are a few weeks old.

Resources

<http://www.hivcme.com/resourcesframe.htm>

Contains links to professional training (CME) and patient education materials, a select list of medical and HIV organizations, and noted medical journals.

Clinician Notification Service

<http://www.hivcme.com/registerframe.htm>

Health professionals can sign up for e-mail clinical alerts, customized by specified interests in HIV care.

Pediatric and Adolescent HIV

<http://www.hivcme.com/adolframe.htm>

Education materials and news

Women and HIV

<http://www.hivcme.com/womenframe.htm>

Education materials and news

Immune Reconstruction

<http://www.hivcme.com/immuneframe.htm>

Education materials and news

Incarcerated Populations

<http://www.hivcme.com/incarceratedframe.htm>

News

General HIV

<http://www.hivcme.com/generalframe.htm>

Education materials and news

✧ **HIVDENT**

<http://www.hivdent.org>

HIVDENT is a not-for-profit coalition of health care professionals committed to assuring access to high quality oral health care services for adults, adolescents, and children living with HIV. HIVDENT disseminates treatment information and shares expertise in advocacy, development, training, integration, and evaluation of oral health services for the HIV-infected population. The Web site contains several sections on the oral manifestations of HIV (including a large picture gallery) and information on infection control, post-exposure protocols, pediatric/adolescent care, medications, funding, and other resources. Support is provided through non-restricted educational grants and support from several pharmaceutical companies and a network of health centers.

✧ **hivfitness.org**

<http://www.hivfitness.org>

The mission of hivfitness is to provide exercise and nutrition information to HIV-infected individuals and health care providers. The editor of this site is an Advanced Certified Personal Fitness Trainer and dietetic professional. Some information is available in Spanish. A menu on the left side of the page shows links organized into categories.

Under **HIV FITNESS ISSUES** are links to reports on HIV-related complications that benefit from exercise and improved nutrition.

Under **DIETARY CONSIDERATIONS** are links to articles on diet, nutrition, supplements, and water safety.

Under **CONNECTING WITH OTHERS**, links include the following.

HAVE A QUESTION?

<http://www.tbrewi.com/hivfitness/questions.htm>

NEWSLETTER

<http://www.tbrewi.com/hivfitness/newsletter.htm>

HANDOUTS

<http://www.tbrewi.com/hivfitness/handouts.htm>

Fact Sheets on HIV and fitness issues

BOOKS

<http://www.tbrewi.com/hivfitness/books.htm>

LINKS

<http://www.tbrewi.com/hivfitness/links.htm>

Under **APPENDIX** is a **GLOSSARY** of terms related to fitness and nutrition.

✧ **How to Find Reliable HIV/AIDS Treatment Information on the Internet**

<http://www.orau.gov/meo/manuals/treatment>

This online manual, available as PDF files, is for people living with HIV/AIDS and the health professionals who care for them. It includes descriptions of Web sites for the most accurate and up-to-date information about treatment and research, including clinical trials, HIV/AIDS drugs, treatment regimens, and medical literature.

✧ **International Association of Physicians in AIDS Care (IAPAC)**

<http://www.iapac.org>

The IAPAC Web site serves as a member resource and a public service for physicians and other healthcare professionals, nongovernmental and governmental agencies, communities of faith, and others throughout the world who care for and about the people infected and affected by the intersecting pandemics of life-threatening infectious diseases, poverty, and dehumanization. Much of the information on this site is not current; therefore, it is not recommended as a resource unless it is updated. The “What’s New” link is a good guide to current information on this Web site.

Recommended Antiretroviral Agents for Initial Treatment of Established HIV Infection in Adults and Adolescents

<http://www.iapac.org/guidelines/arvagents001.pdf>

NNRTI Comparison Chart

<http://www.iapac.org/NNRTIChart.pdf>

✧ International Bibliographic Information on Dietary Supplements (IBIDS)

<http://ods.od.nih.gov/databases/ibids.html>

The IBIDS database is a cooperative project of the Office of Dietary Supplements (ODS) at the National Institutes of Health (NIH), and the Food and Nutrition Information Center at the National Agricultural Library of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. IBIDS was launched specifically to assist health care providers, researchers, and the general public with locating scientific information on dietary supplements.

What Are Dietary Supplements?

<http://ods.od.nih.gov/whatare/whatare.html>

Full definition and explanation of dietary supplements; includes link to U.S. Food and Drug Administration Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition.

Conferences, Meetings, and Events

<http://ods.od.nih.gov/news/conferences/conferences.html>

Conference schedule for year 2001.

ODS Databases

<http://ods.od.nih.gov/databases/databases.html>

Links to the IBIDS database, a database of published international scientific literature on dietary supplements, including vitamins, minerals, and botanicals.

Publications

<http://ods.od.nih.gov/publications/publications.html>

Conferences, workshops, reports, and bibliographies.

Other Relevant Links

<http://ods.od.nih.gov/links/links.html>

A long list of links to information on HIV/AIDS and dietary supplements.

✧ Johns Hopkins AIDS Service

<http://www.hopkins-aids.edu>

This is the Web site of the faculty of Johns Hopkins University, Division of Infectious Diseases. The home page contains current news articles and a question/answer of the week.

Expert Q&A

<http://www.hopkins-aids.edu/ask.html>

This is the Web page of the question-and-answer forum. The user can ask questions as a clinician or as a patient. Questions are answered by medical doctors experienced in HIV/AIDS treatment and research. A forum also can be accessed in Portuguese.

Publications

<http://www.hopkins-aids.edu/publications/publications.html>

Contains links to *Medical Management of HIV Infection*, a clinical handbook of HIV/AIDS care that is updated every year; the *Hopkins HIV Report*, a newsletter for health care professionals published 6 times a year; and *Moore News Quarterly*, excerpts from Johns Hopkins' quarterly newsletter for HIV/AIDS patients.

Medical Education

<http://www.hopkins-aids.edu/educational/educational.html>

Contains links to a specialty test to test your knowledge as a clinician, descriptions of clinical HIV/AIDS cases at the Johns Hopkins Hospital, and an archive of conferences and special events.

Resources

<http://hopkins-aids.edu/resources/resources.html>

This page offers links to AIDS Conferences/Events, Clinical Trials, and Related Links.

Managed Care

<http://hopkins-aids.edu/manage/manage.html>

This page links to case studies on managed care, a Medicaid overview, a glossary of terms, and the Ryan White Care Act.

Guidelines

<http://www.hopkins-aids.edu/guidelines/guidelines.html>

Contains links to current DHHS treatment guidelines.

✧ ***Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA)*** **HIV/AIDS Resource Center**

<http://www.ama-assn.org/special/hiv>

The JAMA HIV/AIDS Resource Center is designed for physicians and other health professionals. The site is produced and maintained by JAMA editors and staff under the direction of an editorial review board of leading HIV/AIDS authorities. The primary selection criterion is the quality of the science.

Newsline

<http://www.ama-assn.org/special/hiv/newsline/newsline.htm>

In-depth articles and reports from sources such as CDC's *Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report* and *JAMA*, conference coverage (nothing added since September 2000), and a few background briefings on HIV/AIDS science from 2000 to 2001.

Treatment Guidelines

<http://www.ama-assn.org/special/hiv/treatmnt/treatmnt.htm>

A collection of published guidelines for HIV/AIDS. Editor's notes are included to indicate when guidelines may not reflect recent developments. Contains a link to "Information on other guidelines," which is a list of guidelines released by groups other than U.S. federal agencies such as DHHS and instructions on how to obtain the guidelines. The other guidelines are released by groups that include the American Academy of Neurology, the American Academy of Pediatrics, the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, the American College of Physicians, the American College of Surgeons, the American Dental Association, and the Canadian Medical Association.

Library

<http://www.ama-assn.org/special/hiv/library/library.htm>

Includes Latest List of *JAMA* articles from 1996-2002 on HIV/AIDS; Latest List of *Archives* specialty journal articles from 1996-2002; and abstracts and commentaries on major HIV/AIDS articles published in the journal literature.

Best of the Net

<http://www.ama-assn.org/special/hiv/bestonet/bestonet.htm>

These links are arranged by category and were last updated in November 2001. These Web sites were selected with the assistance of the *JAMA* editorial review and community advisory panels. This list is not meant to be comprehensive, but to highlight sites that *JAMA* reviewers consider useful, relevant, and important based on content, presentation, and functionality. Listing does not imply an endorsement by the reviewers, *JAMA*, or the AMA.

✧ **Medem Medical Library**

http://www.medem.com/MedLB/medlib_entry.cfm

Medem is an organization of professional medical societies. The Medical Library includes peer-reviewed (by physicians, probably, but not spelled out as such) patient education information from its partner societies, including the American Medical Association, the American Academy of Pediatrics, the American College of Allergy, Asthma & Immunology, and other sources. Under “Diseases and Conditions” on the home page, there is an HIV/AIDS link. A Complexity Indicator indicates the complexity of each item.

HIV/AIDS

- [Living With HIV](#)
- [Women and HIV Infection](#)
- [Opportunistic Infections in the HIV-Positive](#)
- [Occupational Exposure to HIV/AIDS](#)
- [Pediatric AIDS](#)
- [Treatment Options](#)
- [The Science of HIV/AIDS](#)
- [Future Issues in HIV/AIDS](#)
- [Medical News](#)
- [Medical Journals/Professional Resources](#)

✧ MEDLINE/PubMed®

<http://pubmed.gov>

PubMed is the National Library of Medicine's Web search interface that provides access to over 10 million journal article abstracts/citations in MEDLINE, PreMEDLINE, and other related databases with links to participating online journals. The online journal providers usually charge a fee to read the entire journal article, but viewing the abstracts is free through PubMed. PubMed is also the free Web interface to search AIDS journal article abstracts/citations. To limit your search to only items in the AIDS subset of MEDLINE, click on the word "Limits" under the search box. On the lower right of the screen, click on the arrow to the right of "Subsets" and select "AIDS." Click in the search box and type in your search terms.

A Spanish language tutorial for using PubMed, developed by the University of Florida Health Science Center Libraries, is available at <http://www.sap.org.ar/medline/tutorial>.

✧ MEDLINEplus®

<http://medlineplus.gov>

MEDLINEplus is the National Library of Medicine's (NLM's) Web site for consumer health information. NLM's experienced staff of information experts review hundreds of government and nongovernment publications, brochures, databases, and Web sites in order to link the public with the most reliable and authoritative information. MEDLINEplus is available on the World Wide Web from the NLM home page (<http://www.nlm.nih.gov>) or directly at MEDLINEplus (<http://medlineplus.gov>).

MEDLINEplus is not meant to be an exhaustive list of every health Web resource. It is a selective list of appropriate, authoritative health information sources. MEDLINEplus includes mostly U.S. resources. International sites may be included at a later date.

Health Topics

<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/healthtopics.html>

Information on conditions, diseases, and wellness plus a medical encyclopedia, organized alphabetically.

MEDLINEplus contains extensive information on four AIDS-related health topics. Current news, general overviews, alternative therapy, clinical trials, disease management, nutrition, research, specific conditions/aspects, treatment, and information in Spanish are provided for each topic.

- [AIDS \(under "A"\)](http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/aids.html)
<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/aids.html>
- [AIDS and Infections \(under "A;" also linked from AIDS page\)](http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/aidsandinfections.html)
<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/aidsandinfections.html>
- [AIDS and Pregnancy \(under "A;" also linked from AIDS page\)](http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/aidsandpregnancy.html)
<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/aidsandpregnancy.html>
- [AIDS—Living with AIDS \(under "A;" also linked from AIDS page\)](http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/aidslivingwithaids.html)
<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/aidslivingwithaids.html>
- [Kaposi's Sarcoma \(under "K;" also linked from AIDS page\)](http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/kaposissarcoma.html)
<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/kaposissarcoma.html>

Drug Information

<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/druginformation.html>

A list of drug resources with over 9,000 prescription and over-the-counter medications. Information provided by the United States Pharmacopeia Dispensing Information (USP DI) Advice for the Patient®

Dictionaries

<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/dictionaries.html>

Spellings and definitions of medical terms

Directories

<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/directories.html>

Locations and credentials of doctors, dentists, and hospitals

Other Resources

<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/otherresources.html>

Access to organizations, consumer health libraries, international sites, publications, MEDLINE, and more

❖ **Medscape® HIV/AIDS**

<http://www.medscape.com/hiv-aidshome>

Medscape offers health care providers online medical information and education tools concerning HIV/AIDS. The home page contains current HIV/AIDS news, recent conference coverage (that is actually recent), the latest additions to the Medscape HIV/AIDS Web site, many CMEs concerning HIV/AIDS, and news from Reuters Health and MedscapeWire. This is a commercial site, but it is included in this guide because it contains information of interest to clinicians and the conference summary information is current. Users must register (it is free) to access all of the information. The site is operated by Medscape, Inc. Links from the Medscape HIV/AIDS home page include the following.

Latest on Medscape HIV/AIDS (click on **more** for additional links)

<http://www.medscape.com/px/viewindex/more?Specialty=1&Bucket=latest>

A list of the latest additions to Medscape HIV/AIDS

Conference Coverage (click on **more** for additional links)

<http://www.medscape.com/conferencedirectory/hiv>

The conference coverage is extensive, recent, and written by medical professionals. CME can be obtained by reading some items and taking a post-test.

Today's HIV/AIDS News (click on **more** for complete links)

<http://www.medscape.com/px/viewindex/more?Specialty=1&Bucket=news>

HIV/AIDS news from Reuters Health and MedscapeWire—it would be nice if Medscape included dates on the article links

Focus On...

Links to disease and condition specific information collections, such as [Antiretrovirals: Dosing and Interactions](#); [Therapeutic Drug Monitoring in HIV Infection](#), and [Dyslipidemia and Fat Maldistribution Associated with Antiretroviral Therapy](#).

HIV/AIDS Clinical Calculator

Drug-Drug Interactions and Medication Daily Scheduler

<http://www.medscape.com/px/hivscheduler>

This interactive tool, last updated November 2000, can be used to check a regimen for drug-drug interactions and to generate a daily schedule for a regimen.

The following links are at the top of each Medscape page.

CME Center – Professional educational activities by specialty

Editor's Choice – Top content selected by Medscape editors

Conference Center – Findings from key medical meetings

Library – Journals, textbooks and reference tools

Discussions – Ask the Experts, Opinions and Discussion Boards

✧ **The National AIDS Treatment Advocacy Project (NATAP)**

<http://www.natap.org>

The National AIDS Treatment Advocacy Project is a nonprofit organization dedicated to educating the diverse communities affected by HIV on the latest HIV and hepatitis treatments and advocating on treatment and policy issues for people with HIV. NATAP posts summary reports of conferences and conducts free community forums, usually at the New York University (NYU) Medical Center, to bridge the gap between the very latest research and the community by bringing in speakers who are conducting cutting-edge research. Proceedings from these forums are also posted to the NATAP Web site.

Newsletters – Contains *NATAP Reports*, which provides HIV/AIDS treatment information and research from the NATAP NYU Forum and other conferences; appears to be published once or twice a year.

Conferences – Contains highlights of recent HIV/AIDS conferences.

Hepatitis – The NATAP Hepatitis page was created to raise awareness about the growing co-infection of people with HIV and hepatitis, and to provide basic education and more advanced scientific information. Many of these links are very recent.

Women & HIV – Recent news and articles.

Forums (not updated since 2000) – Summaries of forums that NATAP sponsors in New York at which doctors discuss treatment issues such as treatment, drug resistance, and co-infection (the forums seem to be held about twice a year).

Older Articles – These items are about 2-3 months old.

Radio Shows – Audio archives of the weekly radio show, “Living Well with HIV and Hepatitis.” Guests are usually doctors experienced in HIV/AIDS and hepatitis care.

✧ **The National AIDS Treatment Information Project (NATIP)**

<http://www.natip.org>

The National AIDS Treatment Information Project was established with funding from the Kaiser Family Foundation. Current funding comes from government agencies and several pharmaceutical companies. Its mission is to provide up-to-date and understandable clinical information for HIV-infected persons and their caregivers. NATIP distributes fact sheets in a variety of ways, including direct mailings to AIDS clinics and service organizations, posting on the Internet, and through an automated facsimile-on-demand system. To date, NATIP has developed over 60 topics, with many of them also available in Spanish. The fact sheets are divided into the four categories listed below.

- Clinical Manifestations (examples include fever, weight loss, anemia)
- Opportunistic Diseases (examples include PCP, toxoplasmosis, candidiasis)
- Therapeutics (examples include antiretroviral therapy, PCP prophylaxis, MAC prophylaxis, individual drugs)
- Miscellaneous (examples include CD4 count, viral load testing, health care maintenance)

✧ **National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine (NCCAM)**

<http://nccam.nih.gov>

The National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) conducts and supports basic and applied research and training and disseminates information on complementary and alternative medicine to practitioners and the public. The NCCAM does not serve as a referral agency for various alternative medical treatments or individual practitioners. The NCCAM facilitates and conducts biomedical research.

✧ **National HIV/AIDS Clinicians' Consultation Center (NCCC)** **[Formerly the Community Provider AIDS Training (CPAT) Web site]**

<http://www.ucsf.edu/hivcntr>

The NCCC is funded by the University of California, San Francisco (USCF) and the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA). It is an AIDS Education and Training Centers clinical resource for health care providers from the USCF at San Francisco General Hospital. NCCC includes the National HIV Telephone Consultation Service (Warmline) and the National Clinician's Post-Exposure Prophylaxis Hotline (PEPline). These national services continue as programs of the AIDS Education and Training Centers (ETC) of the HIV/AIDS Bureau of HRSA, with additional funding from CDC.

Services

<http://www.ucsf.edu/hivcntr/services.html>

- **NATIONAL HIV TELEPHONE CONSULTATION SERVICE**
<http://www.ucsf.edu/hivcntr/services.html#warmline>

Called "Warmline" because a real person answers each call, this consultation service offers physicians and other health care providers up-to-the-minute HIV clinical information and individualized expert case consultation across the broad range of clinical HIV/AIDS problems. The Warmline is free to

physicians, nurses, and other clinicians involved in HIV/AIDS care; it is staffed by physicians, clinical pharmacists, and nurse practitioners every Monday through Friday from 6:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Pacific Time). Voice mail is available 24 hours a day. The toll-free number is 1-800-933-3413.

- **PEpline**

<http://www.ucsf.edu/hivcntr/services.html#pepline>

The National Clinicians' Post-Exposure Prophylaxis Hotline (PEpline) offers treating clinicians up-to-the-minute advice on managing occupational exposures (i.e., needlesticks, splashes, etc.) to HIV, hepatitis, and other blood-borne pathogens. PEpline clinicians will respond to your call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Emergency calls made during evening, weekend, and holiday hours are forwarded to on-call clinicians. Non-emergency calls will be returned during business hours. The toll-free number is 1-888-448-4911.

- **Resistance Testing Consultation Panel**

<http://www.ucsf.edu/hivcntr/services.html#rtp>

States that HIV resistance testing consultation and support for California (not available to other states at this time) HIV/AIDS clinicians is available through the Warmline under a pilot project funded through the State Office of AIDS. Also contains a link to the Resistance Panel Reports, case reports from the HIV Resistance Testing Consultation Panel, a service provided through the Warmline and the UCSF Positive Health Program at San Francisco General Hospital.

- **Bulletin**

<http://www.ucsf.edu/hivcntr/services.html#bulletin>

The Bulletin, a quarterly publication of the NCCC, is organized as clinical questions and corresponding recommendations from the NCCC faculty. The questions are drawn from Warmline calls, PEpline calls, and the Resistance Testing Panel.

Guidelines

<http://www.ucsf.edu/hivcntr/resources/guidelines/index.html>

Contains links to current PHS treatment guidelines, and a few additional treatment guideline resources.

PEP Resources

<http://www.ucsf.edu/hivcntr/resources/pep/index.html>

Links to current guidelines, a PEP FAQ, and other Pep Resources and links.

Pharmacist Central

<http://www.ucsf.edu/hivcntr/pharmacy>

- **FROM THE WARMLINE:**

Antiretroviral Drugs: Dosages, Adverse Reactions, and Interaction Potential

<http://www.ucsf.edu/hivcntr/pharmacy/ARVtable0102.pdf>

This is a two page chart, and was updated January 2002.

- **Treatment of AIDS and HIV Related Conditions: 2001 (updated May 2001)**

http://www.ucsf.edu/hivcntr/assets/PDF_Files/Update2001.pdf

This is a 27-page report written by a doctor and a pharmacist of the Family Residency Program, San Francisco General Hospital, and the Departments of Family and Community Medicine and the Clinical Pharmacy at the University of California, San Francisco. Most of the report is a table listing "System, Problem, and Drug Regimen," "Duration," "Adverse Effects/Drug Interactions," and "Comments." Contains a bibliography of articles on treatment. Published in the *Journal of the American Board of Family Practice*, July-August 2001, Vol. 14, No. 4.

- **SLIDE SET: National AETC Pharmacy Faculty Development Workshop**
<http://www.ucsf.edu/hivcntr/library/slidesets.html#pharmslides>

PowerPoint Slide Presentations from the August 10-11, 2001 Workshop in San Francisco, California

Resistance Cases

<http://www.ucsf.edu/hivcntr/resources/resistancecases>

Contains a link to the **HIV Resistance Testing Consultation Panel** and links to the Panel's case reports.

Articles

<http://www.ucsf.edu/hivcntr/library>

Contains links to NCCC articles and Information Sheets, including **Treatment of HIV and AIDS-Related Conditions: 2001**, **Elements of Resistance Test Interpretation**, and **From Clinician to Consultant: Strategies for Translating Expertise into Effective Consultation**.

Slide Sets

<http://www.ucsf.edu/hivcntr/library/slidesets.html>

Links to Powerpoint presentations on HIV/AIDS care and treatment topics, such as PEP, drug interactions, pregnant women, substance abuse, new drugs, resistance, etc.

HIV Drug Interaction Management *(this link is further down the page—not in left sidebar)*

http://www.ucsf.edu/hivcntr/pharmacy/Drug_Intxn_Web.pdf

A document that lists and describes Internet and print resources on HIV drug interactions.

✧ **National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID), Division of Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (DAIDS)**

<http://www.niaid.nih.gov/daids>

The mission of DAIDS is to increase basic knowledge of the pathogenesis, natural history, and transmission of HIV disease and to support research that promotes progress in its detection, treatment, and prevention. DAIDS accomplishes this through planning, implementing, managing, and evaluating programs in fundamental basic research, discovery and development of therapies for HIV infection and its complications, and discovery and development of vaccines and other prevention strategies.

Resources

<http://www.niaid.nih.gov/daids/resourcestools.htm>

Links to scientific and technical research resources and to clinical trials databases; for patients, physicians, and investigators.

Publications and Meeting Summaries

<http://www.niaid.nih.gov/daids/meetingsum.htm>

NIAID and NIH fact sheets and publications on HIV/AIDS, and some NIAID meeting summaries from 2000.

NIAID-Funded Research Networks and Programs

<http://www.niaid.nih.gov/daids/fundedresearch.htm>

Information for clinicians looking for NIAID HIV/AIDS research funding.

HIV Vaccines

<http://www.niaid.nih.gov/daids/vaccine>

A comprehensive overview of AIDS vaccine discovery and development; contains information of general interest as well as details of NIAID's major programs and activities in the vaccine area.

HIV/AIDS Treatment

<http://www.niaid.nih.gov/daids/therapeutics>

A comprehensive overview of the discovery and development of AIDS drugs; contains information of general interest as well as details of NIAID's programs and activities in AIDS therapeutic research.

✧ **National Institutes of Health (NIH) Office of AIDS Research (OAR)**

<http://www.nih.gov/od/oar>

OAR is located within the Office of the Director of NIH and is responsible for the scientific, budgetary, legislative, and policy elements of the NIH AIDS research program. Congress has provided broad authority to OAR to plan, coordinate, evaluate, and fund all NIH AIDS research. OAR is responsible for the development of an annual comprehensive plan and budget for all NIH AIDS research. OAR supports trans-NIH Coordinating Committees to assist in these efforts in the following areas of program emphasis that have to do with treatment.

About OAR

http://www.nih.gov/od/oar/about/about_oar.htm

- [Therapeutics](#) – A link to drug research at NIH
- [Vaccines](#) – A link to vaccine research at NIH
- [Information Dissemination](#) – A link to how NIH HIV/AIDS information is distributed

✧ **National Library of Medicine (NLM), National Institutes of Health (NIH), U.S. Department of Human Services (DHHS)**

<http://www.nlm.nih.gov>

The NLM is the world's largest medical library. NLM's online AIDS resources and other NLM databases are searchable at libraries, other institutions, and via personal computers. These free resources include the following.

MEDLINE®/PubMed® (see separate entry)

<http://pubmed.gov>

MEDLINE is the NLM's premier bibliographic database covering the fields of medicine, nursing, dentistry, veterinary medicine, the health care system, and the preclinical sciences. MEDLINE (including the AIDS subset of this database) is available through PubMed and contains references to journal articles published since 1980, as well as citations to HIV/AIDS-related newsletters. This subset contains approximately 160,000 citations—over 50 percent of which have abstracts—with new citations added continuously. To access the AIDS subset of MEDLINE, go to the PubMed Web site and click on Limits under the search term entry box. Then choose AIDS from the Subset menu.

ClinicalTrials.gov (see separate entry)

<http://clinicaltrials.gov>

ClinicalTrials.gov provides patients, family members, health care professionals, and members of the public easy access to information on clinical trials for a wide range of diseases and conditions. The U.S. National Institutes of Health (NIH), through its National Library of Medicine (NLM), has developed this site in collaboration with all NIH Institutes and the [Food and Drug Administration](#) (FDA). The site currently contains approximately 5,700 clinical studies sponsored by the National Institutes of Health, other Federal agencies, and the pharmaceutical industry in over 63,000 locations worldwide. Studies listed in the database are conducted primarily in the United States and Canada, but include locations in about 70 countries.

NLM Gateway

<http://gateway.nlm.nih.gov>

The NLM Gateway enables users to retrieve information from several NLM resources, including MEDLINE, LOCATORplus (the online catalog of books and audiovisuals), and meeting abstracts. Abstracts are included from the Fifth through the Thirteenth International Conferences on AIDS, the Symposium on Non-Human Primate Models for AIDS, the Annual Meeting of the American Society for Microbiology, and others.

DIRLINE® (see separate entry)

<http://dirline.nlm.nih.gov>

DIRLINE is an online, annotated directory listing some 10,000 health organizations. It includes information on over 1,000 national and international organizations that provide AIDS-related services or information, including direct support services, counseling, and databases; clinics and hospitals are not included.

MEDLINEplus® (see separate entry)

<http://medlineplus.gov>

MEDLINEplus provides access to extensive, accurate, and current medical information about specific diseases and conditions. The site also has links to consumer health information from the National Institutes of Health, dictionaries, lists of hospitals and physicians, health information in Spanish and other languages, and clinical trials. All information links on this site have been peer-reviewed for accuracy. There is no advertising on this site, nor does MEDLINEplus endorse any company or product. The sections on AIDS contain many links to treatment items in Spanish.

✧ **National Minority AIDS Council (NMAC)**

<http://www.nmac.org>

NMAC, established in 1987, is dedicated to developing leadership within communities of color to address the challenge of HIV/AIDS. NMAC sponsors the U.S. Conference on AIDS and the North American AIDS Treatment Action Forum each year, along with regional training for community-based organizations. This site lacks a site map or a search utility, which would assist the user in finding information. NMAC has many useful print publications, but they are not posted on the Web site.

Help for Persons with HIV/AIDS

<http://www.nmac.org/access.asp>

This page includes links to a database to find Community Based Organizations (CBOs), information for CBOs (you can access this information only if you work for a CBO and register—the author does not know what information is available at this site), and a database for state HIV/AIDS Hotlines.

United States Conference on AIDS

<http://www.nmac.org/usca2002>

Information the largest annual U.S. based HIV/AIDS conference for service providers.

North American AIDS Treatment Action Forum

<http://www.nmac.org/nataf/2002>

This annual conference is open to anyone interested in broadening their knowledge of HIV/AIDS research and treatment issues. Participants include the volunteers, staff and board members of community-based organizations, case managers, social workers, AIDS educators, outreach workers, pharmaceutical and government representatives, health care professionals, and people living with HIV/AIDS.

NMAC Regional Training

http://www.nmac.org/conference/regionals/regional_info.htm

Contains a current schedule of upcoming NMAC regional training classes designed for community-based organizations and care providers that serve minority populations.

Order Online: Educational videos and publications addressing minority and at-risk communities

<http://www.nmac.org/pubs/pubs.htm>

A list of NMAC videos and publications, a link to the quarterly NMAC newsletter, *Lifeline*, and a link to Meet the Expert Web Broadcasts (the latest one posted is dated 1999, and none are scheduled at this time).

Publication Order Form

<http://www.nmac.org/treatment/treatpub.htm>

These treatment publications (in English or Spanish) may be ordered or downloaded in HTML or PDF.

- More Than Just Meds!: Tips and Tricks to Maintain Your Quality of Life (no date available)
- Once or Twice?: A Guide to Medication Dosing for the Treatment of HIV Infection (no date available)
- Lipo What?: A Patient's Guide to Body-Shape Changes and Lipid Problems Associated with HIV (September 2000)
- Patient's Guide to HIV Medicines and Guidelines for Their Use (March 2000)

Revised to include January 19, 2000 update of the *Guidelines for the Use of Antiretroviral Agents in HIV-Infected Adults and Adolescents*. The *Patient Self-Assessment* can also be downloaded. This is a useful questionnaire that patients can take to their doctors to describe their lifestyles and schedules, which is important when taking medications with side effect on a schedule. This particular publication and the self-assessment are available in English, Spanish, and French. NMAC has a print copy of the guide that was revised to include the February 5, 2001 update to the *Guidelines for the Use of Antiretroviral Agents in HIV-Infected Adults and Adolescents*, but this doesn't seem to be the version posted on the Web as of February 2002.

✧ **National Pediatric AIDS Network (NPAN)**

<http://www.npan.org>

NPAN is a nonprofit organization that works collaboratively with a number of other HIV/AIDS information providers to provide an extensive resource page of Web links for information on children and adolescents with HIV/AIDS. If you are interested in HIV/AIDS treatment for children and adolescents, this page is highly recommended as a guide to resources on the Internet.

✧ National Prevention Information Network (NPIN)

<http://www.cdcnpin.org>

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC's) National Prevention Information Network is a reference, referral, and distribution service for information on HIV/AIDS, sexually transmitted diseases, and tuberculosis. This Web site is supported by the CDC and replaced the CDC National AIDS Clearinghouse.

Treatment and Support (from home page, click on **Topics** button, then Treatment and Support)

<http://www.cdcnpin.org/topic/treatmnt.htm>

- News and Information About Treatment Support
<http://www.cdcnpin.org/topic/treatmnt.htm#news>

These links include treatment guidelines, upcoming conferences, and other treatment issues. Information could be more current in this section.

- Links to Web sites About Treatment and Support
http://www.cdcnpin.org/rellinks_4.htm#treatment

This is the "Treatment and Care" link section from a large list of HIV/AIDS-related links. There are no annotations for links. CDC and the National Prevention Information Network (NPIN) do not necessarily recommend or endorse all the information contained on these Web sites. There are about 35 links to sites with treatment information on HIV/AIDS, including alternative treatments, hepatitis, opportunistic infections, viatical settlements, and yoga.

- Publications about Treatment and Support
<http://www.cdcnpin.org/pubs/start.htm>

This links to a subject guide to all publications available through CDC NPIN. Select the Treatment and Support category.

This category includes HIV/AIDS treatment publications that you can order online; up to 10 publications are free (includes multiple copies of one publication) on a single order. Publication topics include treatment guidelines and updates, how to cope with opportunistic infections, care giving, nutrition, sexually transmitted diseases, tuberculosis, and Social Security benefits. Some items are also available in Spanish.

✧ New Mexico AIDS InfoNet

<http://www.aidsinonet.org>

The New Mexico AIDS InfoNet is a project of the New Mexico AIDS Education and Training Center in the Infectious Diseases Division of the University of New Mexico School of Medicine. The InfoNet was originally designed to make information on HIV/AIDS services and treatments easily accessible in both English and Spanish for residents of New Mexico. Some InfoNet Fact Sheets have information that is specific to New Mexico; national references are provided when relevant. Major project funding has been provided by the National Library of Medicine; the New Mexico Department of Health, Public Health Division; and the Levi Strauss Foundation. Additional support has been provided by several pharmaceutical companies.

Go to Index of Fact Sheets

<http://www.aidsinfonet.org/001-index.html>

This site provides about 100 fact sheets on treatment topics, written at the 8th or 9th grade reading level. The fact sheets are updated frequently and are reviewed by a medical doctor. You may print the fact sheets with your browser, with Microsoft Word, or with the Adobe Acrobat Reader program [for Portable Document file (PDF) format]. The fact sheets are also available in Spanish. Fact Sheet #999 is a list of over 500 Internet sites on HIV/AIDS, arranged by topic.

✧ **Pediatric AIDS Clinical Trials Group (PACTG)**

<http://pactg.s-3.com>

The Pediatric AIDS Clinical Trials Group is a collaborative effort of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAD) and the National Institute for Child Health and Human Development (NICHD). The PACTG specializes in evaluating treatments for HIV-infected children, developing new approaches for the interruption of mother-to-infant transmission, and establishing standards of care for children infected with HIV. This site would be of interest to clinicians conducting HIV/AIDS treatment research trials.

✧ **Physicians' Research Network, Inc. (PRN)**

<http://www.prn.org>

The mission of this not-for-profit organization is to provide peer support to health care providers who treat people with HIV disease. The organization works to improve the diagnosis, management, and prevention of all aspects of HIV disease and to enhance the skills of providers. Clinical reports and scientific meeting summaries are published in a monthly journal entitled *The PRN Report*. Physicians review the content of the site. Several pharmaceutical companies provide unrestricted educational grants to support the site.

The PRN Notebook Online

http://www.prn.org/prn_nb_cntnt/current.htm

PRN's newsletter on HIV/AIDS treatment

PRN Reports

http://www.prn.org/prn_nb_cntnt/prepress.htm

Reports on HIV/AIDS treatment

PRN News Capsules

http://www.prn.org/prn_nb_cntnt/capsules.htm

Current news and reports

Provider Resources (not a link—links are under this heading)

http://www.prn.org/prn_nb_cntnt/capsules.htm

Some of these links were not operational at the time this manual was compiled.

- [PRN's Clinical Care Algorithm for Chronic HBV Infection](http://www.prn.org/prn_nb_cntnt/algorithm.hbv.htm) (updated 2001)

- [PI and NNRTI Effect on Drug Level Chart](http://www.prn.org/prn_nb_cntnt/drug_interaction.htm) (updated January 2001)
http://www.prn.org/prn_nb_cntnt/drug_interaction.htm
Links to a chart titled Drug-Drug Interactions: Protease Inhibitors and Non-Nucleosides Reverse Transcriptase Inhibitors.”
- [Interactions Between Protease Inhibitors - Effect of Drug on Levels \(AUC \) / Dose](http://www.prn.org/prn_nb_cntnt/pdf/pi_effect_of_drug_on_levels_6-20-01.pdf) (updated June 2001)
http://www.prn.org/prn_nb_cntnt/pdf/pi_effect_of_drug_on_levels_6-20-01.pdf

✧ Project Inform (PI)

<http://www.projectinform.org>

Project Inform is a national, nonprofit, community-based organization based in San Francisco working to end the AIDS epidemic. Its mission is to provide vital information on the diagnosis and treatment of HIV to HIV-infected individuals, their caregivers, and their health care and service providers; to advocate enlightened regulatory, research, and funding policies affecting the development of, access to, and delivery of effective treatments, as well as to fund innovative research opportunities; to inspire people to make informed choices amid uncertainty, and to choose hope over despair. Funded by individuals, corporate and private foundations, individual bequests, and government sources. Some items are in Spanish.

Treatment Information

<http://www.projectinform.org/pub>

Project Inform has produced easy-to-read publications on a wide range of topics including information about specific anti-HIV therapies, diagnosis and treatments for HIV/AIDS-related diseases and conditions, and discussions about things to consider when treating HIV. Information is organized alphabetically and by subject. It may also be searched by keyword.

- [Introductory Packet](#) – This selection of Project Inform materials is a good starting point to learn more about HIV and your treatment options. The Introductory Packet is sent to all first-time callers to the PI Hotline.
- [Anti-HIV Therapies](#) – Includes information on alternative and complementary therapies. Articles include information on how a drug works, what it is commonly used for, a summary of research findings, side effects, dosing and drug interactions as well as how to access the drug and commentary from Project Inform.
 - [Drug Dosing Chart](#) (updated February 2002)
<http://www.projectinform.org/fs/dosingchart.html>
 - [Drug Interactions](#) (updated March 2001)
<http://www.projectinform.org/fs/drugin.html>

This page contains a list of prescription drugs used by HIV/AIDS patients. Each drug has a chart that lists potential drug interactions. Some of these interactions have been reported in medical literature while others are purely anecdotal. The chart was compiled with information from package inserts, anecdotal reports, discussions with pharmacologists and physicians who treat HIV disease, and discussions with pharmaceutical companies.

- [Drug Resistance Tests](#)
<http://www.projectinform.org/fs/GenoPheno.html>

- Dealing with Drug Side Effects (updated April 2001)
<http://www.projectinform.org/fs/sideeffects.html>
 - Drug Side Effects Chart (updated April 2001)
<http://www.projectinform.org/fs/sideeffectschart.html>
- Interpreting Viral Load: The Mellors Chart
<http://www.projectinform.org/fs/mellors.html>
- Opportunistic Infections and Conditions
<http://www.projectinform.org/indexS.html#ois>
Materials related to opportunistic infections and conditions associated with HIV. Information covers the appropriate standard-of-care guidelines or points to consider when choosing treatments.
 - Includes a link to the Chart of Opportunistic Infections (updated October 2001)
http://www.projectinform.org/fs/oi_chart.html
- Immune Restoration
<http://www.projectinform.org/indexS.html#immune>
Materials related to immune-based therapies
- Women-specific topics
<http://www.projectinform.org/indexS.html#women>
- Special Topics
<http://www.projectinform.org/indexS.html#misc>
Materials on information that does not fit the above categories

Scroll further down the page for links to the following Newsletters.

- PI Perspective – The HIV treatment journal of Project Inform, published three times a year. Articles include recent advances in HIV/AIDS research, advances in understanding HIV disease, discussions about developing treatment strategies, HIV/AIDS public policy issues, and information on programs at Project Inform.
- Wise Words – Highlights topics of interest to women living with HIV/AIDS. *Wise Words* is published three times a year.
- What's New? – PI's monthly summary of recent HIV treatment information and program activities. It includes brief updates on topics that Project Inform's hotline operators may be asked to comment on by callers.

Women's Information

http://www.projectinform.org/pub/ww_index.html

A link to PI's *Wise Words* newsletter for women living with HIV/AIDS and fact sheets in English and Spanish.

Hotline

<http://www.ProjectInform.org/org/hotline.html>

For confidential treatment information by phone, call the Project Inform National HIV/AIDS Treatment Hotline at (800) 822-7422 (toll-free in the U.S.) or (415) 558-9051 (in the San Francisco Bay Area or internationally). Hotline hours are Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm and Saturday, 10am-4pm (Pacific Time). The Hotline is staffed by volunteer operators who undergo an intensive training program.

✧ San Francisco AIDS Foundation (SFAF)

<http://www.sfaf.org>

The goal of the San Francisco AIDS Foundation is to provide treatment information, support services, and advocacy for people living with HIV disease. *The Bulletin of Experimental Treatment for AIDS (BETA)* and *Treatment Flash* are treatment newsletters published by the Foundation. Resources on the site are available in Spanish. The San Francisco AIDS Foundation receives most of its funding from government grants and private donations.

Treatment

<http://www.sfaf.org/treatment>

This page provides links to treatment resources, publications, articles, and Internet links to other treatment Web sites.

- [AIDS 101: Guide to HIV Basics](http://www.sfaf.org/aids101/treatment.html)
<http://www.sfaf.org/aids101/treatment.html>

This page contains short descriptions of treatment options for HIV as well as links to additional treatment resources, publications, and treatment Web sites.

- [Antiviral Therapy](#)
- [Broad Spectrum Healing Program](#)
- [Clinical Trials](#)
- [Immune Boosting Therapy](#)
- [Monitoring the Immune System](#)
- [Natural Approaches to Treating HIV](#)
- [Nutrition](#)
- [Opportunistic Infection Treatment and Prevention](#)
- [Politics of Treatment](#)

- [More than 150 HIV treatment articles arranged by topic](http://www.sfaf.org/treatment/treatment_topics.html)
http://www.sfaf.org/treatment/treatment_topics.html

A subject index to more than 160 articles from SFAF's publications. Articles from easy-to-read publications such as *Treatment Flash* are labeled "The Basics," while articles from the journal *Bulletin of Experimental Treatments for AIDS* are labeled "In Depth." There are a few items from 2001 in the index, but most items are older. For the latest information, look at the latest newsletters.

- [Summary Sheets on new HIV treatment strategies](http://www.sfaf.org/treatment/factsheets)
<http://www.sfaf.org/treatment/factsheets>

The SFAF's Treatment Education and Support department is currently updating these summary sheets to reflect the latest HIV treatment strategies. The revised fact sheets were supposed to be published here in 2001, but they were not posted as of February 2002.

- [Glossary of 2000+ HIV-AIDS-Related Terms](http://www.sfaf.org/treatment/glossary)
<http://www.sfaf.org/treatment/glossary>
- [Bulletin of Experimental Treatments for AIDS](http://www.sfaf.org/beta)
<http://www.sfaf.org/beta>

BETA, the *Bulletin of Experimental Treatments for AIDS*, covers new developments in AIDS treatment research. *BETA* includes in-depth articles on treatment for HIV infection and AIDS-related illnesses for HIV positive individuals and their caregivers. It is published quarterly (winter, spring, summer, and autumn) by the SFAF's Treatment Education and Support Unit. Contributing writers to *BETA* include

AIDS researchers and clinicians as well as AIDS community advocates and activists, and each article is peer-reviewed. Each issue of *BETA* includes News Briefs, Research Notes, a Women and HIV/AIDS department, a listing of open clinical trials, and an extensive glossary of terms.

BETA is a more technical and scientifically-oriented publication than *Treatment Flash*.

- [Treatment Flash](#)

http://www.sfaf.org/treatment/treatment_flash

This is a publication to give SFAF's clients the most recent news on a variety of topics relating to HIV-positive people. *Treatment Flash* is written in easy-to-understand English and Spanish, and is seen as a good companion publication to *BETA*. The latest issue on the Web is January 2001.

- [Treatment Web Sites](#)

http://www.sfaf.org/aboutaids/links/links_treatment.html

An annotated list of treatment Web sites.

✧ **sci.med.aids FAQ**

<http://www.aids.wustl.edu>

Sci.med.aids is an international newsgroup on AIDS, a USENET newsgroup that discusses AIDS and HIV. A gateway forwards articles posted to sci.med.aids to a listserv mailing list called AIDS. The thousands of sci.med.aids readers include people with HIV infections, published authors, researchers, public health officials, and interested individuals. It is carried in several countries, particularly in the Americas and Europe. Sci.med.aids is moderated by a team. When readers submit an article, it must be approved by two members of the moderation team before it will be posted to the newsgroup.

The sci.med.aids "FAQ" answers frequently asked questions about AIDS and the sci.med.aids newsgroup. The moderators try to keep things as up to date and accurate as possible. However, readers of the site may post updates to the moderators. Some sections contain information that is not current, e.g., the treatment guidelines links were not current as of February 2002.

Section 4. Treatment options

<http://www.aids.wustl.edu/aids/sci.med.aids.faq4.html>

- [Guidelines for the Use of Antiretroviral Agents in HIV-Infected Adults and Adolescents \(8/01\)](#)
- [Report of the NIH Panel to Define Principles of Therapy of HIV Infection \(4/98\)](#)
- [Guidelines for the Prevention of Opportunistic Infections in Persons Infected with Human Immunodeficiency Virus \(8/99\)](#)
- [List of FDA approved drugs for AIDS \(3/01\)](#)
- [AIDS Drugs - an overview \(6/96\)](#)
- [What about "alternative" treatments for HIV/AIDS](#)

Section 5. Social Services Available

<http://www.aids.wustl.edu/aids/sci.med.aids.faq5.html>

- [Guide to Social Security Benefits](#)
- [What if you can't afford AIDS Treatment drugs?](#)

✧ **Social Security Administration (SSA)**

<http://www.ssa.gov>

“Social Security Online” is the official home page of the SSA. Information on disability benefits may be helpful to HIV/AIDS patients.

Disability

<http://www.ssa.gov/disability>

Links to information on how to apply for Social Security disability benefits and how to evaluate disabilities.

A Guide To Social Security and SSI Disability Benefits For People with HIV Infection

<http://www.ssa.gov/pubs/10020.html>

✧ **The University of North Carolina AIDS Research and Treatment Unit**

<http://www.med.unc.edu/medicine/hivaidsc>

The University of North Carolina AIDS Research and Treatment Unit is dedicated to conducting research on HIV infection and providing access to promising treatment to persons living with HIV. The program provides access to clinical studies researching antiretroviral therapies, immunomodulators, HIV-related malignancies, wasting syndrome, neurological complications, gastrointestinal illnesses, and many others. In addition to conducting research, the staff provides treatment consultation for health care providers. The National Institutes of Health is a sponsor of the program. Funding is also accepted from pharmaceutical companies. This page is geared toward clinicians.

On the home page click on **Treatment News** for HIV/AIDS treatment information, including a treatment manual.

HIV Treatment Manual (updated March 2000)

<http://www.med.unc.edu/medicine/hivaidsc/cookbook.html>

The HIV Management Manual provides information on the treatment and management of over 30 HIV-related malignancies, antiretroviral therapies, laboratory predictors of disease, and treatment of asymptomatic patients.

✧ **Veterans Administration AIDS Information Center**

<http://vhaaidsinfo.cio.med.va.gov/aidsinfo/TOC.htm>

The Public Health Strategic Health Care Group of the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) sponsors the VA AIDS Information Center, which provides up-to-date HIV/AIDS treatment information to physicians, researchers, social workers, counselors, and other health care professionals. Information is provided by electronic communication, including a biweekly *AIDS Information Newsletter*.

AIDS Information Newsletter

<http://vhaaidsinfo.cio.med.va.gov/aidsinfo/Newsletters/TOC.htm>

Published by the VA AIDS Information Center. Biweekly newsletters from June 2000 to January 2002 (as of February 2002) are available.

How to Receive Communications from the Center

<http://vhaaidsinfo.cio.med.va.gov/aidsinfo/aic-factsheet.htm>

This page provides instructions on how to receive communications such as newsletters and announcements from the VA AIDS Information Center.

