

# **How to Find Reliable**

# **HIV/AIDS**

# **Treatment Information**

# **on the Internet**

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## Preface

With a new HIV/AIDS treatment issue in the news each day, it is difficult for people living with HIV/AIDS and the health professionals who care for them to keep up with the latest breakthroughs. The purpose of this presentation is to inform those who need to stay current about where to go for the most accurate and up-to-date information about treatment and research. Searching for quality HIV/AIDS Web sites is an efficient, inexpensive, and powerful way to find current information. Newspapers and television may break current developments, but often more in-depth information on the same topics—on the same day—can be found on a reputable HIV/AIDS Web site. It may take 6-12 months for new information to appear in a printed medical journal or newsletter, but some researchers, drug companies, HIV/AIDS organizations, and government agencies release important information on the Internet within days. Additionally, many treatment newsletters are published on the Internet.

Participants will become aware of how to find the most current treatment information on the Internet, including clinical trials, HIV/AIDS drugs, treatment regimens, and medical literature. Discussion will center on how to determine the accuracy of medical information found on the Internet and will include a review of several reputable treatment Web sites, including the National Library of Medicine's (NLM's) free HIV/AIDS databases and HIV/AIDS consumer information on MEDLINE<sup>plus</sup>, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the AIDS Treatment Data Network, the AIDS Clinical Trials Information Service (ACTIS), the HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service (ATIS), the Body, AEGIS, HIV InSite, and more. Participants will receive handout materials that contain all information discussed in the workshop.

The Specialized Information Services Division of the NLM, part of the National Institutes of Health, is sponsoring this workshop for those who are just beginning to search the Internet to find the latest quality HIV/AIDS treatment information resources. The facilitator is an experienced database trainer for NLM, and has been teaching HIV/AIDS information resources courses to students and faculty at Historically Black Colleges and Universities, and at professional meetings, for several years.

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## List of Acronyms

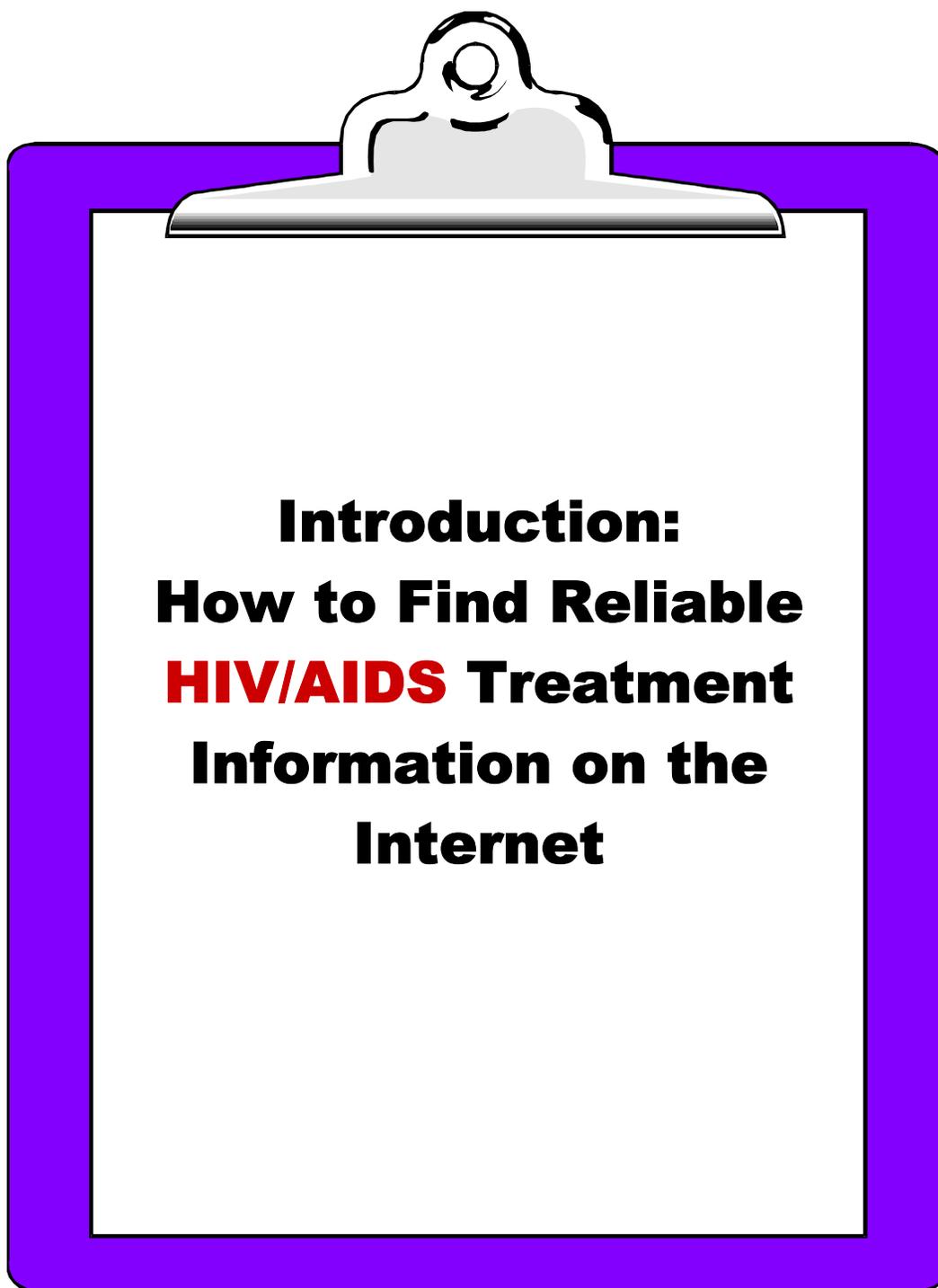
ACTIS	AIDS Clinical Trials Information Service
ADAP	AIDS Drug Assistance Program
AEGIS	AIDS Education Global Information System
AETC	AIDS Education and Training Centers
AIDS	Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome
AMA	American Medical Association
amfAR	American Foundation for AIDS Research
ARI	AIDS Research Institute
ARIC	AIDS Research Information Center
ATIS	HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service
BETA	Bulletin of Experimental Treatments for AIDS
BUARC	Bastyr University AIDS Research Center
CARE Act	Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resources Emergency Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-381)
CDC	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
CME	Continuing Medical Education
CMHRA	Center for Mental Health Research on AIDS
CMV	Cytomegalovirus
CPAT	Community Provider AIDS Training Project
CRIA	Community Research Initiative on AIDS
DAAIR	Direct AIDS Alternative Information Resources
DAIDS	Division of Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome
DIRLINE	Directory of Information Resources Online
FAQ	Frequently Asked Questions
FDA	Food and Drug Administration
FTP	File Transfer Protocol
G.A.R.D.	Global AIDS Resource Directory
GMHC	Gay Men's Health Crisis
HAART	Highly Active Antiretroviral Therapy
HHS	Health and Human Services
HIV	Human Immunodeficiency Virus
HIVCIN	HIV Clinical Information Network
HRSA	Health Resources and Services Administration
HTML	Hypertext Markup Language
IAPAC	International Association of Physicians in AIDS Care
IAS	International AIDS Society
IAS-USA	International AIDS Society, United States of America
ICAAC	Interscience Conference on Antimicrobial Agents and Chemotherapy

ICAR	International Conference on Antiviral Research
IDSA	Infectious Disease Society of America
IND	Investigational New Drug
JAMA	<i>Journal of the American Medical Association</i>
MATEP	Midwest AIDS Training Center Partners
MMWR	Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report
MS Word	Microsoft Word
NATAP	National AIDS Treatment Advocacy Project
NIAID	National Institute for Allergy and Infectious Diseases
NIH	National Institutes of Health
NIMH	National Institute for Mental Health
NLM	National Library of Medicine
NMAC	National Minority AIDS Council
NPIN	National Prevention Information Network
OAM	Office of Alternative Medicine
OAR	Office of AIDS Research
OI	Opportunistic Infections
PAETC	Pacific AIDS Education and Training Center
PCP	Pneumocystis Carinii Pneumonia
PDF	Portable Document Format
PDQ	Physician Data Query
PEP	Post-Exposure Prophylaxis
PHS	Public Health Service
PI	Project Inform
PIV	Partnership in Vision
PWA	Persons with AIDS
RITA!	Research Initiative/Treatment Action!
STD	Sexually Transmitted Disease
TAG	Treatment Action Group
TB	Tuberculosis
TPAN	Test Positive Aware Network
UCSF	University of California, San Francisco
UN	United Nations
USPHS	U.S. Public Health Service

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





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

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## Introduction

- ✂ Many HIV/AIDS treatment resources can be accessed on the Internet.
- ✂ Some valuable resources will be highlighted in this course.

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## Objectives

Participants will

- ✂ Be shown how to evaluate the accuracy of information on the Internet.
- ✂ Be exposed to quality Web sites with AIDS treatment information.
- ✂ Share their own experiences with AIDS treatment information on the Internet.

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## Evaluating Internet Resources

- ⌘ Information on the Internet may be inaccurate.
- ⌘ Be savvy - evaluate the information you find.

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## Why the Internet?

- ⌘ Abundance of FREE information:
  - ▶ Medical journals/databases
  - ▶ Prescription drugs
  - ▶ Clinical trials
  - ▶ Treatment options

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## Why the Internet? (cont.)

- ⌘ 24-hour availability
- ⌘ Current awareness
- ⌘ Ability to connect with people with similar medical problems
- ⌘ Anonymity/privacy

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## **Currentness**

- ✂ Is there a date? What does the date represent?
- ✂ Is the information up to date?
- ✂ Is the update frequency apparent?
- ✂ Is the information static or does it change regularly?
- ✂ Is currentness necessary for this type of information?

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## **Authority**

- ✂ Who is the author?
- ✂ Is information available about the author?
- ✂ Is the author the original creator of the information?
- ✂ What are the author's credentials?
- ✂ What is the author's occupation?
- ✂ What is the author's education?

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## **Accuracy**

- ✂ Is the information reliable?
- ✂ Is the information free from error?
- ✂ Where does the information come from?
- ✂ Are sources cited? Can you independently verify the information?
- ✂ Has the information been reviewed or refereed?

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## **Cases of Inaccurate Information on the Web**

⚡ **Many home HIV test kits sold over the Internet supply inaccurate results according to the Federal Trade Commission.**

▶ Correct information:

Only one home test is reliable, as per the Food and Drug Administration: Home Access Express HIV-I Test System.

Source: *USA Today*, 6/21/99, p. 5D

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## **Cases of Inaccurate Information on the Web (cont.)**

⚡ **Johns Hopkins University's and C. Everett Koop's Web sites were slow to add information on new hepatitis treatments.**

Source: National Public Radio, 1999

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## **Affiliation**

⚡ **Affiliation = Publisher.**

⚡ **What institution is connected with this information?**

⚡ **Does the institution exercise quality control?**

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## **Purpose**

- ⌘ Web sites can blend advertising, entertainment, and information.
- ⌘ What is the purpose of this Web site?

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## **Objectivity**

- ⌘ Is there a minimum of bias?
- ⌘ Is there any apparent conflict, such as advertising by the sponsor?

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## **Audience**

- ⌘ Who is the intended audience?
  - ▶ Professionals
  - ▶ Consumers
  - ▶ Patients

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## Coverage

- ✂ What topics are included?
- ✂ What is the depth of exploration?
- ✂ Has unfavorable information been omitted?

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## Buying Drugs Online

- ✂ Is the site a licensed pharmacy in good standing?
  - ▶ National Association of Boards of Pharmacy:  
[www.nabp.net](http://www.nabp.net), or call 847-698-6227.
- ✂ Are the drugs for sale approved by the Federal Drug Administration?
- ✂ Are the drugs for sale by prescription only?
- ✂ Is a physical exam required for a first time prescription?

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## Buying Drugs Online (cont.)

- ✂ Is a registered pharmacist available to answer questions?
- ✂ Does the site provide identification and a U.S. address?
- ✂ Is a phone number provided in case you have a question or problem?

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## **Buying Drugs Online (cont.)**

### **⌘ Stay away from sites that**

- ▶ Advertise a "new cure" for a serious disorder or a quick cure-all for a wide range of ailments.
- ▶ Use impressive-sounding terminology to disguise a lack of good science or those that claim the government, the medical profession, or research scientists have conspired to suppress a product.
- ▶ Include undocumented case histories claiming "amazing" results.

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## **Locating Information on the World Wide Web**

### **⌘ Use a search directory/engine to find Web sites.**

- ▶ Read the Help section for tips to refine your search.

### **⌘ Be persistent.**

### **⌘ Ask a librarian for assistance.**

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## **Locating Information on a Web Site**

### **⌘ Look for topics of interest to click on.**

### **⌘ Look for a site map.**

### **⌘ Look for a search tool for the site.**

### **⌘ Look for a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) selection.**

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## Starting Points

### **AIDS Clinical Trials Information Service (ACTIS)** <http://actis.org>

- ▶ Government-sponsored information on government and private clinical trials
- ▶ Clinical Trials database
- ▶ Drug Information database

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## Starting Points (cont.)

### **AIDS Education Global Information System (AEGIS)** <http://www.aegis.org>

- ▶ Comprehensive coverage - large HIV/AIDS Web site
- ▶ Compiled for inclusiveness, not quality
- ▶ Updated frequently
- ▶ *HIV Daily Briefing* on home page
- ▶ Site search engine

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## Starting Points (cont.)

### **AIDS Treatment Data Network** <http://aidsinfoyhc.org/network>

- ▶ About 30 simple fact sheets on treatment topics
- ▶ *Treatment Review*
- ▶ Contains some Spanish resources

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## Starting Points (cont.)

**⚡ HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service (ATIS)**

<http://hivatis.org>

- ▶ Government-sponsored treatment guidelines

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## Starting Points (cont.)

**⚡ HIV InSite**

<http://hivinsite.ucsf.edu>

- ▶ Mostly practitioner-oriented
- ▶ Well-organized links
- ▶ Treatment guidelines
- ▶ *Knowledge Base* - treatment textbook

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## Starting Points (cont.)

**⚡ Johns Hopkins AIDS Service**

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

- ▶ Mostly practitioner-oriented
- ▶ Medical expert Q & A for patients and doctors

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## Starting Points (cont.)

⌘ **MEDLINEplus AIDS Information**  
<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/aids.html>

- ▶ Web sites reviewed for quality
- ▶ Broad coverage of topics

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## Starting Points (cont.)

⌘ **New Mexico AIDS InfoNet**  
<http://www.aidsinfonet.org>

- ▶ About 80 fact sheets on treatment topics
  - Written for 8<sup>th</sup>- or 9<sup>th</sup>-grade level
  - Reviewed by a medical doctor
  - Available also in Spanish

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## Starting Points (cont.)

⌘ **Project Inform**  
<http://www.ProjectInform.org>

- ▶ About 80 fact sheets on treatment topics
  - Technical, but readable
  - “Introductory Packet”
  - Medical review not mentioned
  - Many items also in Spanish

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## **Criteria for Web Sites in This Document**

- ⌘ **Treatment information**
- ⌘ **Emphasis on nonprofit or government**
- ⌘ **Emphasis on information for patients**
- ⌘ **National focus**
- ⌘ **Unique information**

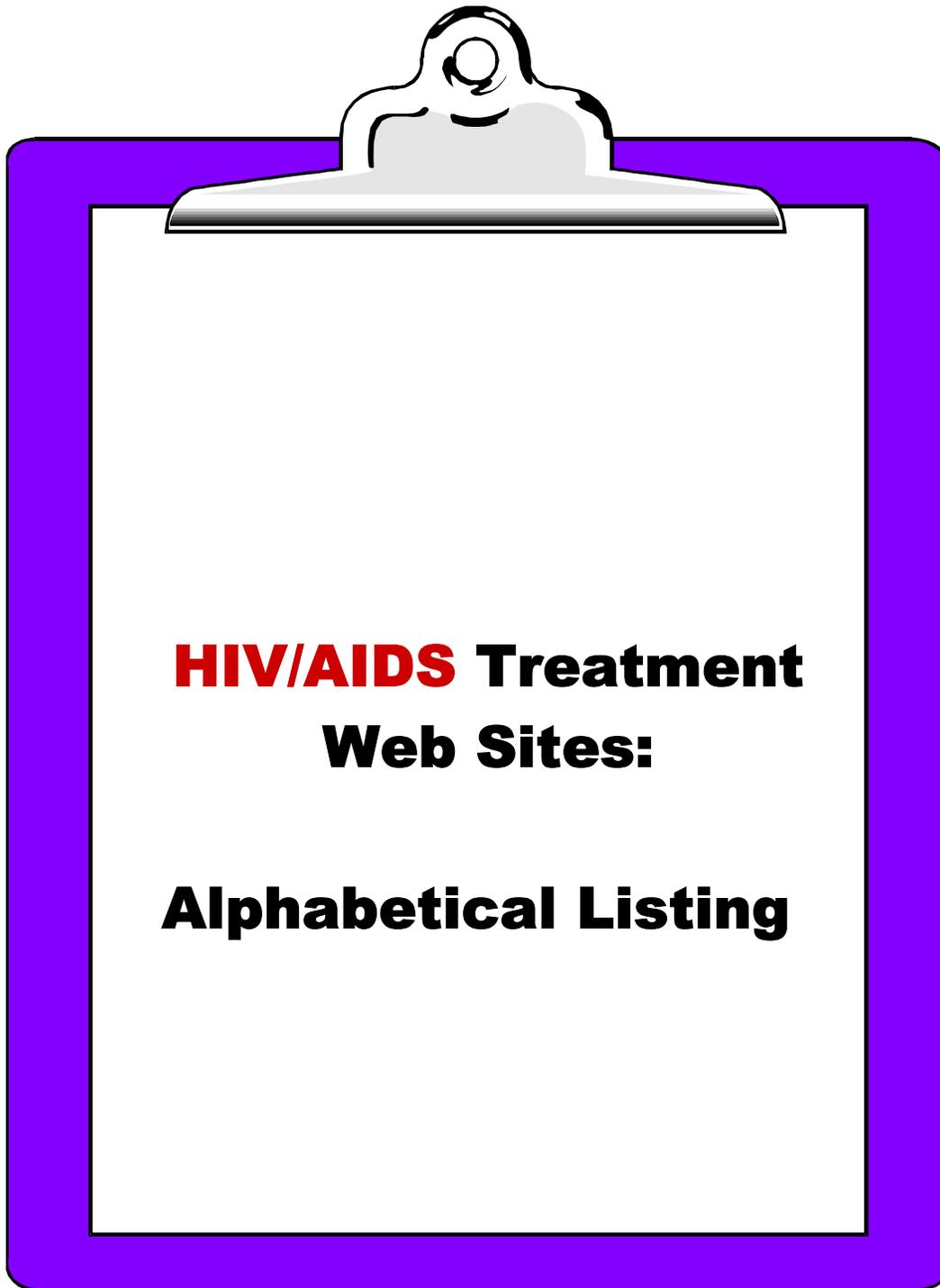
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## **Last Word**

- ⌘ **Use your professional judgment and these criteria to evaluate information on the Internet.**
- ⌘ **Consult your health care professional before making any treatment decisions.**

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# HIV/AIDS Treatment Web Sites

This section contains a list of HIV/AIDS treatment Web sites, selected for quality and uniqueness. The main Web sites, listed alphabetically, appear in larger print. 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.

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## ✧ **AIDS 2000: XIII International AIDS Conference**

<http://www.aids2000.org>

The XIII International AIDS Conference was held in Durban, South Africa, July 9-4, 2000. The Conference theme was "Break the Silence." During these five days, South Africa played host to a worldwide audience as the conference addressed the global effects of HIV/AIDS. Treatment and care emerged as dominant discussion topics. Particular interest was on increasing access to expensive life-saving drugs for people living with HIV/AIDS in poor countries. Special emphasis was on sub-Saharan Africa, which encompasses some 47 countries and is often referred to as the epicenter of the global pandemic. It is estimated that 71% (24.5 million) of the 34.3 million people (worldwide) infected with HIV/AIDS reside in sub-Saharan Africa. The Conference Programmer can be searched for treatment topics by entering keywords.

For additional conference summary information, go to The Body at the address, <http://www.thebody.com/confs/durban/aids2000.html>.

For a searchable database of abstracts from the meeting, go to <http://www.iac2000.org>.

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## ✧ **AIDS 2001 Navigator**

<http://www.aids2001.org/intro.html>

The AIDS 2001 Navigator is a project initiated by the AIDS 2001 Foundation, a not-for-profit organization based in Sweden, and sponsored by Pharmacia&Upjohn. The purpose of the AIDS 2001 Navigator is to make use of new technology and the Internet to disseminate basic HIV/AIDS information to health care professionals.

The following links can be found at the top of the page in the orange header.

**Treatment of HIV Infection**

<http://www.aids2001.org/treat.html>

- Anti-Viral Treatment
- Gene Therapy
- Vaccines

**Diagnosis and Treatment of Complications**

<http://www.aids2001.org/diagnos.html>

- Opportunistic Infections
- Opportunistic Tumors

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❖ **AIDS 2002: XIV International AIDS Conference**

<http://www.aids2002.org>

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).” Unlike past conferences, additional sessions are planned to encourage dialogue among participants from both conference components.

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❖ **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](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, many items from 2001 are in the index. (See also the Periodicals section of this document.) 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, but no new articles have been posted from it on this Web site since 1999.

### **Treatment Sites**

[http://www.aac.org/hivhealth\\_treatment.htm](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](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](http://www.aac.org/hivhealth_takingpills.htm)

Information and practical tips on adherence

### **Health Challenges**

[http://www.aac.org/hivhealth\\_healthchall.htm](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.

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

<http://actis.org>

ACTIS provides resource information on federally and privately funded clinical trials for adults and children. Certain sections of the site can be viewed in either a general or technical format. The Food and Drug Administration, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the National Institute for Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID), and the National Library of Medicine sponsor this site. This is

probably the best site for government information on HIV/AIDS clinical trials. Some of the information on this site is in Spanish. You can hear information or leave a message in Spanish by calling the toll-free number, (800) 874-2572 (800-TRIALS-A), and selecting the Spanish option.

Click on the following links from the home page for treatment information.

### **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 either open or closed trials by age group, city, state/territory, country, conditions studied, trial category, phase, sponsoring agency, trial ID number, and other search terms. If you find a trial of interest, contact information is 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, 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 entry in this document).

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## ✧ **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. The emphasis is on inclusion of all HIV/AIDS resources rather than selectively reviewing a smaller number of items. Funding comes from Boehringer Ingelheim/Roxane Laboratories, the National Library of Medicine, 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/AIDS, STD and TB Prevention News Update* newsletter (see entry in the Periodicals section of this document). The content is also available in Spanish.

### **Key Topics**

- **Treatment**

This section of the AEGIS Web site includes several sources of information on treatment. Major headings are “Meds,” “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, protease inhibitor 1997 survey, 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) and “Traveling with HIV.” Most of this information is a few years old. The remaining headings are the following.

- Nutrition
- Supplements, Vitamins, Minerals, and Trace Elements
- Alternative Treatments

- Insurance Issues
- Discrimination
- Unapproved Substances

### **News Services**

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. The following specialized subheadings are included.

- [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); *AIDS Treatment News*; *AIDS Weekly Plus*; *CATIE News*; *FDA News*; Howard Hughes Medical Institute; iClinic (South Africa), NIAID News, Panos Institute, and UNAIDS.
- [News \(Mainstream\)](#)
- [Wire Services](#)

### **Publications**

The "Treatment" topic links to treatment-related periodicals 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. 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.

Links to treatment information include the following.

### **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; expanded access and compassionate use programs; and patient assistance programs.

### **the access project**

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

Provides information about access to government and pharmaceutical company-sponsored treatments nationwide, includes extensive drug index with descriptions, AIDS Drug Assistance Programs (ADAP) database, and a link to the Medicaid HIV Policy Project and Medicaid database.

### **simple facts sheets**

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

One-page fact sheets on treatments, tests, and conditions

### **Treatment Review**

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

The Network newsletters, *Treatment Review* and *Information Bulletin*, published six or more times a year and covering new treatments, clinical trials, and more. Links to the latest newsletters. Also in Spanish.

### **ADAP Monitoring Project**

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

The AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) Monitoring Project is a collaborative project of the National Association of State and Territory AIDS Directors, the Kaiser Family Foundation, and the Network to track ADAP funding and formularies; includes a clickable U.S. map identifying State Medicaid and ADAP programs.

### **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>

Summaries of monthly community HIV Treatment Forums that address emerging health care issues. Schedule of upcoming forums and summaries of past forums.

### **in the news**

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

Selectively collects late breaking stories and other news - updated a few times a month. Links to current news articles.

### **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

### **Links**

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

Other HIV/AIDS resources on the Web

### **HCV Co-infection**

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

This page contains a link to News and Links, which contains information on hepatitis.

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## ✧ **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.

The following links provide the most treatment information on this site.

### **News headlines** (under LITERATURE & NEWS)

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

This is a daily update of major news media headlines of interest to HIV/AIDS research scientists and includes a brief excerpt and a link to the media source.

### **Journal headlines** (under LITERATURE & NEWS)

<http://www.aidscience.com/Jheadlines2.asp>

This section features a list of top papers that address a significant advancement or proactive subject.

### **GLOBAL PROJECTS** (bottom of page)

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

This is a database of current and past vaccine trials, prevention projects, and other pertinent information.

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## ✧ **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.

Click on the following links from the home page for further information.

### **AIDS Treatment Data Network**

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

This page links to drug and term glossaries, clinical trials, fact sheets, Spanish resources, treatment reviews, and alternative treatments. (See entry for AIDS Treatment Data Network in this manual.)

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### **HIVPlus**

<http://www.aidsinfoyc.org/hivplus>

This magazine, published six times a year, 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.

### **HIV Treatment Registry Database**

<http://www.aegis.com/hivinfoweb/trd/submit.html>

An online database that anonymously collects HIV/AIDS treatment information. Individuals can search for profiles similar and/or different from their own to compare treatment regimes. This site is temporarily offline for lack of funding, but HIV InfoWeb hopes to post it again in the future (see entry for HIV InfoWeb in this document).

### **Treatment Action Group**

<http://aidsinfoyc.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.

### **ADAP Monitoring Project**

<http://aidsinfoyc.org/adap>

ADAP (AIDS Drug Assistance Program) 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. ADAP provides HIV/AIDS medications to low income, uninsured, or underinsured individuals. The site has a map of the 52 states and territories participating in the program. The map links to lists of covered drugs, eligibility requirements, and contacts in each state or territory.

### **ADAP Working Group** (updated May 2001)

<http://aidsinfoyc.org/awg>

The ADAP Working Group is a coalition of HIV/AIDS community-based organizations, biotechnology, pharmacy, and pharmaceutical research companies. This page contains a budget model of the cost of treatment. 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** (updated December 2000)

<http://aidsinfoyc.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 Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation.

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## ❖ AIDS MAP

<http://www.aidsmap.com>

The National AIDS Manual (NAM Publications), in collaboration with the British HIV Association, produces this site. NAM is a community-based organization located in the United Kingdom. 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 be searched in six languages. A medical

advisory panel reviews the materials on the site. This site is supported by the International HIV/AIDS Alliance, Crusaid, the London HIV Commissioners Consortium, the United Kingdom Department of Health, the British HIV Association, the European Commission, the Elton John AIDS Foundation, UNAIDS, and numerous pharmaceutical companies. Treatment information can be accessed from the following links on the home page.

**The Wheel - your personal pill planner** (©2000) (click on the wheel)

<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**

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

**Treatment links under "Questions about treatment?"**

Links include Starting Treatment, Changing Treatment, Body Fat Changes, Side Effects, Symptoms, and Check Out the Full Range (a searchable database of treatment information on the Web site).

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✧ **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. Treatment information can be found at the following links on the home page.

**LESSONS**

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

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

- [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** (updated November 2000)

<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

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✧ **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 issue number, date, or index (the editor's personal index). See entry under *AIDS Treatment News* in the Periodicals section of this document.

**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), the *Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA) HIV/AIDS Information Center Newsline* (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), and links to recent news stories published from the Doctor's Guide commercial Web site.

**Just the Facts**

<http://aids.org/FactSheets>

See entry for the New Mexico AIDS InfoNet in this document.

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## ✧ AIDSTRIALS and AIDS DRUGS

<http://actis.org>

The AIDSTRIALS (AIDS Clinical Trials) database was created by the Specialized Information Services Division of the National Library of Medicine (NLM). It provides information about AIDS-related studies of experimental treatments conducted under the Food and Drug Administration's (FDA's) investigational new drug (IND) regulations. AIDSTRIALS contains information about clinical trials of agents undergoing evaluation for use against AIDS, HIV infection, and AIDS-related opportunistic diseases such as pneumocystis carinii pneumonia (PCP). Detailed information is supplied by the National Institute for Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) for trials sponsored by the National Institutes of Health (NIH). Information about non-NIH-funded trials undergoing tests for efficacy is furnished by FDA. The companion database, AIDS DRUGS, contains descriptive information about the agents being tested in clinical trials. AIDSTRIALS and AIDS DRUGS are produced as part of the AIDS Clinical Trials Information Service (ACTIS). See entry for ACTIS in this document.

The information contained in AIDSTRIALS includes the title of the trial, the trial purpose, the agent being tested, the trial phase, diseases studied, patient inclusion and exclusion criteria, trial locations, and whether the trial is open or closed. Details of the treatment regimen may also be included. The file may be used to identify trials testing a particular agent or to find open trials in a specific location. If additional information is required about the trial, all records contain a telephone number for contacting the specific trial site or sponsor. If additional information about the agent being tested is required, the AIDS DRUGS database may be searched using either the drug name, accession number contained in the trial record, or the number of the protocol. AIDS DRUGS may be searched to find out about a new drug, and then AIDSTRIALS may be accessed to search for trials using that drug.

After a search of AIDSTRIALS, a user may switch to the AIDS DRUGS database and view descriptive information about the agent used in the clinical trial, such as synonyms for the name including trade names, the standard chemical name, pharmacology, contraindications, adverse reactions, manufacturer, and physical/chemical properties such as molecular composition, formula, and weight. It is easy to coordinate searches between databases since the Substance Identification number from AIDS DRUGS is present in the AIDSTRIALS record and the protocol numbers from AIDSTRIALS are carried in AIDS DRUGS. As new trials are added to AIDSTRIALS, information is compiled about the agents and records are added to AIDS DRUGS.

AIDSTRIALS and AIDS DRUGS are available free of charge, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Interested users can access these databases through the AIDS Clinical Trials Information Service Web site (<http://actis.org>) by clicking on "Find a Clinical Trial" or "Find Drug Information." The non-technical descriptions of the clinical trials are also in Spanish.

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## ✧ The Alternative Medicine Home Page

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

The Alternative Medicine Home page is a jumpstation for sources of information on unconventional, unorthodox, unproven, alternative, complementary, innovative, and integrative therapies. Links at the top of the home page include the following.

## **AIDS & HIV**

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

- [AIDS Links Index](#) - From the AIDS Research Information Center (ARIC); contains “Alternative Therapies (and Other Theories),” a starting point for specific alternative therapies
- [AIDS Manual: Alternative Therapies - HIV/AIDS Information: Putting the Pieces Together Workshop Manual](#), Allegheny University of the Health Sciences, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- [AIDS Quackery - 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
- [Alternative Treatments](#) - From the AEGIS Web site
- [The Alternative Treatments Page](#) - Contains a review of the current literature on alternative therapies from the AIDS Treatment Data Network
- [Doc Misha’s Chinese Medicine HIV Wellness Center](#)
- [The Florida AIDS Health Fraud Task Force](#) - Protects 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
- [Unconventional Therapies \(reports, articles and claims\)](#) - From the Poiesis Centre Exodus Foundation, Milan, Italy
- [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 voluntary contributions from individuals, foundations, and corporations.

The link described below is on the left side of the page.

### **Treatment Directory**

<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 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.

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## ✧ **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. The BUARC Web site provides information on the scientific activities in progress, which include the following.

### **Bibliography of Selected Works (under "Bastyr University AIDS Research Center")**

<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

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## ✧ **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. Users may want to click on [Comprehensive Site Map](#) to see the 250 topic areas. Links on the home page include the following.

### **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. Topics include the following.

- [Benefits, Insurance, and Paying for Health Care](#)
- [Drug Resistance, Fatigue and Anemia](#)
- [General Treatment Strategies \(also in Spanish\)](#)
- [Hepatitis and HIV Co-Infection](#)
- [AIDS-Related Cancers](#)
- [Management of Side Effects of HIV Treatment](#)
- [Mental Health and HIV](#)
- [Mixed-HIV-Status Couples](#)
- [Opportunistic Infections](#)
- [Oral Health and HIV](#)
- [Pregnancy, Children, and HIV](#)
- [Safe Sex, Prevention and Transmission](#)

- [Simplifying Treatment Schedules](#)
- [Spiritual Support](#)
- [Tratamientos](#)
- [Viral Load](#)
- [Wasting, Diet, Nutrition and Exercise](#)
- [Women and HIV](#)
- [Workplace Issues](#)

### **Treatment**

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

Extensive list of links on the 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
- [Treatment Strategies](#) - Treatment guidelines, treatment news, adherence to regimens, drug interactions, drug resistance, changing/stopping treatment, and regimens when medications fail
- [Viral Load Testing](#)
- [Women-Specific Treatment Issues](#)
- [Treatment for Pregnancy and Newborns](#)
- [Pediatric Treatment Issues](#)
- [Antiviral Medications](#) - An extensive list, arranged by type of drug
- [Side Effects and Opportunistic Infections](#) - An extensive list, arranged by condition
- [Research and Experimental Drugs](#) - An extensive list, includes clinical trials, vaccines, and FDA approved drugs
- [Alternative, Complementary, and Holistic Therapies](#) - Includes Yoga, nutrition, Chinese medicine, and frauds
- [Treatment Periodicals](#) - A list of various newsletters (see also Periodicals section of this document)
- [Medical Dictionaries and Databases](#)

### **Quality of Life**

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

Links related to treatment include the following.

- [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

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## ✧ Canadian HIV Trials Network

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

The Canadian HIV Trials Network (CTN) 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. The Network is comprised of a national headquarters in Vancouver, six regional offices in five regions, and over two dozen satellite sites. Information is available in English and French. Links on the home page include the following.

### **Clinical Trials**

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

- [Enrolling CTN Trials](#) - Canadian clinical AIDS studies
- [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. Subjects related to treatment include the following.

- [Research](#)
- [Trial and Treatment Information](#)
- [Community Groups](#)
- [Newsletter and Journals](#)
- [Reference Sites](#)
- [International Sites](#)

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## ✧ 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 Highly Active Anti-retroviral Therapy (HAART), HIV in the brain, and HIV and the central nervous system.

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## ✧ 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. Links include the following:

- [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 Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR)*, fact sheets, and press releases. Updates are available daily by e-mail. See entry in Periodicals section of this document.
- [Drug Interactions](#)
- [Drug Treatment Information](#) and [General Treatment Information](#) - Both of these links connect to the HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service (ATIS) treatment page.
- [HIV Occupational Exposure and Management](#) - Fact sheets and publications from the CDC Division of Healthcare Quality Promotion
- [HIV Postexposure Prophylaxis Registry Final Report](#) - 1999 report on the results of health care workers exposed to HIV who underwent prophylaxis treatment
- [Neurologic Complications](#) - Links to the ATIS page
- [National Nonoccupational HIV Postexposure Prophylaxis Registry](#) - Clinicians can enter data about patients who have received prophylaxis treatment. Sponsored by CDC and John Snow, Inc.
- [Patients' Guide to HIV Medicines and Guidelines for Their Use](#) - A National Minority AIDS Council publication, which includes the February 5, 2001 update of the *Guidelines for the Use of Antiretroviral Agents in HIV-Infected Adults and Adolescents*
- [Treatment Information: HIV and Women](#) - Links to the ATIS page

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## ✧ CenterWatch Clinical Trials Listing Service

<http://www.centerwatch.com>

CenterWatch is a 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. Detailed profiles of more than 150 clinical research centers are listed. CenterWatch is a division of the Medical Economics Company.

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## ✧ **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 2001, and will be included on this site. As new features and designs are developed, they will be incorporated into *ClinicalTrials.gov*. Treatment resource links on the home page include the following.

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

- [MEDLINEplus](#) - U.S. NLM consumer/patient healthcare information on all health topics, including HIV/AIDS (see entry in this document); 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

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## ✧ **Connecting People and Resources Manual**

<http://www.orau.gov/nlmtrng/ConnPR/contents2.htm>

The *Connecting People and Resources* manual shows users how to use the National Library of Medicine's free user-friendly World Wide Web search interfaces to search the following databases: PubMed (AIDS subset of MEDLINE, containing journal article citations and abstracts); AIDSTRIALS (descriptions and contact information for clinical trials); AIDSDRUGS (chemical and medical information on drugs); and DIRLINE® (a directory of health information organizations) (see entries in this document for these databases). An overview of other quality HIV/AIDS information resources on the Internet is included. This manual also focuses on HIV/AIDS statistics, specifically in the African-American and Latino communities, including prevention, transmission, and disease progression, as well as how to locate HIV/AIDS information and services provided by government agencies and private organizations. Sponsored by NLM's Specialized Information Services Division. Produced by the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education's Medical Education and Outreach Program. Available in HTML and PDF. Last updated November 21, 1999. Plans for next update are in late 2001.

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## ✧ **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 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.

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## ✧ **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.

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## ✧ **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. Links on the home page include:

### **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.

### **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.

### **Clinical Trials and Drug Development**

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

Information on FDA's "Fast Track Drug Development Program," "Expanded Access and Expedited Approval of New Therapies Related to HIV/AIDS," "Enrollment of Women in HIV/AIDS 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)  
<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.

### **HIV/AIDS Articles and Brochures**

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

Includes some articles on treatment - only a few items are current

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## ✧ **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 more than 9,500 men, women, and children with AIDS and their families in New York City annually, as well as education and advocacy for hundreds of thousands nationwide. Some information is available in Spanish.

### **LIVING WITH HIV**

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

Links include the following.

- [Treatment](#)
- [Government Insurance & Benefits](#)
- [Emotional 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 Services

<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.

### **Educating Providers of HIV/AIDS Care**

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

Providers of HIV/AIDS care include many disciplines, including physicians, nurses, physician assistants, dentists, licensed mental health professionals, case managers, nutritionists, home care providers, substance abuse treatment counselors, rehabilitation therapists, and others. Those providers 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 that will allow them to better serve their clients. Links include:

- [AIDS Education and Training Centers \(AETC\) Program](#) - A network of 14 regional centers that conduct targeted, multidisciplinary education and training for health care providers - includes links to AETC Web sites
- [Training Calendar](#) - Lists times and places of major training (including distance-learning events) sponsored by AETCs and by other private and public entities
- [National HIV/AIDS Clinicians' Consultation Center](#) - Gives background and contact information for their Warmline telephone consultation service (for clinicians only) and for PEpline, a hotline for post-exposure prophylaxis
- [Clinical Guidelines](#) - Lists and provides links to the several HIV/AIDS treatment guidelines issued
- [Targeted Provider Education Demonstration \(TPED\)](#) - 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
- [Provider Education & Training Resources](#) - This directory is a reference guide to federally funded HIV/AIDS-related provider education and training opportunities available throughout the United States, Puerto Rico, and U.S. Territories.
- [Funding Opportunities](#) - Information on the grant processes, grant announcements for the CARE Act program, links to HRSA grants and other federal grants management information, and announcements of grant availability

### **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. Links include the following.

- [CARE Act Services](#) - Briefly describes the range of medical and support services provided under the various CARE Act programs

- 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
- AIDS Drug Assistance Programs (ADAP) - Contains information about ADAP and directs you to the State ADAP Contacts
- Qualifying for CARE ACT Services - Gives general information about who the CARE Act is intended to serve, and advises on who to ask at local and state levels to find out whether you qualify for care
- Medicaid CARE Act Contacts - Provides information about HIV/AIDS care under State Medicaid programs
- Consumer Guides for Getting Health Insurance - Provides links to online health insurance guides for each state and the District of Columbia

### **A Guide to the Clinical Care of Women with HIV**

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

Women are one of the fastest growing segments of the HIV/AIDS population. This comprehensive manual addresses the primary care needs unique to women living with HIV/AIDS. It is published annually by the Ryan White Care Act program of HRSA. 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

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## ❖ HIV InfoWeb

<http://www.infoweb.org>

NOTE: As of August 2001, this site is temporarily offline because of lack of funding. However, it may be reactivated later in the year. The text below describes the site as it was in October 2000.

HIV InfoWeb is a nonprofit, online library service containing HIV- and AIDS-related information. Online services are maintained by AEGIS. This site contains a search function to search all the resources on the site. Treatment links on the home page include the following.

### **Treatment Related**

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

This page contains links to treatment resources, including:

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

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## ❖ 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 MERCK, Agouron, Roche, Stempel Foundation, Ortho Biotech, Boehringer-Ingelheim, and GlaxoSmithKline. This is an information-dense site created primarily for clinicians. Links on the home page include the following.

**Knowledge Base** (button at top of page)

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

## **Medical** (button at top of page)

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

- [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 guidelines are on the ATIS Web site (see entry in this document).
- [Antiretroviral Drug Database](#) - Antiretroviral drug doses, structures, formulations, adverse effects, and interactions - includes links to charts and tables of drugs
- [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 August 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](#) - Scroll up the page to find a list of many HIV/AIDS clinical trials databases and lists, then scroll down the page to see lists of multi-center clinical research groups, research centers, and clinical research policy.
- [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](#) - 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

<http://hivaidsdpg.org>

The HIV/AIDS Dietetic Practice Group (DPG) 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. Links on the home page include the following.

### **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

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## ✧ HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service (ATIS)

<http://www.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 Health Care Financing Administration/The Medicare, Medicaid, and SCHIP Agency; 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. Links on the home page include the following.

### **WHAT'S NEW**

Links to press releases and the ATIS and ACTIS publications list (in English and Spanish)

### **TREATMENT GUIDELINES**

Current U.S. PHS guidelines: “Adult and Adolescent,” “Pediatric,” “Perinatal,” “Health-Care Worker Exposure,” “Nonoccupational Exposure Considerations,” “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**

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**

Contains links to easy-to-read descriptions of additional treatment information on the following topics.

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

**Español** - HIV/AIDS information and publications in Spanish

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## ✧ 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](http://www.hivandhepatitis.com/hiv_aids.html)

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

- **News Stories**  
[http://www.hivandhepatitis.com/hiv\\_rec\\_new.html](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](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\\_yacc.html](http://www.hivandhepatitis.com/hiv_yacc.html)  
News reports and press releases
- **HIV/HBV Co-Infection**  
[http://www.hivandhepatitis.com/hiv\\_hbv\\_co\\_inf.html](http://www.hivandhepatitis.com/hiv_hbv_co_inf.html)  
News stories
- **HIV/HCV Co-Infection**  
[http://www.hivandhepatitis.com/hiv\\_hcv\\_co\\_inf.html](http://www.hivandhepatitis.com/hiv_hcv_co_inf.html)  
News stories
- **Internet Conference Reports**  
[http://www.hivandhepatitis.com/hiv\\_int\\_con.html](http://www.hivandhepatitis.com/hiv_int_con.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. Purpose is to provide rapid access to new scientific data.
- **Lipodystrophy and Metabolic Complications**  
[http://www.hivandhepatitis.com/hiv\\_and\\_aids/lipo/lipo1.html](http://www.hivandhepatitis.com/hiv_and_aids/lipo/lipo1.html)  
Contains news, reports, treatment guidelines, and summaries of conference presentations

- Teleconferences  
[http://www.hivandhepatitis.com/hiv\\_telec.html](http://www.hivandhepatitis.com/hiv_telec.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](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.

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## ✧ **hivcme.com**

<http://www.hivcme.com/index.html>

“*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. 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.

### **Pediatric and Adolescent HIV**

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

### **Women and HIV**

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

### **Immune Reconstruction**

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

### **Incarcerated Populations**

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

### **General HIV**

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

In addition, there is a section of the home page called “**What’s new at hivcme.com**” with daily news summaries on HIV treatment issues for clinicians. Links are provided to publications.

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## ✧ 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 Bristol-Myers Squibb Immunology, Colgate Oral Pharmaceuticals, and the Grady Health System.

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## ✧ 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.

**HIV FITNESS LISTSERV**

**HIV FITNESS NEWSLETTER**

**HAVE A QUESTION? ASK A PRO!**

**HANDOUTS**

**LINKS**

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

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## ✧ 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.

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## ✧ 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

### **Food and Nutrition Information Center**

<http://www.nal.usda.gov/fnic>

On this page, click on **Topics A to Z**; then, click on [AIDS/HIV](#) for links to information about nutrition and HIV.

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## ✧ **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. The forum also can be accessed in Portuguese. Archives to previous forums are linked from this page.

### **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 information on AIDS Conferences/Events, Clinical Trials, and Related Links.

### **Managed Care**

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

This page refers 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

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## ✧ **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 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 how to obtain the guidelines. The guidelines are released by groups, including 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 2001 on HIV/AIDS; "Latest List" of *Archives* specialty journal articles from 2001; and abstracts and commentaries on major HIV/AIDS articles published in 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 February 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.

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## ✧ **Medem Medical Library**

[http://www.medem.com/MedLB/medlib\\_entry.cfm](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.

### **HIV/AIDS**

Contains links to information on the following topics.

- [Living With HIV](#)
- [Women and HIV Infection](#)
- [Opportunistic Infections in the HIV-Positive](#)
- [Pediatric AIDS](#)
- [Treatment Options](#)
- [The Science of HIV/AIDS](#)

- [Future Issues in HIV/AIDS](#)
  - [Medical News](#)
  - [Medical Journals/Professional Resources](#)
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## ✧ **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.

Links on the home page include the following.

### **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>
- **AIDS and Infections** (under "A" - also linked from AIDS page)  
<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>
- **AIDS--Living with AIDS** (under "A" - also linked from AIDS page)  
<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/aidslivingwithaids.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

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## ✧ **Medscape® HIV/AIDS**

<http://www.medscape.com/Home/Topics/Aids/AIDS.html>

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, spotlight on CME courses concerning HIV/AIDS, a link to the Medscape eJournal on HIV/AIDS, a featured Web site, and news from the International AIDS Society. This is a commercial site, but it is included in this guide because it does have 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 home page include the following.

### **News**

<http://www.medscape.com/Home/Topics/AIDS/directories/dir-AIDS.News.html>

Recent HIV/AIDS news from Reuters Health and MedscapeWire (updated often) and links to the *CDC National Center for HIV, STD and TB Prevention News Update* and the *Kaiser Daily HIV/AIDS Report* (see also separate entries in the Periodicals section of this document)

### **Clinical Updates**

<http://www.medscape.com/Home/Topics/AIDS/directories/dir-AIDS.TreatUpdate.html>

Continuing Medical Education (CME) courses, articles, and expert columns

### **Clinical Management**

<http://www.medscape.com/Home/Topics/AIDS/directories/dir-AIDS.ClinMgmt.html>

CME courses and articles

### **Resource Centers**

<http://www.medscape.com/Home/Topics/AIDS/directories/dir-AIDS.RCIndex.html>

News and information on Clinical Pharmacology of HIV Infection, Dyslipidemia and Fat Maldistribution Associated with Antiretroviral Therapy, Gene Therapy, Hepatitis C, HIV in Developing Countries, Medical Privacy, Multicultural Health, Pregnancy and Vertical HIV Transmission, and Therapeutic Drug Monitoring in HIV Infection.

### **Practice Guidelines**

<http://www.medscape.com/Home/Topics/AIDS/directories/dir-AIDS.PracticeGuide.html>

A list of HIV/AIDS treatment guidelines from DHHS and other organizations

### **Conference Coverage**

<http://www.medscape.com/Home/Topics/AIDS/directories/dir-AIDS.ConfSummaries.html>

Covers many conferences and information is recent

### **Conference Schedules**

<http://www.medscape.com/Home/Topics/AIDS/directories/dir-AIDS.ConfSchedules.html>

From the recent to 2003

### **CME Center**

<http://www.medscape.com/Home/Topics/AIDS/directories/dir-AIDS.CMECenter.html>

Free CME courses

### **Journal Room**

<http://www.medscape.com/Home/Topics/AIDS/directories/dir-AIDS.JournalRoom.html>

Summaries and analyses of articles on HIV/AIDS from the journals, *Annals of Internal Medicine*, *Journal of the American Medical Association*, *Journal of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndromes*, *Journal of Infectious Diseases*, *Lancet*, and *New England Journal of Medicine* - updated twice per month

### **Exam Room**

<http://www.medscape.com/Home/Topics/AIDS/directories/dir-AIDS.ExamRoom.cfm>

Case studies, clinical information, and an interactive program called HIV/AIDS Clinical Calculator to screen for drug interactions

### **Library**

<http://www.medscape.com/Home/Topics/AIDS/directories/dir-AIDS.Library.html>

Contains Medscape's clinical textbook on HIV/AIDS, a dictionary of medical terms, a physician's directory, Cochrane Abstracts (reviews of clinical trials), clinical trials resources, and hyperlinked keywords to information on Medscape on a variety of HIV/AIDS topics

### **Patient Resources**

<http://www.medscape.com/Home/Topics/AIDS/directories/dir-AIDS.Patient.html>

A link to CBSHealthWatch, a free service of the CBS television network and Medscape that contains information written for patients on a variety of topics including HIV/AIDS - registration is required to access all site information

### **Managed Care**

<http://www.medscape.com/Home/Topics/AIDS/directories/dir-AIDS.ManagedCare.html>

CME activities and information on managed care and HIV/AIDS

### **AIDS Links**

<http://www.medscape.com/Home/Topics/AIDS/directories/dir-AIDS.Links.html>

These links have been reviewed before inclusion. Only those sites offering a significant amount of clinically relevant HIV/AIDS material are considered. Readers can recommend a site to be reviewed.

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

<http://www.natap.org>

NATAP is a nonprofit organization dedicated to educating the diverse communities affected by HIV on the latest HIV 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. Links from the home page include the following.

### **NEWSLETTERS**

Contains *NATAP Reports*, which provide HIV/AIDS treatment information and research from the NATAP New York University Forum and other conferences - appears to be published once a year

### **CONFERENCE REPORTS**

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 care

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## ✧ **National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine**

<http://nam.nih.gov>

The National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine (NCCAM) 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.

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## ✧ **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.

The SHORTCUTS menu on the home page includes the following links.

**Bulletin** - *The Bulletin*, a new monthly 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. Only the Winter 2001 issue is on the site now.

### **New PEP Guidelines**

### **Treatment Guidelines**

**Resistance Testing 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.

Other links on the home page include the following.

### **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.

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

[http://www.ucsf.edu/hivcntr/assets/PDF\\_Files/Update2001.pdf](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.

### **A Pilot Resistance Testing Consultation Service for California ADAP Clinicians**

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

Contains clinical case studies concerning resistance testing.

### **HIV Clinical Information**

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

Contains links to the following.

- [Treatment of AIDS and HIV-Related Conditions: 2001](#) (see above)
- [Antiretroviral Therapy Guidelines and Treatment Protocols](#)
- [PEP Resources](#) - Post-Exposure Prophylaxis Guidelines, Protocols, and Resources
- [Resistance Testing Panel Reports](#)
- [HIV Pharmacist Central](#) - contains a drug information chart called "Antiretroviral Drugs: Dosages, Adverse Reactions, and Interaction Potential," updated June 2001. It is compiled by the staff of the National HIV Telephone Consultation Service (Warmline) staff.

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## ❖ **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 (1) fundamental basic research, (2) discovery and development of therapies for HIV infection and its complications, and (3) discovery and development of vaccines and other prevention strategies.

Links from the home page include the following.

### **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/default.htm>

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

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## ✧ 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 the OAR to plan, coordinate, evaluate, and fund all NIH AIDS research. The 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](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

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## ✧ 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®**

<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.

### **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®**

<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®**

<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. See also separate entry in this document.

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## ✧ **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. Some of the information is not current. NMAC has many useful publications, but most of them are not posted on the Web site.

### **NMAC Programs**

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

Links include the following.

#### **Treatment**

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

The NMAC Treatment Education, Training, and Advocacy Department organizes regional training on treatment issues and provides technical assistance to community-based organizations on treatment education for clients and service providers. It is also conducting a national needs assessment on treatment issues in communities of color and organizing a new national training project for treatment issues in prisons. Additional links on this page include the following.

- **Conferences**

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

Contains information on NMAC's yearly National AIDS Treatment Advocates Forum meeting and NMAC's Regional Meetings

- **Publications**

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

Contains a few publications, including the following.

- *Patients' Guide to HIV Medicines and Guidelines for Their Use* - Produced by NMAC and updated to include the February 2001 update of the *Guidelines for the Use of Antiretroviral Agents in the HIV-Infected Adults and Adolescents*; available in English, Spanish, and French; in PDF format
- *Lipo What? A Patient's Guide to Body Shape Changes and Lipid Problems Associated with HIV* - Produced by NMAC; in PDF format
- Treatment Alert! - Latest issue of NMAC's newsletter; in English and Spanish

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## ✧ **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.

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## ✧ **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.

**Resources on Treatment and Support** (click on Resources by Topic button on the home page, then click on Treatment and Support)

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

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

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](http://www.cdcnpin.org/rellinks_4.htm#treatment)

This is the "Treatment and Care" link section from a 40-page 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 30 links to sites with treatment information on HIV/AIDS, including the usual treatment sites, alternative treatments, hepatitis, opportunistic infections, viatical settlements, and yoga.

- [Publications about Treatment and Support](http://www.cdcnpin.org/pubs/start.htm)  
<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). 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.

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## ✧ **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.aidsinonet.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.

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## ✧ **Pediatric AIDS Clinical Trials Group**

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

The Pediatric AIDS Clinical Trials Group (PACTG) 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.

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## ✧ Physicians Research Network (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 home page contains links to **PRN Reports** (reports on HIV/AIDS treatment), **PRN Notebook Online™** (their newsletter on HIV/AIDS treatment), **PRN News Capsules** (current news Reports), and **Provider Resources**.

Links under **Provider Resources** include the following.

- **PRN's Clinical Care Algorithm for Chronic HBV Infection** (updated 2001)
- **PI and NNRTI Effect on Drug Level Chart** (updated January 2001)
- **PI and Other Drugs - Interaction Chart** (updated June 2001)
- **Interactions Between Protease Inhibitors - Effect of Drug on Levels ( AUC ) / Dose** (updated June 2001)
- **NRTIs, NNRTIs and Other Drugs Interaction Chart** (updated June 2001)

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## ✧ 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. Links on the home page include the following.

### **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. Subject headings include the following.

- **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 July 2001)  
<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.
  - Dealing with Drug Side Effects (updated April 2001)  
<http://www.projectinform.org/fs/sideeffects.html>
- Opportunistic Infections and Conditions - 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.
- Immune Restoration - Materials related to immune-based therapies
- Women-specific topics
- Special Topics - Materials on information that does not fit the above categories
- Public Policy

Scroll further down the page for links to Newsletters, which include the following. (See also separate entries in the Periodicals section of this document.)

- 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.

### **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.

### **Women's Information**

[http://www.projectinform.org/pub/ww\\_index.html](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.

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## ✧ 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.

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## ✧ 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 organization was founded in 1982. *The Bulletin of Experimental Treatment for AIDS (BETA)* and *Treatment Flash* are treatment journals 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 information can be accessed from the following links on the Treatment page.

### 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 150 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. (See also separate entries in the Periodicals section of this document.)
  - Summary Sheets on new HIV treatment strategies  
<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 should be published here later in 2001.
  - Glossary of 2000+ HIV-AIDS-Related Terms  
<http://www.sfaf.org/treatment/glossary>
  - *Bulletin of Experimental Treatments for AIDS*  
<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](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](http://www.sfaf.org/aboutaids/links/links_treatment.html)

An annotated list of treatment Web sites
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## ✧ sci.med.aids FAQ

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

(See also entry in E-mail section of this document.)

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 may contain information that is not current.

Information on this page is divided into seven sections; the treatment and social services sections are described below.

#### **Section 4. Treatment options**

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

Treatment topics covered include:

- [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?](#)

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### ✧ **Social Security Administration (SSA)**

<http://www.ssa.gov>

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

#### **Disability**

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

Contains links to information on how to apply for Social Security disability benefits and how to evaluate disabilities

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### ✧ **The University of North Carolina AIDS Clinical Trials Unit**

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

The University of North Carolina AIDS Clinical Trials 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

program was established in 1987. 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.

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## ✧ **Veterans Administration AIDS Information Center**

<http://vhaaidsinfo.cio.med.va.gov/aidsctr>

The AIDS Service Division 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 Center Fact Sheet: How to Receive Communications from the Center**

<http://vhaaidsinfo.cio.med.va.gov/aidsctr/AIC-FactSheet.doc>

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

**AIDS Information Newsletter**

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

Newsletters from 1993 to October 2000 are available.

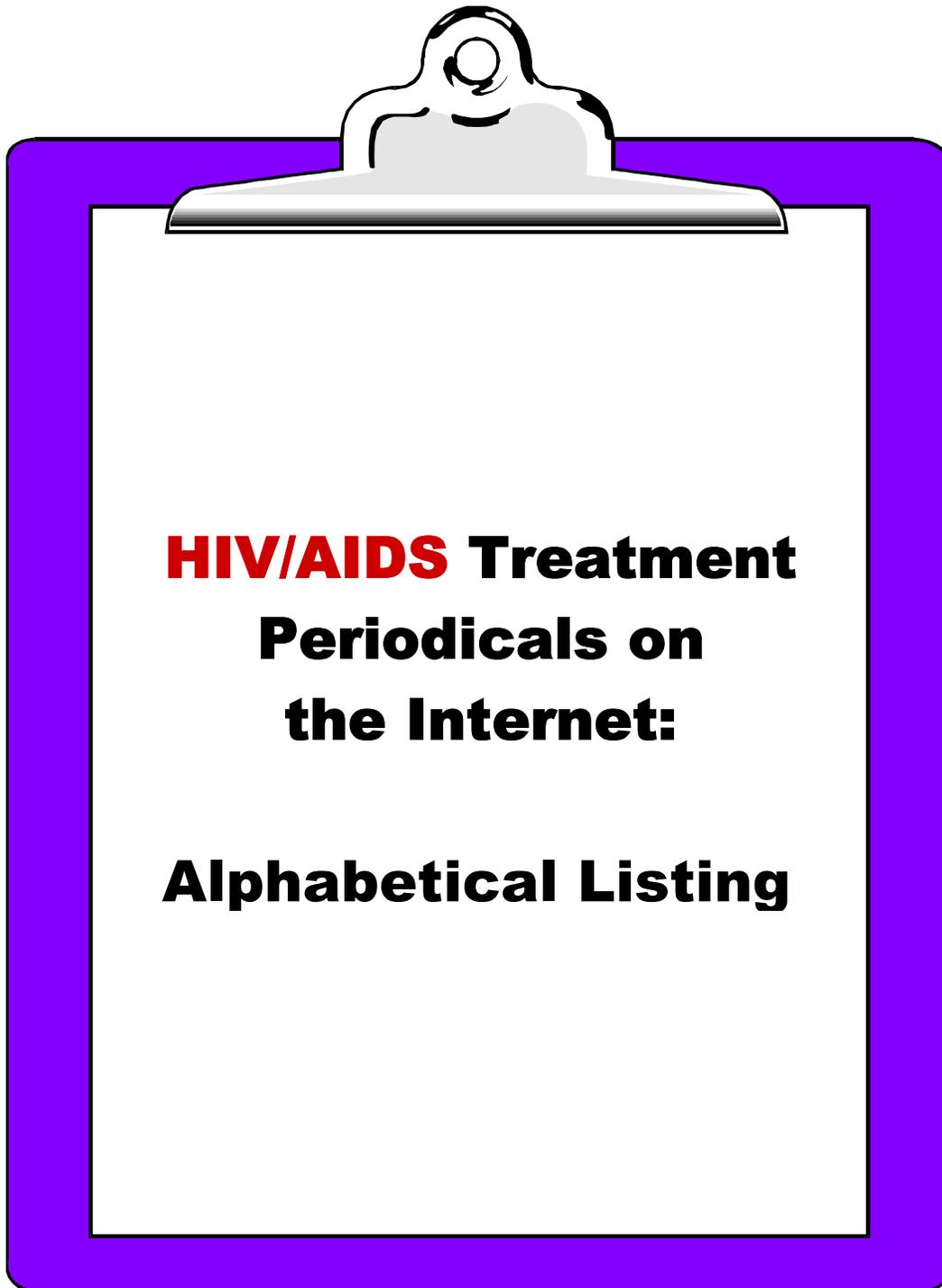
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## ✧ **Veterans Administration (VA) AIDS Service**

<http://vhaaidsinfo.cio.med.va.gov/aidservice>

The VA AIDS Service is a division of the Department of Veterans Affairs. The program is responsible for planning, coordinating, implementing, and evaluating HIV/AIDS clinical programs for all of the VA health care system. Their mission is to provide the highest quality of care to VA patients with HIV infection. The program staff has broad expertise in the VA medical system and in HIV care and research. The program disseminates information through their biweekly newsletter, *AIDS News Service*.





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# HIV/AIDS Treatment Periodicals on the Internet: Alphabetical Listing

## ***AIDS***

<http://www.aidsonline.com>

*AIDS* is the official journal of the International AIDS Society, the nonprofit organization that sponsors the biennial International AIDS Conference. It is a technical publication written for clinicians and researchers. The full text of articles is available in PDF format.

## ***AIDScience***

<http://www.aidsscience.com/Articles.asp>

*AIDScience* is published three times each month by the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS). This peer-reviewed publication provides researchers current information on AIDS prevention and vaccine development. An optional e-mail alert service provides notification when the weekly issues are published online. An archive of previous issues is available.

## ***AIDS Treatment News***

<http://www.thebody.com/atn/atnix.html>

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

Published twice monthly, *AIDS Treatment News* reports on experimental and standard treatments, especially those available now. The staff interviews physicians, scientists, other health professionals, and persons with AIDS or HIV; they also collect information from meetings and conferences, medical journals, and computer databases. They report on long-term survivors who have usually tried many different treatments and found combinations that work for them. *AIDS Treatment News* does not recommend particular therapies, but seeks to increase the options available. *AIDS Treatment News* is supported by tax-deductible contributions and subscriptions to the print edition; the Internet edition is free.

## ***AIDS Treatment Update***

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

*AIDS Treatment Update* is published monthly by the National AIDS Manual (NAM) Publications. The newsletter contains reports on treatment choices, conference summaries, clinical trial results, and complementary therapies. A medical advisory panel of clinicians and researchers reviews the publication. Subscriptions are free to individuals affected by HIV.

### ***Being Alive Newsletter***

<http://www.beingalivela.org/newsletter.html>

*Being Alive* works in consortia with Bienestar, The Black Gay and Lesbian Leadership Forum, and The Gay and Lesbian Center to provide peer support services to people of color. The organization also works closely with AIDS Healthcare Foundation, AltaMed in East Los Angeles, and with the Los Angeles County/University of Southern California (LAC/USC) Medical Center. This monthly treatment newsletter is available in English and Spanish.

### ***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 (January, April, July, and October) by the Treatment Education and Support Unit of the San Francisco AIDS Foundation. Contributing writers to *BETA* include well known AIDS researchers and clinicians, as well as AIDS community advocates and activists. Each issue of *BETA* includes "News Briefs," "Research Notes," "Women and HIV/AIDS," a listing of open clinical trials, and an extensive glossary of terms. Also available in Spanish.

### ***Body Positive Magazine***

<http://www.thebody.com/bp/bpix.html#magazine>

This is a monthly magazine published by Body Positive, Inc., a nonprofit organization based in New York. *Body Positive* is a resource for HIV-infected and -affected people across the United States and abroad.

### ***The Bulletin***

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

*The Bulletin* is a new monthly publication of the National HIV/AIDS Clinicians' Consultation Center (NCCC) (see separate entry in the Web site section of this document). Information is organized as clinical questions and corresponding recommendations from the NCCC faculty. The questions are drawn from Warmline calls, PEpline calls, and the HIV Resistance Testing Consultation Panel, all services of the NCCC. Only the Winter 2001 issue is on the site now.

### ***CDC National Center for HIV, STD and TB Prevention News Update***

<http://www.cdcnpin.org/news/prevnews.htm>

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) National Center for HIV, STD and TB Prevention provides the daily *Prevention News Update* as a public service. This newsletter provides synopses of key scientific articles and lay media reports on HIV/AIDS, other sexually transmitted diseases, and tuberculosis. Additionally, it includes information from CDC and other government agencies, such as background on *Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report* (MMWR) articles, fact sheets, press releases, and announcements. This newsletter can also be received daily via e-mail.

## ***CRIA Update from the Community Research Initiative on AIDS***

[http://www.criany.org/treatment/cria\\_a.treat.up.html](http://www.criany.org/treatment/cria_a.treat.up.html)

This is a newsletter published quarterly by the Community Research Initiative on AIDS, a nonprofit, community-based AIDS research and treatment education center in New York.

## ***FOCUS: A Guide to AIDS Research and Counseling***

<http://www.ucsf-ahp.org/FOCUS.html>

*FOCUS* is a monthly publication of the AIDS Health Project, which is affiliated with the University of California San Francisco. It is targeted for mental health providers who treat people with HIV.

## ***GMHC Treatment Issues***

<http://www.thebody.com/gmhc/gmhcix.html>

Gay Men's Health Crisis (GMHC), an AIDS service, education, and advocacy organization based in New York, publishes this monthly periodical, *Treatment Issues*, for those affected by HIV/AIDS.

## ***HIV Fitness Newsletter***

<http://www.hivfitness.org>

Published approximately four times a year, *HIV Fitness Newsletter* contains reports on advancements in the study of fitness for people living with HIV/AIDS. Back issues are available.

## ***HIV NEWSLINE***

<http://www.hivnewsline.com>

*HIV NEWSLINE* provides physicians and other healthcare professionals with concise updates on recent advances in the treatment of HIV disease and opportunistic infections. The AIDS Program at San Francisco General Hospital sponsors this bimonthly publication.

## ***HIVandHepatitis.com***

<http://www.hivandhepatitis.com>

*HIVandHepatitis.com* is published by HIV and Hepatitis Treatment Advocates, Inc. in San Francisco. There is no mention on the Web site to indicate how often the publication is updated, but on the home page is a "This Week's News" section that seems to be current. The goals of *HIVandHepatitis.com* are to improve quality of life, slow disease progression, and increase survival time among the hundreds of millions of people living with HIV, hepatitis B, or hepatitis C. A medical doctor reviews all items submitted for publication. Link buttons at the top of the page connect to "HIV Treatments," "Hepatitis B," "Hepatitis C," "About Us," and a search engine for the site. You can sign up on the Web site to receive weekly e-mail updates of top treatment news stories, feature articles, questions and answers, and announcements of interest.

## ***HIVplus***

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

*HIV Plus* is a bimonthly publication covering the latest developments in HIV research and treatment. The site is a part of [aidsinfonyc.org](http://aidsinfonyc.org). The last issue on the Web site is December - January 2001.

### ***The Hopkins HIV Report***

[http://www.hopkins-aids.edu/publications/report/report\\_toc.html](http://www.hopkins-aids.edu/publications/report/report_toc.html)

*The Hopkins HIV Report* is a bimonthly HIV/AIDS care newsletter for health care professionals, written by faculty of the Johns Hopkins University who practice in the Johns Hopkins AIDS Service. The newsletter is available in both HTML and PDF formats.

### ***IAPAC Monthly***

**Formerly the *Journal of the International Association of Physicians in AIDS Care***

[http://www.iapac.org/about/j\\_articles.html](http://www.iapac.org/about/j_articles.html)

This monthly publication, provides comprehensive coverage of international AIDS conferences, retrospective reports on the development of key AIDS drugs, current standards of practice on the management of HIV disease, and discussions of political, social, and ethical dimensions of HIV. It is published by the International Association of Physicians in AIDS Care (IAPAC) and is designed to educate physicians and health care professionals.

### ***Information Bulletin***

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

First published in September 1998 by the AIDS Treatment Data Network, the purpose of *Information Bulletin* is to provide brief, user-friendly, accurate, and advertisement-free information about HIV research, treatment, and care. It is designed to be useful to people living with HIV, clinicians, providers, and others. *Information Bulletin* is also available by fax and e-mail. There is no subscription fee. Published sporadically.

### ***JOURNAL OF AIDS/HIV: A Journal of Current Therapy for AIDS and HIV***

[http://www.ccsublishing.com/j\\_aids.htm](http://www.ccsublishing.com/j_aids.htm)

The National Medical Society publishes this journal. It can be viewed on the Internet for a \$9.95/year subscription. The National Medical Society does not accept advertiser support.

### ***Moore News Quarterly***

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

This quarterly newsletter for patients is written and published by the faculty, staff, and patients of the Johns Hopkins AIDS Service.

### ***NATAP Reports***

<http://www.natap.org/newsletters.htm>

*NATAP Reports*, the monthly newsletter of the National AIDS Treatment Advocacy Project, provides up-to-date HIV/AIDS treatment and research information as well as HIV/AIDS conference reports.

### ***PI Perspective***

[http://www.projectinform.org/pub/pip\\_index.html](http://www.projectinform.org/pub/pip_index.html)

This journal is published several times each year by Project Inform, a national, nonprofit, community-based organization. It provides information about recent clinical trials and includes discussion on state-of-the-art AIDS treatment and research. It also reports on medical, governmental, and regulatory issues.

### ***Positive Health News***

<http://www.execpc.com/~keephope/phn.html>

This newsletter is published three times annually by a nonprofit corporation, Keep Hope Alive, Ltd. The target audience includes individuals whose immune systems are compromised and people with AIDS, chronic fatigue, and cancer.

### ***Positive Living Newsletter***

<http://www.thebody.com/apla/aplaix.html>

*Positive Living Newsletter* is published monthly by the AIDS Project Los Angeles' Publications Program. AIDS Project Los Angeles is a nonprofit, community-based organization that provides HIV/AIDS services and information.

### ***Positive Nation***

<http://www.positivenation.co.uk>

Published monthly in the United Kingdom (UK) by the UK Coalition of People Living with HIV and AIDS. The "Treatment News" link from the main page carries treatment information from the last three issues of the newsletter.

### ***Positively Aware***

<http://www.thebody.com/tpan/tpanix.html>

The Test Positive Aware Network, based in Chicago, publishes this magazine for individuals with AIDS. It appears bimonthly.

### ***The PRN Notebook***

[http://www.prn.org/prn\\_nb\\_cntnt/current.htm](http://www.prn.org/prn_nb_cntnt/current.htm)

*The PRN Notebook* is a monthly publication of the Physician Research Network (PRN). It contains written summaries of the presentations given at the monthly PRN educational meetings.

The PRN Notebook is for physicians, health professional, and researchers involved in the treatment and prevention of HIV disease.

### ***Resource Newsletter***

<http://www.pedhivaids.org/newsletters>

This periodical is targeted for health care providers and is published quarterly by the National Pediatric and Family HIV Resource Center.

### ***RITA!***

<http://www.centerforaids.org/rita>

*Research Initiative/Treatment Action! (RITA!)* is a newsletter published twice a year by the Center for AIDS, which is based in Houston, Texas. *RITA!* is dedicated to reporting the latest information on HIV research and treatments, conference updates, and clinical interviews. The Center for AIDS is partially funded by a grant from the National Library of Medicine.

### ***Survival News***

<http://www.thebody.com/asp/aspix.html>

This is a monthly newsletter written for the individual with AIDS. It is published by the AIDS Survival Project, a membership organization.

### ***TAGline from the Treatment Action Group***

<http://www.thebody.com/tag/tagix.html#tagline>

The Treatment Action Group, a nonprofit organization, advocates for more research, public and private, to find a cure for AIDS. This is a monthly research and policy publication. Also available in Spanish beginning with the January 2000 issue.

### ***Topics in HIV Medicine***

<http://hivinsite.ucsf.edu/InSite.jsp?page=md-04-01>

*Topics in HIV Medicine* is a publication of the International AIDS Society-USA, a non-profit physician education organization. The publication is issued six times a year and is intended for physicians and other health care professionals that treat patients with HIV/AIDS. *Topics in Medicine* features treatment guidelines, conferences summaries, and special review articles on the latest advances in the treatment of HIV/AIDS.

### ***Treatment Flash***

[http://www.sfaf.org/treatment/treatment\\_flash](http://www.sfaf.org/treatment/treatment_flash)

*Treatment Flash*, a monthly publication, provides information on a variety of topics relating to individuals living with HIV/AIDS. The San Francisco AIDS Foundation publishes this newsletter. Issues are available in Spanish.

### ***Treatment Insider***

<http://199.105.9.6/treatment/HIV+/insidermenu.html>

*The amfAR Treatment Insider* is a monthly publication from the American Foundation for AIDS Research. The publication is also available in Spanish.

### ***Treatment Review***

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

Published six or more times a year by the AIDS Treatment Data Network, a not-for-profit, independent organization. *Treatment Review* includes descriptions of approved, alternative, and experimental treatments, as well as announcements of seminars and forums on treatments and clinical trials. This publication is also available in Spanish.

### ***What's New***

<http://www.projectinform.org/whatsnew/index.html>

*What's New* is a monthly publication of Project Inform. It includes current HIV treatment information, program activities, and updates on topics discussed on Project Inform's national hotline.

***WISE Words***

[http://www.projectinform.org/pub/ww\\_index.html](http://www.projectinform.org/pub/ww_index.html)

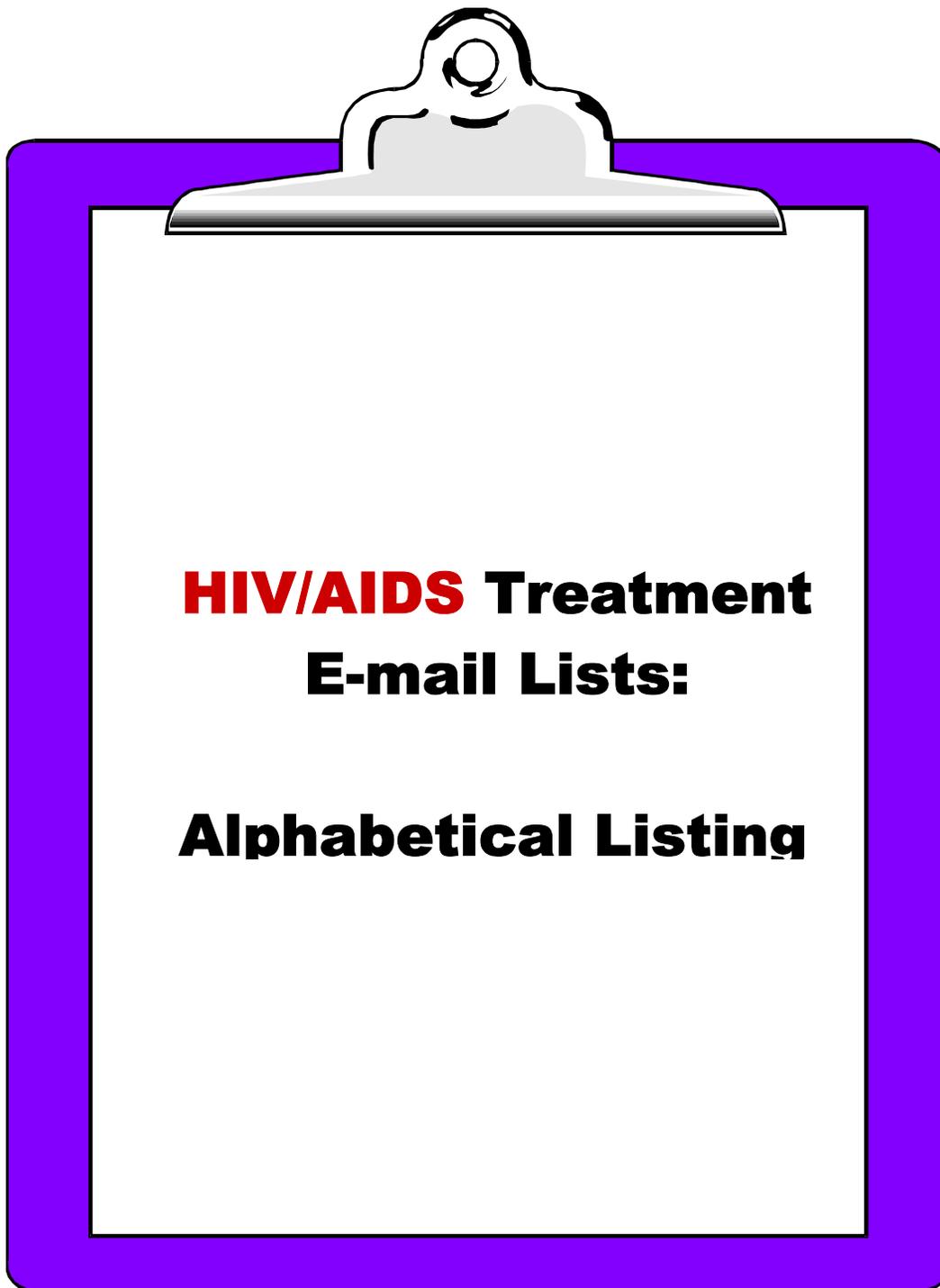
This is published three times a year by the Women's Information Service and Exchange (WISE) project, the Project Inform program emphasizing treatment information for women.

***Women Alive Newsletter***

<http://www.thebody.com/wa/waix.html>

Women Alive is a national, treatment-focused, nonprofit organization by and for women living with HIV/AIDS. *Women Alive Newsletter* is a quarterly treatment newsletter.





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For more E-mail lists on HIV/AIDS topics, visit the AIDS Education Global Information System (AEGIS) Web site (see entry in this document) at <http://www.aegis.org> (click on the News Services link and expand the Today's News category to find "HIV News by Email")

or go to the Critical Path Web site at <http://www.critpath.org/services/webpage.html> and scroll down the page to "Mailing Lists."

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## Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) National Center for HIV/AIDS, STD and TB Prevention News Update

(Formerly the AIDS Daily Summary)

**About This List:** *CDC National Center for HIV/AIDS, STD and TB Prevention News Update* is maintained by the CDC National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention. The interconnectedness of tuberculosis, HIV/AIDS, and other sexually transmitted diseases led to the creation of the National Center for HIV, STD and TB Prevention (NCHSTP) and so the *AIDS Daily Summaries* was replaced on October 16, 1997, with *The CDC NCHSTP Daily News Update*. Regular postings to this list include the *CDC NCHSTP Daily News Update*, conference announcements, clinical trials information, current funding opportunities, and selected *Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report* (MMWR) articles.

**To Subscribe:** Send a blank message to <[preventionnews\\_subscribe@cdcnpin.org](mailto:preventionnews_subscribe@cdcnpin.org)>.

**Home Page:** <http://www.cdcnpin.org/news/prevnews.htm>

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## FDA-HIV-AIDS

**About This List:** The FDA HIV/AIDS E-mail List gives patients, industry, academia, and other government agencies one source for FDA HIV/AIDS-related product information. Postings to this list include information on product approvals, label changes, safety warnings, notices of upcoming meetings, and alerts to proposed regulatory guidance.

**To Subscribe:** Go to <http://list.nih.gov/cgi-bin/wa?SUBED1=fda-hiv-aids&A=1> and complete the online form to join or leave this list.

**Home Page:** <http://www.fda.gov/oashi/aids/email.html>

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## Gente Poz

**About This List:** Gente Poz is an e-mail discussion list that provides emotional support and medical information for Spanish-speaking people with HIV/AIDS.

**To Subscribe:** E-mail <[lists@web-depot.com](mailto:lists@web-depot.com)> with a blank subject line and the command:  
subscribe aidsnews "Gente Poz"  
in the body of the message.

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## HEPV-L

**About This List:** The HEPV-L mailing list is for discussions of all aspects of chronic hepatitis and related liver problems, including treatment. HEPV-L welcomes discussions of personal experience with chronic hepatitis, whether as a carrier of the virus, or as someone who has had to administer to hepatitis carriers in some fashion. This list is included in this AIDS Treatment document because of the increasing trend of co-infection of HIV/AIDS and hepatitis.

**To Subscribe:** Go to <http://maelstrom.stjohns.edu/CGI/wa.exe?SUBED1=hepv-l&A=1> and complete the online form to join or leave this list.

**Home Page:** <http://maelstrom.stjohns.edu/CGI/wa.exe>

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## HIV-Docs

**About This List:** An Internet discussion list for physicians and other clinicians involved in treating people with HIV. The purpose of this list is to foster the exchange of information among HIV-treating clinicians and researchers. Members of the list are encouraged to post questions, cases, announcements, and findings that may be of interest, and to respond to inquiries as appropriate. This is a closed list. All subscribers must be approved by the maintainer and only the members of the list can post messages to the list. Please note that while the list owners make every attempt to screen list subscribers, they cannot guarantee that every subscriber is a clinician; please keep this in mind when posting clinical presentations in an effort to maintain doctor/patient confidentiality.

**To Subscribe:** Send a blank message to <[hiv-docs-subscribe@boygenius.com](mailto:hiv-docs-subscribe@boygenius.com)>. After your subscription request is approved, you will receive a confirmation message.

**Home Page:** <http://www.boygenius.com/lists>

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## HIV FITNESS LISTSERV

**About This List:** An electronic mailing list for sharing information, ideas, and opinions regarding nutrition and exercise for adults living with HIV/AIDS. Participants on the LISTSERV include individuals infected and affected by HIV/AIDS, and health care professionals.

**To Subscribe:** E-mail a blank message to <[hivfitness-list-subscribe@topica.com](mailto:hivfitness-list-subscribe@topica.com)>.

**Home Page:** <http://www.hivfitness.org>

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## HIV-SUPPORT

**About This List:** An Internet discussion list for emotional support and sharing medical information for people with HIV or AIDS.

**To Subscribe:** Send a blank e-mail message to <[hiv-support-subscribe@lists.boygenius.com](mailto:hiv-support-subscribe@lists.boygenius.com)>.

**Home Page:** <http://www.hiv-support.org>

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## Journal-Scan

**About This List:** Journal-Scan is a read-only listserv that provides a weekly listing of abstracts recently published in medical journals. Abstracts are selected by Canada's Community AIDS Treatment Information Exchange (CATIE), which also provides a commentary on each article.

**To Subscribe:** E-mail <[maiser@catie.ca](mailto:maiser@catie.ca)> with the command:  
subscribe journal-scan  
in the body of the message.

**Home Page:** <http://www.catie.ca/catie.nsf> (case sensitive)

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## LIPIDLIST

**About This List:** The purpose of this list is to discuss experiences and problems related to metabolic complications of HIV. Discussion topics include lipodystrophy and the changing levels of lipids (triglycerides and cholesterol).

**To Subscribe:** E-mail <[listproc@critpath.org](mailto:listproc@critpath.org)> with the command:  
information lipidlist  
in the body of the message.

**Home Page:** <http://www.critpath.org/services/webpage.html>

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## National AIDS Treatment Advocacy Project (NATAP) Mailing List

**About This List:** NATAP provides daily e-mail treatment updates on HIV and HCV/HIV co-infection. NATAP is a New York state nonprofit corporation dedicated to educating individuals about HIV and hepatitis treatments.

**To Subscribe:** Send your e-mail address to <[info@natap.org](mailto:info@natap.org)>.

**Home Page:** <http://www.natap.org>

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## NMAC-TREATMENT-L

**About This List:** NMAC-TREATMENT-L list offers a number of E-mail listings that provide current HIV/AIDS treatment information. The National Minority AIDS Council (NMAC) hosts this e-mail list.

**To Subscribe:** Go to <http://www.nmac.org/subscribe.htm>, click in the white circle to select the Treatment LISTSERV, and complete the online form to subscribe or unsubscribe to this list.

**Home Page:** <http://www.nmac.org>

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## **PAIN-L**

**About This List:** This is a fully moderated (edited) conference/seminar/online magazine. The primary focus of PAIN-L is chronic pain.

**To Subscribe:** E-mail <[listserv@sjuvms.stjohns.edu](mailto:listserv@sjuvms.stjohns.edu)> with the command:  
SUBSCRIBE PAIN-L <Your full name>  
in the body of the message.

Or subscribe online at  
<http://maelstrom.stjohns.edu/CGI/wa.exe?SUBED1=pain-l&A=1>.

**Home Page:** <http://maelstrom.stjohns.edu/archives/pain-l.html>

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## **PI-Treat**

**About This List:** This list is for people using any protease inhibitor drug, although the discussion is about antiviral treatments in general.

**To Subscribe:** E-mail <[requests@pozlink.com](mailto:requests@pozlink.com)> with the following text:  
subscribe pi-treat  
in the body of the message.

Or subscribe online at <http://www.pozlink.com/lists.html>.

**Home Page:** <http://www.pozlink.com>

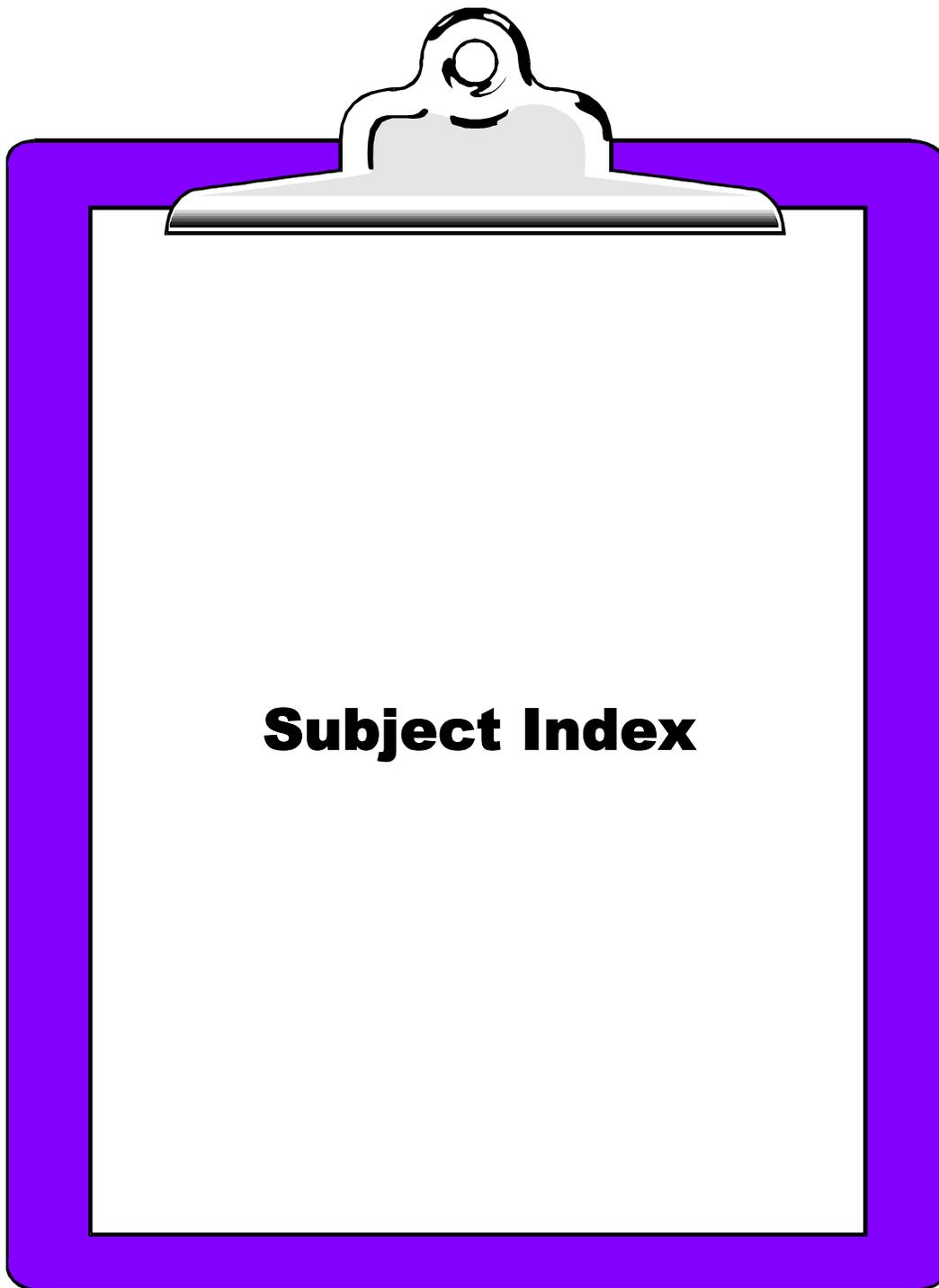
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## **sci.med.aids**

**About This List:** Sci.med.aids is a USENET newsgroup that discusses AIDS and HIV. A gateway forwards articles posted to sci.med.aids to a BITNET 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. Topics discussed include treatment. 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.

**To Subscribe:** E-mail <[majordomo@wubios.wustl.edu](mailto:majordomo@wubios.wustl.edu)> with the command:  
subscribe aids <your e-mail address>  
in the body of the message.

**Home Page:** <http://www.aids.wustl.edu/aids/aidsfaq.html>



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# Subject Index

Information in this section is arranged alphabetically by subject and includes only Web sites. Please refer to the HIV/AIDS Treatment Web Sites section of this manual to find the Web site entries listed in alphabetical order by Web site name. E-mail lists and periodicals are not included in the Subject Index.

This is a selective subject index. Web sites were assigned subjects based on the quality and quantity of information on that subject.

The subject terms are bolded. The entry information under each subject term includes the name of the Web home page, which is also the main entry in this document, the name of the page that contains information on the subject topic, and the Web address of the page that contains information on the subject topic.

The list of Subject Index Terms follows.

**Adherence**  
**Alternative Treatments**  
**Ask the Expert**  
**Assistance in Paying for Drugs**  
**Clinical Trials**  
**Conferences**  
**Current News Updates**  
**Drug Information**  
**Fact Sheets**  
**Fraud**  
**Health Care Providers** (Web sites for clinicians - see “Treatment” for Web sites primarily for patients)  
**Hepatitis**  
**Hotlines**  
**Journal Article Abstracts**  
**Medicaid**  
**Mental Health**  
**Nutrition**  
**Organization Directories**  
**Pediatric**  
**Post-Exposure Prophylaxis (PEP)**  
**Social Security**  
**Spanish (Resources available in Spanish)**  
**Traveling with HIV**  
**Treatment** (Web sites primarily for patients, see “Health Care Providers” for Web sites for clinicians)  
**Treatment Guidelines**  
**Tutorials/Manuals**  
**Vaccines**  
**Women**

## Adherence

- **HIV InSite**  
Adherence & Compliance (from the home page, click on Medical, then click on Medicine & Science under LINKS, then click on Adherence & Compliance)  
<http://hivinsite.ucsf.edu>
- **International Association of Physicians in AIDS Care**  
<http://www.iapac.org>

## Alternative Treatments

- **The Alternative Medicine Home Page**  
AIDS & HIV: Alternative Medicine Resources  
<http://www.pitt.edu/~cbw/hiv.html>
- **Bastyr University AIDS Research Center (BUARC)**  
<http://www.bastyr.edu/research/buarc>
- **HIV InSite**  
Alternative & Complementary Medicine (from the home page, click on Medical, then click on Medicine & Science under LINKS, then click on Alternative & Complementary Medicine)  
<http://hivinsite.ucsf.edu>
- **National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine**  
<http://nccam.nih.gov>

## Ask the Expert

- **The Body**  
Ask the Experts  
<http://www.thebody.com/experts.shtml>
- **HIVandHepatitis.com**  
Teleconferences  
[http://www.hivandhepatitis.com/hiv\\_telec.html](http://www.hivandhepatitis.com/hiv_telec.html)
- **HIVandHepatitis.com**  
The Doctor Is In  
<http://www.hivandhepatitis.com/doctor/main.html>
- **HIVfitness.com**  
Have a Question? Ask a Pro! (click on link from home page)  
<http://hivfitness.org>

- **Johns Hopkins AIDS Service**  
Expert Q&A  
[http://www.hopkins-aids.edu/index\\_ask.html](http://www.hopkins-aids.edu/index_ask.html)
- **Medscape™ HIV/AIDS**  
Exam Room  
<http://www.medscape.com/Home/Topics/AIDS/directories/dir-AIDS.ExamRoom.cfm>

## Assistance in Paying for Drugs

- **Aidsinfonyc.org**  
ADAP Monitoring Project  
<http://aidsinfonyc.org/adap>
- **The Body**  
Financial Assistance  
<http://www.thebody.com/quality.html#financial>
- **Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)**  
Getting HIV/AIDS Care, Prescription Drugs and Other Information  
<http://hab.hrsa.gov/getting.html>
- **HIV InSite**  
Treatment Access (from the home page, click on Medical, then click on Treatment Access under TREATMENT RESOURCES)  
<http://hivinsite.ucsf.edu>
- **International Association of Physicians in AIDS Care**  
Drug Index, then click on Reimbursement/Drug Assistance  
<http://www.iapac.org/avtherapiesidx.html#reimburse>
- **U.S. Health Resources and Services Administration HIV/AIDS Bureau**  
Getting HIV/AIDS Care, Prescription Drugs, and Other Information  
<http://www.hrsa.gov/hab/getting.html>

## Clinical Trials

- **Adult AIDS Clinical Trials Group**  
<http://aactg.s-3.com>
- **AIDS Clinical Trials Information Service (ACTIS)**  
<http://actis.org>
- **AIDS Treatment Data Network**  
Clinical Trials  
<http://www.aidsinfonyc.org/network/trials.html>

- **AIDSTRIALS Database**  
Click on Find a Clinical Trial on home page  
<http://actis.org>
- **Canadian HIV Trials Network**  
<http://www.hivnet.ubc.ca/ctn.html>
- **CenterWatch Clinical Trials Listing Service**  
<http://www.centerwatch.com>
- **ClinicalTrials.gov**  
<http://clinicaltrials.gov>
- **Food and Drug Administration (FDA) HIV/AIDS Program**  
Clinical Trials and Product Development  
<http://www.fda.gov/oashi/aids/clinical.html>
- **HIV InSite**  
Trials Search Database (from the home page, click on Medical, then click on Trials Search Database under CLINICAL TRIALS)  
<http://hivinsite.ucsf.edu>
- **HIV InSite**  
Clinical Research Groups (from the home page, click on Medical, then click on Clinical Research Groups under CLINICAL TRIALS)  
<http://hivinsite.ucsf.edu>
- **HIV InSite**  
Clinical Research & Trials (from the home page, click on Medical, then click on Medicine & Science, then click on Clinical Research & Trials)  
<http://hivinsite.ucsf.edu>
- **Johns Hopkins AIDS Service**  
Clinical Trials  
[http://hopkins-aids.edu/resources/trials/trials\\_toc.html](http://hopkins-aids.edu/resources/trials/trials_toc.html)
- **Medscape™ HIV/AIDS**  
Cochrane Abstracts (reviews of clinical trials)  
<http://hiv.medscape.com/Home/Topics/AIDS/directories/dir-AIDS.Library.html#cochrane>
- **National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases**  
Division of Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome  
<http://www.niaid.nih.gov/daids>
- **Pediatric AIDS Clinical Trials Group**  
<http://pactg.s-3.com>

## Conferences

- **AIDS 2000: XIII International AIDS Conference**  
<http://www.aids2000.org>
- **AIDS 2002: XIV International AIDS Conference**  
<http://www.aids2002.org>
- **The Body**  
The Body Covers the XIII International AIDS Conference  
<http://www.thebody.com/confs/durban/aids2000.html>
- **HIVandHepatitis.com**  
Internet Conference Reports  
[http://www.hivandhepatitis.com/hiv\\_int\\_con.html](http://www.hivandhepatitis.com/hiv_int_con.html)
- **HIV InSite**  
Conference Abstracts (from the home page, click on Medical, then click on Conference Abstracts under MEDICAL LITERATURE)  
<http://hivinsite.ucsf.edu>
- **International Association of Physicians in AIDS Care**  
Conferences  
<http://www.iapac.org/confidx.html>
- **Johns Hopkins AIDS Service**  
Conferences  
<http://www.hopkins-aids.edu/resources/calendar/calendar1.html>
- **Medscape® HIV/AIDS**  
Conference Coverage  
<http://www.medscape.com/Home/Topics/AIDS/directories/dir-AIDS.ConfSummaries.html>
- **Medscape™ HIV/AIDS**  
Conference Schedules  
<http://www.medscape.com/Home/Topics/AIDS/directories/dir-AIDS.ConfSchedules.html>
- **Medscape™ HIV/AIDS**  
Conference Coverage  
<http://www.medscape.com/Home/Topics/AIDS/directories/dir-AIDS.ConfSummaries.html>
- **The National AIDS Treatment Advocacy Project**  
Conference Reports (click on link on home page)  
<http://www.natap.org>
- **National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases**  
Division of Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome  
Publications and Meeting Summaries  
<http://www.niaid.nih.gov/daids/meetingsum.htm>

## Current News Updates

Note: See also the Periodicals and E-mail sections of this document, especially *Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) National Center for HIV/AIDS, STD and TB Prevention News Update*.

- **AIDS Education Global Information System (AEGIS)**  
*HIV Daily Briefing*  
<http://www.aegis.org>
- **AIDS Education Global Information System (AEGIS)**  
News Services  
<http://www.aegis.com/archive/default.asp>
- **AIDScience**  
News Headlines  
<http://www.aidsscience.com/Headlines2.asp>  
Journal Headlines  
<http://www.aidsscience.com/Jheadlines2.asp>
- **MEDLINEplus**  
AIDS  
<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/aids.html>
- **Medscape® HIV/AIDS**  
News  
<http://www.medscape.com/Home/Topics/AIDS/directories/dir-AIDS.News.html>

## Drug Information

Note: Many sites have information about HIV/AIDS drugs. These sites are good starting points.

- **AIDS Education Global Information System (AEGIS)**  
Key Topics: Treatment (from the home page, click on Key Topics, then Treatment)  
<http://www.aegis.org>
- **AIDS.ORG**  
Descriptions of Drugs and Treatments  
<http://www.aidsinfonyc.org/network/drugloss.html>
- **AIDS Clinical Trials Information Service**  
Find Drug Information (click on link)  
<http://actis.org>
- **AIDSMAP**  
The Wheel (Your Personal Pill Planner)  
<http://www.aidsmap.com/wheel/starthere.htm>

- **AIDSMeds.com**  
Check My Meds  
<http://aidsmeds.com/DrugsNewContent.asp>
- **The Body**  
Treatment  
<http://www.thebody.com/treatment.html>
- **HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service**  
Drug Interactions  
<http://hivatis.org/druginteractions.html>
- **HIVandHepatitis.com**  
HIV Treatments  
[http://www.hivandhepatitis.com/hiv\\_and\\_aids/hiv\\_treat.html](http://www.hivandhepatitis.com/hiv_and_aids/hiv_treat.html)
- **HIV InSite**  
Antiretroviral Drug Database (from the home page, click on Medical, then click on Antiretroviral Drug Database under TREATMENT RESOURCES)  
<http://hivinsite.ucsf.edu>
- **HIV InSite**  
Drug Information (from the home page, click on Medical, then click on Medicine & Science under LINKS, then click on Drug Information)  
<http://hivinsite.ucsf.edu>
- **Medscape™ HIV/AIDS**  
From the Exam Room page, click on Drug-Drug Interactions Report (under Clinical Calculator)  
<http://hiv.medscape.com/Home/Topics/AIDS/directories/dir-AIDS.ExamRoom.cfm>
- **National HIV/AIDS Clinicians' Consultation Center**  
HIV Pharmacist Central  
<http://www.ucsf.edu/hivcntr/pharmacy>
- **Food and Drug Administration (FDA) HIV/AIDS Program**  
HIV/AIDS Therapeutics  
<http://www.fda.gov/oashi/aids/status.html>
- **International Association of Physicians in AIDS Care**  
Drug Index  
<http://www.iapac.org/drugindex.html>
- **Antiretroviral Therapies**  
<http://www.iapac.org/avtherapiesidx.html#specific>
- **National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases**  
Division of Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome  
Database for Anti-HIV Compounds  
<http://www.niaid.nih.gov/daids/dtpdb/default.htm>

- **Physicians Research Network**  
<http://www.prn.org>
- **Project Inform**  
Drug Interactions  
<http://www.projectinform.org/fs/drugin.html>
- **Project Inform**  
Standard Dosing Schedule for Anti-HIV Drugs  
<http://www.projectinform.org/fs/dosingchart.html>
- **Project Inform**  
Dealing with Drug Side Effects  
<http://www.projectinform.org/fs/sideeffects.html>

## Fact Sheets

- **AIDS Treatment Data Network**  
Simple Facts Sheets  
<http://aidsinfo NYC.org/network/sf.html>
- **HIVInSite**  
Patient Fact Sheets (from the home page, click on Medical, then Patient Fact Sheets under TREATMENT RESOURCES)  
<http://hivinsite.ucsf.edu>
- **New Mexico AIDS InfoNet**  
AIDS Fact Sheets  
<http://www.aidsinfo net.org/001-index.html>
- **Project Inform**  
Index of Publications by Subject Area  
<http://www.projectinform.org/indexS.html>

## Fraud

- **Food and Drug Administration (FDA) HIV/AIDS Activities**  
FDA State AIDS Health Fraud Task Forces: Evaluating Medical Therapies  
<http://www.fda.gov/oashi/aids/eval.html>

## Health Care Providers (Web sites for clinicians)

- **Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)**  
A Guide to the Clinical Care of Women with HIV  
<http://www.hab.hrsa.gov/womencare.htm>  
Educating Providers of HIV/AIDS Care  
<http://hab.hrsa.gov/educating.html>
- **hivcme.com**  
Downloadable Continuing Medical Education Materials  
<http://www.hivcme.com/cmeframe.htm>
- **HIVDENT**  
<http://www.hivdent.org>
- **HIV InSite**  
<http://hivinsite.ucsf.edu>
- **International Association of Physicians in AIDS Care**  
<http://www.iapac.org>
- **Johns Hopkins AIDS Service**  
<http://www.hopkins-aids.edu>
- **Journal of the American Medical Association HIV/AIDS Resource Center**  
<http://www.ama-assn.org/special/hiv>
- **Medem Medical Library**  
[http://www.medem.com/MedLB/medlib\\_entry.cfm](http://www.medem.com/MedLB/medlib_entry.cfm)
- **Medscape® HIV/AIDS**  
<http://www.medscape.com>
- **National HIV/AIDS Clinicians' Consultation Center**  
<http://www.ucsf.edu/hivcntr>
- **National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, Division of Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome**  
<http://www.niaid.nih.gov/daids>
- **Physicians Research Network**  
<http://www.prn.org>
- **The University of North Carolina AIDS Clinical Trials Unit**  
<http://www.med.unc.edu/medicine/hivaidsc>
- **U.S. Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) HIV/AIDS Bureau**  
AIDS Education and Training Centers (AETCs) Program  
<http://www.hrsa.gov/hab/educating.html>

## Hepatitis

- **HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service (ATIS)**  
HIV and Hepatitis C Co-Infection  
<http://hivatis.org/hepatitisC.html>
- **HIVandHepatitis.com**  
<http://www.hivandhepatitis.com>
- **HIV InSite**  
Hepatitis (from the home page, click on Medical, then click on Medicine & Science, then click on Hepatitis)  
<http://hivinsite.ucsf.edu>
- **The National AIDS Treatment Advocacy Project**  
Hepatitis (click on link on home page)  
<http://www.natap.org>
- **The National AIDS Treatment Advocacy Project**  
Radio Shows (click on link on home page)  
<http://www.natap.org>

## Hotlines

- **AIDS Clinical Trials Information Service**  
Questions About Clinical Trials  
<http://actis.org/contact.html>
- **AIDS.ORG**  
Hotlines  
<http://aids.org/info/basics/hotlines.html>
- **HIV InSite**  
Hotlines (from the home page, click on Medical, then click on Advice, then click on Hotlines)  
<http://hivinsite.ucsf.edu>
- **National HIV/AIDS Clinicians' Consultation Center**  
Warmline/PEpline  
<http://www.ucsf.edu/hivcntr/services.html#warmline>
- **Project Inform**  
National HIV/AIDS Treatment Hotline  
<http://www.ProjectInform.org/org/hotline.html>

## Journal Article Abstracts

- **HIV InSite**  
Medical Literature Databases (from the home page, click on Medical, then click on Medicine & Science, then click on Medical Literature Databases)  
<http://hivinsite.ucsf.edu>
- **Journal of the American Medical Association HIV/AIDS Resource Center Library**  
<http://www.ama-assn.org/special/hiv/library/library.htm>
- **Medem Medical Library**  
Medical Journals/Professional Resources (click on HIV/AIDS under “Diseases and Conditions,” then click on Medical Journals/Professional Resources)  
[http://www.medem.com/MedLB/medlib\\_entry.cfm](http://www.medem.com/MedLB/medlib_entry.cfm)
- **Medscape™ HIV/AIDS Journal Room**  
<http://www.medscape.com/Home/Topics/AIDS/directories/dir-AIDS.JournalRoom.html>
- **San Francisco AIDS Foundation**  
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)
- **PubMed, AIDS Subset under Limits**  
<http://PubMed.gov>

## Medicaid

- **AIDS Treatment Data Network home page:**  
Medicaid HIV Policy Project  
<http://www.aidsinfo NYC.org/medicaid.html>
- **The Body**  
Medicare/Medicaid and Health Insurance Policy  
<http://www.thebody.com/govt/medicare.html>
- **Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)**  
Medicaid CARE Act Contacts  
<ftp://ftp.hrsa.gov/hab/STATEC%7E1.pdf>

## Mental Health

- **The Body**  
Depression, Anxiety, and Mental Health  
<http://www.thebody.com/quality.html#depression>
- **Center for Mental Health Research on AIDS**  
<http://www.nimh.nih.gov/oa>

## Nutrition

- **AIDS Nutrition Services Alliances**  
<http://www.aidsnutrition.org>
- **The Body**  
Diet and Nutrition  
<http://www.thebody.com/quality.html#diet>
- **HIV/AIDS Dietetic Practice Group of the American Dietetic Association**  
<http://www.hivaidspg.org>
- **hivfitness.com**  
Dietary Considerations (see links under this heading on home page)  
<http://hivfitness.org>
- **HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service (ATIS)**  
Nutrition and Food Safety  
<http://hivatis.org/foodsafety.html>
- **International Bibliographic Information on Dietary Supplements**  
<http://www.nal.usda.gov/fnic/IBIDS>

## Organization Directories

- **DIRLINE**  
<http://dirline.nlm.nih.gov>

## Pediatric

- **Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation**  
<http://www.pedaids.org>
- **Pediatric AIDS Clinical Trials Group**  
<http://pactg.s-3.com>

## Post-Exposure Prophylaxis (PEP)

- **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Division of HIV/AIDS Prevention Treatment**  
<http://www.cdc.gov/hiv/treatment.htm>
- **National HIV/AIDS Clinicians' Consultation Center**  
<http://www.ucsf.edu/hivcntr>

## Social Security

- **The Body**  
Social Security  
<http://www.thebody.com/financial/ss.html>
- **sci.med.aids**  
Guide to Social Security Benefits (from the Social Services Available page, click on Guide to Social Security Benefits)  
<http://www.aids.wustl.edu/aids/sci.med.aids.faq5.html>
- **Social Security Administration**  
<http://www.ssa.gov>
- **Social Security Administration**  
Disability Programs  
<http://www.ssa.gov/odhome/odhome.htm>
- **Social Security Administration**  
A Guide to Social Security and SSI Disability Benefits for People with HIV Infection  
<http://www.ssa.gov/pubs/10020.html>

## Spanish (resources available in Spanish)

- **AIDS Action Committee of Massachusetts, Inc.**  
[http://www.aac.org/sitemap\\_SP.htm](http://www.aac.org/sitemap_SP.htm)
- **AIDS on MEDLINEplus**  
<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/MEDLINEPlus/aids.html>
- **AIDS Treatment Data Network**  
<http://www.aidsinfonyc.org/network/lared>
- **National Prevention Information Network**  
Resources by Topic, Hispanics/Latinos  
<http://www.cdcnpin.org/topic/latino.htm>
- **HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service (ATIS)**  
<http://hivatis.org/spanish>
- **HIV InSite**  
Patient Fact Sheets (from the home page, click on Medical, then click on Patient Fact Sheets under “TREATMENT RESOURCES”)  
<http://hivinsite.ucsf.edu>
- **Johns Hopkins AIDS Service**  
<http://www.vivacazuza.org.br/forum.htm>
- **National Minority AIDS Council**  
Publications  
<http://www.nmac.org/treatment/treatpub.htm>
- **New Mexico AIDS InfoNet**  
<http://aidsinfonet.org/infored.html>
- **Project Inform**  
<http://www.projectinform.org/spanish/index.html>

## Traveling with HIV

- **AIDS Education Global Information System (AEGIS)**  
Traveling with HIV  
<http://www.aegis.com/topics/travel.html>
- **HIV InSite**  
Travel Health (from the home page, click on Medical, then click on Medicine & Science, then click on Travel Health)  
<http://hivinsite.ucsf.edu>

## **Treatment** (primarily for patients - see Health Care Providers for sites for clinicians)

Note: All resources in this guide contain treatment information. These sites are good starting points.

- **AIDS Education Global Information System (AEGIS)**  
Key Topics: Treatment (from the home page, click on Key Topics, then Treatment)  
<http://www.aegis.org>
- **AIDSmeds.com**  
<http://www.aidsmeds.com>
- **AIDS Treatment Data Network**  
<http://www.aidsinfonyc.org/network>
- **American Foundation for AIDS Research (amfAR)**  
HIV/AIDS Treatment Directory  
<http://www.amfar.org/td>
- **The Body**  
Treatment  
<http://www.thebody.com/treatment.html>
- **HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service (ATIS)**  
<http://www.hivatis.org>

## **Treatment Guidelines**

- **HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service (ATIS)**  
Treatment Guidelines (Note: This is the best Web site to find the most current and archived treatment guidelines released by federal agencies.)  
<http://www.hivatis.org/trtgdlns.html>
- **Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA) HIV/AIDS Resources Center**  
Treatment Guidelines  
<http://www.ama-assn.org/special/hiv/treatmnt/treatmnt.htm>
- **HIV InSite**  
Treatment Guidelines (from the home page, click on Medical, then click on Treatment Guidelines under “TREATMENT RESOURCES”)  
<http://hivinsite.ucsf.edu>
- **Medscape® HIV/AIDS**  
Practice Guidelines  
<http://www.medscape.com/Home/Topics/AIDS/directories/dir-AIDS.PracticeGuide.html>

## Tutorials/Manuals

- **Connecting People and Resources Manual (National Library of Medicine AIDS databases)**  
<http://www.orau.gov/nlmtrng/ConnPR/contents2.htm>
- **How to Find Reliable HIV/AIDS Treatment Information on the Internet**  
<http://www.orau.gov/meo/manuals/treatment>
- **National Library of Medicine**  
PubMed Tutorial (click on “Features Bar” on the left, then click on the Limits tab at the top of the page to learn how to search the AIDS subset)  
[http://www.nlm.nih.gov/bsd/pubmed\\_tutorial/m1001.html](http://www.nlm.nih.gov/bsd/pubmed_tutorial/m1001.html)

## Vaccines

- **AIDS.ORG**  
HIV/AIDS Vaccines Information  
<http://www.aids.org/Vaccines.html>
- **AIDS Clinical Trials Information Service (ACTIS)**  
Click on Find Vaccine Information link on home page  
<http://actis.org>
- **HIVandHepatitis.com**  
HIV Vaccines  
[http://www.hivandhepatitis.com/hiv\\_vacc.html](http://www.hivandhepatitis.com/hiv_vacc.html)
- **National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, Division of Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome**  
HIV Vaccines  
<http://www.niaid.nih.gov/daids/vaccine/default.htm>

## Women

- **The Body**  
Women-Specific Treatment Issues  
<http://www.thebody.com/treatment.html#women>
- **Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)**  
A Guide to the Clinical Care of Women with HIV  
<http://www.hab.hrsa.gov/womencare.htm>
- **HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service (ATIS)**  
Treatment Information, HIV and Women  
<http://www.hivatis.org/womninfo.html>

- **Medem Medical Library**  
Women and HIV Infection (click on [HIV/AIDS](#) under “Diseases and Conditions,” then click on [Women and HIV Infection](#))  
[http://www.medem.com/MedLB/medlib\\_entry.cfm](http://www.medem.com/MedLB/medlib_entry.cfm)
- **MEDLINEplus**  
AIDS and Pregnancy  
<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/aidsandpregnancy.html>
- **The National AIDS Treatment Advocacy Project**  
Women and HIV (click on link from home page)  
<http://www.natap.org>
- **Project Inform**  
Women’s Information  
[http://www.projectinform.org/pub/ww\\_index.html](http://www.projectinform.org/pub/ww_index.html)

