

HIV PREP TALK WEBINAR

Recommendations

On Monday, April 28, 2025, Morehouse School of Medicine in partnership with the Center for Minority Health and Health Disparities Research and Education at Xavier University, hosted the HIV PrEP Talk Webinar: Navigating Policy, Progress and Perspectives Webinar. During the webinar, attendees were split into three breakout session groups.

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| <p>1 Dr. Burgess' Group
Focused on pharmacist training and reimbursement; emphasized leveraging</p> | <p>2 Leisha McKinley-Beach's Group
Called for stronger community involvement in policy development; questioned the visibility and equity of current funding.</p> | <p>3 Kayla Quimbley Young's Group
Emphasized alternative funding strategies and the necessity of contingency planning in case of federal budget cuts.</p> |
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From the breakout sessions, the following recommendations were made to advance the call for increased access to PrEP for all Georgians:

- Provider training should prioritize cultural humility and stigma reduction.
- Outreach strategies and public awareness campaigns should leverage music, trusted voices (local influencers and media, etc.), and the promotion of grassroots events.
- Communication efforts that tailor messages for older adults and rural communities are essential.
- Meaningful inclusion of people with lived experience strengthens PrEP advocacy and programming efforts.
- Community-based organizations (CBOs) must prepare alternative budgets and seek private grants.
- CBOs must emphasize the establishment of memoranda of understanding (MOUs) for resource sharing.
- Healthcare settings should prioritize shared staffing, telehealth, sliding scale fees, and advocacy for Medicaid coverage.
- Advocates should be leveraging data to influence policy and funding decisions.
- Creation of state-specific advocacy groups for consistent policy pressure at the state level.
- Usage of pilot outcomes and success metrics for legislative buy-in.