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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PALM BEACH COUNTY WORLD AIDS DAY DECEMBER 1



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Palm Beach County--Florida Department of Health in Palm Beach County along with the Joint United Nations Program on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) observes December 1st each year as World AIDS Day. Founded in 1988, World AIDS Day was the first ever global health day, establishing an opportunity for people worldwide to unite in the fight against HIV, to commemorate those who have died from an AIDS-related illness, and to inspire the world to achieve its shared vision of zero new HIV infections, zero discrimination and zero AIDS-related deaths.

“World AIDS Day is an excellent opportunity for everyone to recognize that HIV/AIDS exists in our community and to help our community achieve zero new infections and improve the quality of life for those infected,” said Florida Department of Health in Palm Beach County Director Dr. Alina Alonso. Alonso added there are over 8,000 people living with HIV/AIDS in the County and new infections continue to be diagnosed every day.

The theme this year is “Know Your Status”, and although we can celebrate significant progress in the fight against HIV/AIDS, 25% of those living with HIV still do not know their status. World-wide an estimated 36.7 million people are living with HIV/AIDS. Knowing your status is crucial to achieving the ambitious global 90-90-90 targets; that’s 90% of all PLWH will know their HIV status, 90% of all people with diagnosed HIV will receive sustained antiretroviral therapy (ART) and 90% of all people receiving ART will have viral suppression.

The global spread of HIV necessitates a worldwide effort to increase communication, education and action to stop the spread of HIV. Numerous organizations in the County have planned events, educational displays, memorials and testing beginning this week and throughout the following weeks. Dr. Alonso recommends that all should get involved by getting tested, talking with a health care provider about your risks for HIV, volunteer at a local AIDS service organization or HIV test site. Wear the red ribbon as a symbol of awareness and support for people living with HIV and keep the conversation going.

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2018 World AIDS Week Palm Beach County: Schedule of Events

Tuesday November 27th

Sponsoring Agency: FoundCare and ViiV

Date/Time: 11/27/18, 11 am – 2 pm

Location: FoundCare, 1500-A NW Avenue L, Belle Glade 33430

Features: ViiV presentation on History of HIV/AIDS Epidemic, Make your own charm bracelet activity, Moment of silence with support/encouragement. Lunch and Dessert will be served.

For more info: Quasia Cowan (561) 472-2466 x140, or (561) 996-7059

Sponsoring Agency: FoundCare

Date/Time: 11/27/18, 11 am – 1 pm

Location: Palm Beach State College, 4200 Congress Ave, Lake Worth 33460

Features: Free Rapid HIV Testing, World AIDS Day Table

For more info: Quasia Cowan (561) 472-2466 x140

Wednesday November 28th

Sponsoring Agency: FoundCare and ViiV

Date/Time: 11/28/18, 11 am – 2 pm

Location: FoundCare, 1901 S Congress Ave, Suite 100, Boynton Beach 33426

Features: ViiV presentation on History of HIV/AIDS Epidemic, Make your own charm bracelet activity, Moment of silence with support/encouragement. Lunch and Dessert will be served.

For more info: Quasia Cowan (561) 472-2466 x140, or (561) 274-6400

Friday November 30th

Sponsoring Agency: FDOH Palm Beach County

Date/Time: 11/30/18, 9 am – 3 pm

Location: 1150 45th St, West Palm Beach 33407

Features: Free Rapid HIV Testing + Incentives and Prizes, View “The Real Faces of HIV/AIDS” Exhibit by the World AIDS Museum and Educational Center, and One panel display of the AIDS Memorial Quilt.

For more info: (561) 514-5300, or (561) 625-5180

Sponsoring Agency: FDOH Palm Beach County

Date/Time: 11/30/18, 9 am – 3 pm

Location: 1250 Southwinds Dr, Lantana 33462

Features: Free Rapid HIV Testing + Incentives

For more info: (561) 547-6800, or (561) 625-5180

Sponsoring Agency: FDOH Palm Beach County

Date/Time: 11/30/18, 9 am – 3 pm

Location: 225 S Congress Ave, Delray Beach 33445

Features: Free Rapid HIV Testing + Incentives

For more info: (561) 274-3100, or (561) 625-5180

Sponsoring Agency: FDOH Palm Beach County

Date/Time: 11/30/18, 7:30 am – 3:30 pm

Location: 38754 SR 80, Belle Glade 33430

Features: 4th Gen Blood HIV Testing; Charge is on a sliding scale

For more info: (561) 983-9220, or (561) 625-5180

Event: My Health, My Right, #BEAWARE

Sponsoring Agency: Caridad Center

Date/Time: 11/30/18, 9 am – 12 pm

Location: Caridad, 8645 W Boynton Beach Blvd, Boynton Beach 33472

Features: Rapid HIV Testing, Education, Music Incentives, and Raffles!

For more info: Aydeivis (561) 737-6336 x117, or Fabianka (561) 248-1157

Event: World AIDS Day Awareness Event for Women & Girls

Sponsoring Agency: Crossing Bridges of the Palm Beaches, and AIDS Coalition of the Glades

Date/Time: 11/30/18, 10 am – 2 pm

Location: Crossing Bridges, 1100 N Main Street, Suite C, Belle Glade 33430

Features: HIV Testing and Education

For more info: Coretha Smith (561) 265-5306, or Sandra Daniels Stewart (561) 755-2439

Saturday December 1st

Event: Walk Palm Beach – a 3-mile AIDS walk

Sponsoring Agency: Haiti Cholera Research Funding Foundation (HCRFF)

Date/Time: 12/1/18, 9 am – 12 pm

Location: The 3-mile walk will start at 600 W Blue Heron Blvd, Riviera Beach, FL 33404, and go from Riviera Beach City Hall, to Barack Obama Hwy, to Silver Beach Rd, to Broadway, to Blue Heron Blvd, and back to City Hall.

Features: Come out and walk with us on Saturday 12/1. Registration will open at 8 am. Enjoy food trucks, kid's activities, blood drive, HIV testing, and other health services! Walk and raise money for a vital cause!

For more info: Pierrette Cazeau, HCRFF (561) 577-2698, www.walkpalmbeach.org

Event: My Health, My Right, #BEAWARE

Sponsoring Agency: Caridad Center

Date/Time: 12/1/18, 9 am – 12 pm

Location: Caridad, 8645 W Boynton Beach Blvd, Boynton Beach 33472

Features: Rapid HIV Testing, Education, Music Incentives, and Raffles!

For more info: Aydeivis (561) 737-6336 x117, or Fabianka (561) 248-1157

Sponsoring Agency: Treatment Outreach Program

Date/Time: 12/1/18, 10 am – 4 pm

Location: TOP, 100 E Linton Blvd, Suite 504-B, Delray Beach 33483

Features: HIV Testing, Educational Classes, Discussions and Refreshments!

For more info: Demoria Smith or Coretha Smith (561) 265-5306

Event: World AIDS Day Health Fair

Sponsoring Agency: Grace Episcopal Church, and Urban League of Palm Beach County

Date/Time: 12/1/18, 10 am – 1 pm

Location: Grace Episcopal, 3600 N Australian Ave, West Palm Beach 33407

Features: Vendors, Panel Discussion, Free Health Screenings, Activities, Giveaways, and Refreshments!

For more info: Joan or Meagan at Urban League, (561) 833-1461, x3024 or x3040

Event: World AIDS Day Event

Sponsoring Agency: Families First, TOPWA, and WHEN of PBC

Date/Time: 12/1/18, 11 am – 3 pm

Event Location: Lake Shore Park, 1224 SW Avenue E Pl, Belle Glade 33430

Features: HIV Testing, Pregnancy Testing, Gift Cards, Giveaways, Baby Items, TOPWA Enrollments

Contact: Keisha (561) 721-2887, or Wanda (561) 927-5577

Event: HIV Testing on Wheels

Sponsoring Agency: Triple H Ministries, Inc.

Date/Time: 12/1/18, 12:30 pm – 3 pm

Location: Mobile Unit, Delray Beach, SW 12th Ave and Atlantic Ave, (behind the Blue Store)

Features: Free Rapid HIV

For more info: Caroline Hill (561) 255-7711

Event: HIV Testing on Wheels

Sponsoring Agency: Triple H Ministries, Inc.

Date/Time: 12/1/18, 3:30 pm – 6 pm

Location: Mobile Unit, Boynton Beach, MLK Blvd and Seacrest Blvd

Features: Free Rapid HIV

For more info: Caroline Hill (561) 255-7711

Event: World AIDS Day Ceremony

Sponsoring Agency: Compass Community Center, FoundCare, and ViiV

Date/Time: 12/1/18, 3 pm – 6 pm

Location: Compass, 201 N Dixie Hwy, Lake Worth 33460

Feature: World AIDS Day Proclamation read by City of Lake Worth Mayor, Voices of Pride performance, Interfaith Moment of Silence and Benediction, Annual Candlelight Vigil, and Opening of The NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt display.

For more info: Lorenzo Lowe (561) 533-9699 x4009

Sponsoring Agency: Compass Community Center and FoundCare

Date/Time: 12/1 – 12/14/18; Mon-Thu 10 am – 8:30 pm, and Friday 10 am – 5 pm

Location: Compass, 201 N Dixie Hwy, Lake Worth 33460

Feature: The Names Project AIDS Memorial Quilt display; 22 panels for public view

For more info: Compass (561) 533-9699, or FoundCare (561) 472-2466

Monday December 3rd

Sponsoring Agency: Community Health Center of West Palm Beach

Date/Time: 12/3/18, 8 am – 4 pm

Location: CHC, 2100 W 45th St, Suites A8-9, West Palm Beach 33407

Feature: Free Rapid HIV Testing

For more info: (561) 840-8681

Sponsoring Agency: FoundCare

Date/Time: 12/3/18, 10 am – 4 pm

Location: Palm Beach State College, 3160 PGA Blvd, Palm Beach Gardens 33410

Features: Free Rapid HIV Testing, World AIDS Day Table

For more info: Quasia Cowan (561) 472-2466 x140

Sponsoring Agency: FoundCare

Date/Time: 12/3/18, 11 am – 1 pm

Location: Palm Beach State College, 4200 Congress Ave, Lake Worth 33460

Features: Free Rapid HIV Testing, World AIDS Day Table

For more info: Quasia Cowan (561) 472-2466 x140

Sponsoring Agency: Compass Community Center

Date/Time: 12/3/18, 4 pm – 7:30 pm

Location: Compass, 201 N Dixie Hwy, Lake Worth 33460

Feature: Free Rapid HIV Testing

For more info: (561) 533-9699; Appointments can be made for other times

Event: Paseo del Edredon (Quilt Tour)

Sponsoring Agency: Compass Community Center, Janssen

Date/Time: 12/3/18, 6 pm

Location: Compass, 201 N Dixie Hwy, Lake Worth 33460

Feature: Free Quilt Tour – in Spanish, Light snacks provided; Register for event at

www.paseodeledredon.eventbrite.com

For more info: Lysette, (561) 533-9699 x4007

Tuesday December 4th

Sponsoring Agency: Community Health Center of West Palm Beach

Date/Time: 12/4/18, 8 am – 7 pm

Location: CHC, 2100 W 45th St, Suites A8-9, West Palm Beach 33407

Feature: Free Rapid HIV Testing

For more info: (561) 840-8681

Sponsoring Agency: FoundCare

Date/Time: 12/4/18, 11 am – 2 pm

Location: Palm Beach State College, 4200 Congress Ave, Lake Worth 33460

Features: Free Rapid HIV Testing, World AIDS Day Table

For more info: Quasia Cowan (561) 472-2466 x140

Sponsoring Agency: FoundCare

Date/Time: 12/4/18, 12 pm – 3:30 pm

Location: FAU John D. MacArthur Campus, 5353 Parkside Dr, Jupiter 33458

Features: Free Rapid HIV Testing, World AIDS Day Table

For more info: Quasia Cowan (561) 472-2466 x140

Sponsoring Agency: Compass Community Center

Date/Time: 12/4/18, 1 pm – 5:30 pm

Location: Compass, 201 N Dixie Hwy, Lake Worth 33460

Feature: Free Rapid HIV Testing

For more info: (561) 533-9699; Appointments can be made for other times

Wednesday December 5th

Sponsoring Agency: Community Health Center of West Palm Beach

Date/Time: 12/5/18, 8 am – 4 pm

Location: CHC, 2100 W 45th St, Suites A8-9, West Palm Beach 33407

Feature: Free Rapid HIV Testing

For more info: (561) 840-8681

Event: The Tea on HIV

Date/Time: 12/5/18, 5 pm – 7 pm

Location: Compass, 201 N Dixie Hwy, Lake Worth 33460

Feature: Event for youth ages 12-18, features in-depth educational session on the history of HIV/AIDS, methods of transmission, and how to reduce transmission.

For more info: Compass, (561) 533-9699

Event: Community Education Series (CES)

Date/Time: 12/5/18, 6 pm – 8:30 pm

Location: Compass, 201 N Dixie Hwy, Lake Worth 33460

Feature: Guest Speaker Ed Sparan, Advocate/PrEP Linkage Specialist of The Pride Center at Equality Park; Recognize World AIDS Day and viewing of the AIDS Memorial Quilt. Dinner will be served.

Register at www.cesworldaidsday.eventbrite.com. **For more info:** Lysette, (561) 533-9699 x4007

Thursday December 6th

Sponsoring Agency: Community Health Center of West Palm Beach

Date/Time: 12/6/18, 8 am – 7 pm

Location: CHC, 2100 W 45th St, Suites A8-9, West Palm Beach 33407

Feature: Free Rapid HIV Testing

For more info: (561) 840-8681

Sponsoring Agency: FoundCare

Date/Time: 12/6/18, 10:30 am – 12 pm

Location: Palm Beach State College, 801 Palm Beach State College Dr, Boca Raton 33431

Features: Free Rapid HIV Testing, World AIDS Day Table

For more info: Quasia Cowan (561) 472-2466 x140

Sponsoring Agency: Compass Community Center

Date/Time: 12/6/18, 4 pm – 7:30 pm

Location: Compass, 201 N Dixie Hwy, Lake Worth 33460

Feature: Free Rapid HIV Testing

For more info: (561) 533-9699; Appointments can be made for other times

Sponsoring Agency: FoundCare

Date/Time: 12/6/18, 6 pm – 8 pm

Location: Paradise Lounge, 5155 W Atlantic Ave, Suite A-B, Delray Beach 33484

Features: Free Rapid HIV Testing, World AIDS Day Table

For more info: Quasia Cowan (561) 472-2466 x140

Friday December 7th

Event: Movie Screening – RENT

Date/Time: 12/7/18, 6 pm

Location: Compass, 201 N Dixie Hwy, Lake Worth 33460

Feature: Movie Screening + Free Popcorn!

For more info: Lorenzo Lowe (561) 533-9699 x4009

Monday December 10th

Sponsoring Agency: Compass Community Center

Date/Time: 12/10/18, 4 pm – 7:30 pm

Location: Compass, 201 N Dixie Hwy, Lake Worth 33460

Feature: Free Rapid HIV Testing

For more info: (561) 533-9699; Appointments can be made for other times

Tuesday December 11th

Sponsoring Agency: Compass Community Center

Date/Time: 12/11/18, 1 pm – 5:30 pm

Location: Compass, 201 N Dixie Hwy, Lake Worth 33460

Feature: Free Rapid HIV Testing

For more info: (561) 533-9699; Appointments can be made for other times

Event: Movie Screening – The Normal Heart

Date/Time: 12/11/18, 6 pm

Location: Compass, 201 N Dixie Hwy, Lake Worth 33460

Feature: Movie Screening + Free Popcorn!

For more info: Lorenzo Lowe (561) 533-9699 x4009

Thursday December 13th

Event: World AIDS Day Women’s Group (Women only)

Sponsoring Agency: Families First, TOPWA and Humana

Date/Time: 12/13/18, 10:30 am – 12:30 pm

Event Location: Bridges of Riviera Beach, 4152 W Blue Heron Blvd, #227, Riviera Beach 33404

Features: HIV Testing, Pregnancy Testing, Baby Items, Giveaways, Gift Cards, TOPWA Enrollments

Contact: Keisha (561) 721-2887, or Wanda (561) 927-5577

Sponsoring Agency: Compass Community Center

Date/Time: 12/13/18, 4 pm – 7:30 pm

Location: Compass, 201 N Dixie Hwy, Lake Worth 33460

Feature: Free Rapid HIV Testing

For more info: (561) 533-9699; Appointments can be made for other times

Event: Between the Sheets

Date/Time: 12/13/18, 6 pm – 8 pm

Location: Compass, 201 N Dixie Hwy, Lake Worth 33460

Feature: An open discussion on HIV and its effect on the young adult (18-29) population. Safer sex tips and free condoms, dental dams, and lubricant will be provided!

For more info: Dylan Brooks (561) 533-9699 x4004