

Coverage and Coverage Options:

**A Conversation on Coverage Assistance
Through a Community Based Organization**

Objectives

- **Affordable Care Act Overview**
- **Overview of PrEP**
- **Challenges in obtaining PrEP**
- **Available resources for PrEP**

The Affordable Care Act – The Basics

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO PURCHASE IN THE MARKETPLACE?



- Individuals and families who DO NOT already have access to an affordable health insurance plan through their workplace (or other coverage such as Medicare)
- Individuals who ARE offered insurance BUT the employee-only premium exceeds 9.66% of household income or the plan does not meet a 60% minimum actuarial value
- Individuals with pre-existing conditions (who meet the above criteria)

WHEN CAN COVERAGE BE PURCHASED for 2017?

The open enrollment period for coverage in 2017:

November 1, 2016 – January 31, 2017

To enroll outside of this time period individuals must qualify for a Special Enrollment Period through a qualifying life event.

WHAT IF MY PLAN DOES NOT CARRY MY PRESCRIPTION DRUGS?

Every plan sold in the Marketplace must provide a link to its drug formulary (the list of drugs that are covered under the plan).

If you already take a certain drug that you know is critical to your health, you can use this formulary to find out if your drug is covered before you sign up for coverage.



PrEP – The Basics

What is PrEP?

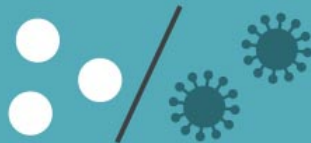
ARE YOU READY FOR PrEP?

PrEP 101

PrEP Basics

PrEP stands for
Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis

The word “prophylaxis” means
to prevent or control the spread
of an infection or disease



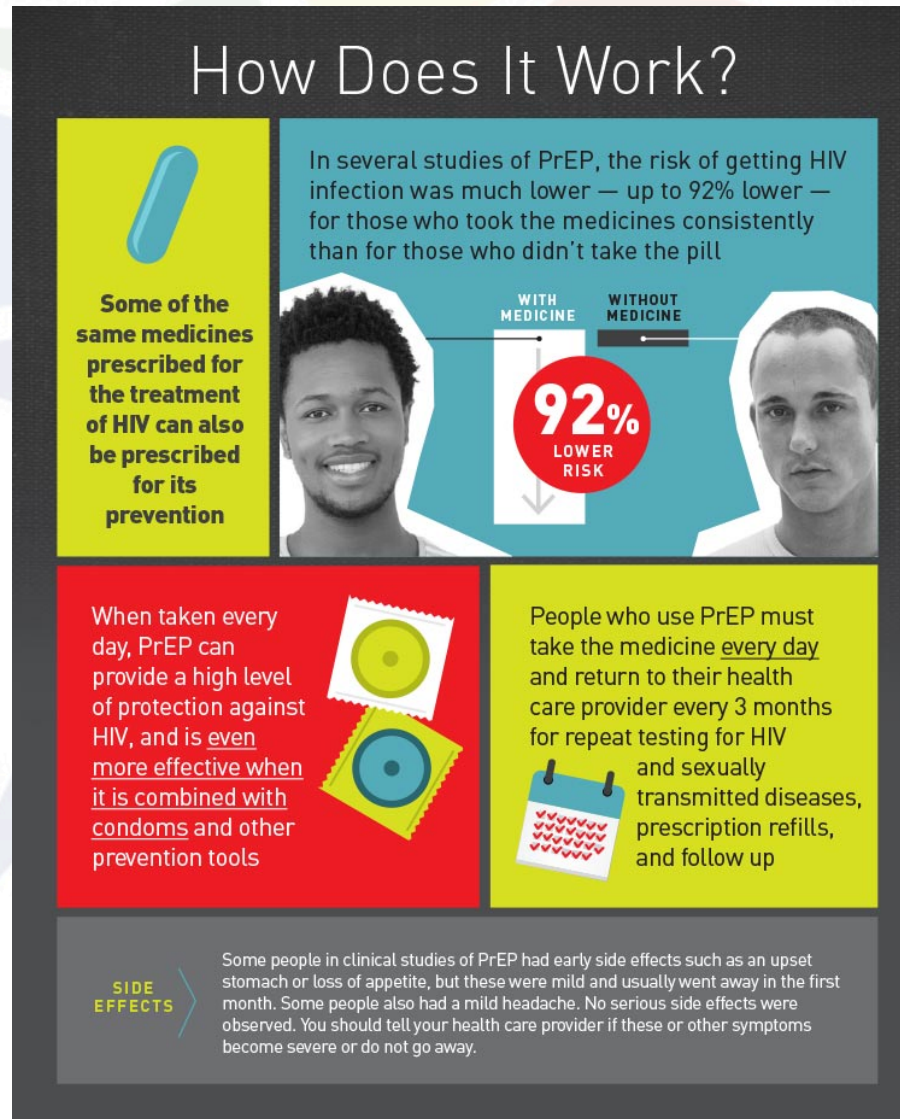
PrEP can help
prevent you from
getting HIV if you
are exposed to
the virus

PrEP is an HIV prevention
option that works by taking

**one pill
every day**




How Does PrEP Work?





How Can I Start PrEP?


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 **Talk** with your doctor or health care provider to determine if PrEP is right for you

If you and your health care provider agree that PrEP might reduce your risk of getting HIV, he or she will conduct a general physical and test you for HIV and other sexually transmitted diseases



 **Your health care provider will also do tests to see if your kidneys and liver are working well**

 If PrEP is a good option for you, your health care provider will give you a **prescription**

How Do I Pay for PrEP?

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PrEP is covered by most insurance programs



If you do not have insurance, your health care provider can direct you to medication assistance programs that may help pay for PrEP

You can also contact your local health department and HIV/AIDS service organizations for more information





Barriers to Obtaining PrEP?

- Difficulty determining eligibility
- Concerns about adherence
- Possible side effects
- Uncertainty about financial coverage
- Concerns about implementation logistics/fitting PrEP into clinical practice

Resources for Paying for PrEP

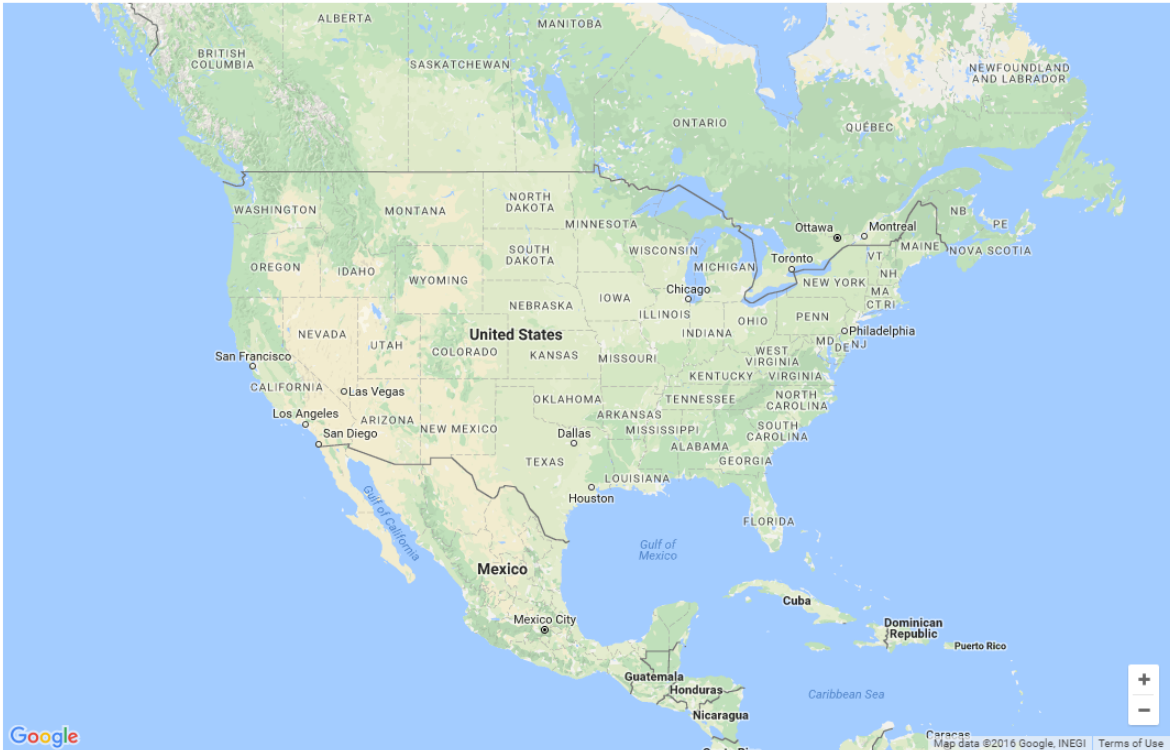
Where Can I Get PrEP?


PrEP Locator  Find Your Provider


Zip code or city & state, or full address 

☐ PrEP for uninsured

☐ PrEP access assistance



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Source: Greater Than AIDS - <http://www.greaterthan.org/get-prep/>

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Intown Primary Care

730 Ponce De Leon Pl.
Unit B
Atlanta, GA 30306
404-541-0944

Distance from your location: 2.1 miles

Dr. Melanie Thompson

619 Rankin St.
Atlanta, GA 30306
404-874-3102

Distance from your location: 2.3 miles

Dr. T. Douglas Gurley

659 Auburn Ave NE
#156
Atlanta, GA 30312
404-888-0228

Distance from your location: 2.5 miles

Infectious Disease of Atlanta, LLC

735 Piedmont Ave. NE
Atlanta, GA 30309
404-588-4680

Distance from your location: 3.1 miles

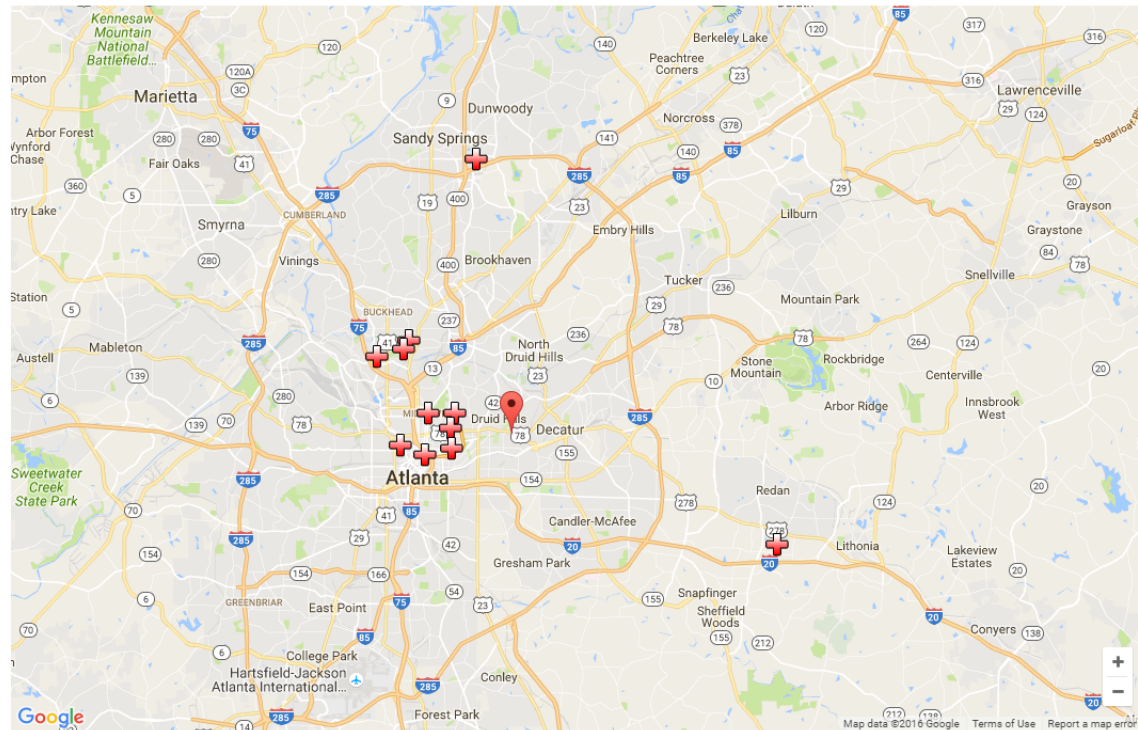
Aldredge Health Center Fulton County Department of Health and Wellness

99 Jesse Hill Jr. Dr. SE
Atlanta, GA 30303
404-613-4708

Distance from your location: 3.5 miles

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How Can I Get PrEP?

- PrEP is only available with a prescription from a health care provider.
- Many private insurance plans cover PrEP, as does Medicaid.



How Can I Get PrEP?

- If you do not have insurance, ask your health care provider about Pharmaceutical Patient Assistance Programs
- The Truvada® for PrEP Medication Assistance Program assists eligible HIV-negative adults in the United States who do not have insurance obtain access to PrEP

How Can I Get PrEP?

- Gilead's Advancing Access program provides assistance to appropriate patients who are uninsured, underinsured or who need financial assistance to pay for the medicine.
- The program offerings support services for patients and providers, including:
 - Access to counselors who can help patients and their providers with insurance-related questions, including providing information regarding coverage options.
 - The Advancing Access Copay Coupon Program, which provides co-pay assistance for eligible patients who need assistance paying for out-of-pocket medication costs.

How Can I Get PrEP?

- Link for Gilead Financial Support:

http://services.gileadhiv.com/content/pdf/gilead_enrollment_form.pdf



INSURANCE SUPPORT

Help with Coverage & Benefits >

Help When Insurance &
Coverage Changes >

Understanding Insurance >

How Can I Get PrEP?

Additional support may be available from the:

- Patient Access Network Foundation
- Patient Advocate Foundation

Source: <https://panfoundation.org/index.php/en/patients/assistance-programs/hiv-prevention-and-treatment>

Source: <https://www.copays.org/diseases/hiv-aids-and-prevention>

Additional Assistance Options

- Fulton County, GA
- Opened PrEP clinic in February of 2016
- PrEP offered at no cost to patients who are HIV-negative and who meet the medical requirements and income guidelines under Gilead's Patient Assistance Program.

Questions?



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