

Work with **serodiscordant couples** expands with an intervention to build communication skills and reduce sexual risk

Research begins on self-disclosure among **HIV-infected health care workers**

The Family Studies Program reveals that HIV-infected mothers have high rates of depression and PTSD and that their infected and their uninfected children are at risk for behavioral problems

Research on **prevention among the severely mentally ill** extends to include women

The HIV Center's international program expands to Brazil

Research focuses on risky sexual and drug use behaviors among **early adolescents with HIV-infected mothers**



Women's self-empowerment has been a major theme of the HIV Center's research, including a peer-based intervention with women on New York's Lower East Side (LES). Pictured is the LES team including its leaders, Dr. Susan Tross (left) and Dr. Theresa Exner (third from right).

HIV Center international initiatives intensify in **southern Africa and Brazil**

HIV prevention in the NIDA Drug Abuse Clinical Trials Network targets **women in methadone treatment programs**

HIV Center investigators have presented their findings around the globe, including at the 1998 International AIDS Conference in Geneva. Pictured from left to right are Dr. Joyce Hunter and Dr. Robert Remien of the HIV Center with another conference participant.



With renewed NIMH funding, the HIV Center focuses on prevention among **neglected and under-served populations**

The Healthy Living Project, a multi-city intervention to **reduce risk and promote coping and medication adherence** among people with HIV, begins

The STAR Program offers a human sexuality research training curriculum for CBOs across the U.S.

A peer activism HIV prevention program begins for **female partners of injection drug users**

An empowerment program aims to reduce unsafe sex among high risk Latino men in NYC

**Dual protection** against both HIV/STDs and pregnancy is targeted in a new intervention

A couple-based intervention to **increase medical adherence** begins

Determinants of medical **adherence among HIV+ children** are explored

The HIV Center postdoctoral training program is renewed with a focus on **human sexuality research and HIV/AIDS**



Intervention with Latino men who have sex with men has been a major area of emphasis at the HIV Center. Project LEO ("Latinos Empowering Ourselves") was led by Dr. Alex Carballo-Diéguez (second from left) and his team (left to right) including Dr. Curtis Dolezal, Dr. Luis Nieves-Rosa, and Dr. Sutherland Miller.

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TIMELINE OF THE AIDS EPIDEMIC 1996-2001

**1996** Ryan White CARE Act is reauthorized • FDA approves two protease inhibitors • **Triple combination regimens offers dramatic improvements in health** • Viral load testing begins • African-American leaders urge aggressive campaign against AIDS • Cover stories in the **media hail AIDS treatment breakthroughs** as "end of epidemic"

**1997** Warnings emerge of serious **protease inhibitor side effects** • Mother-to-child transmission declines in the U.S. • Importance of **treatment adherence** is stressed • New drug combinations extend life for PWAs • **AIDS hospitalization and deaths in U.S. decline dramatically** • 30 million people are living with HIV/AIDS worldwide

**1998** 12th International AIDS Conference emphasizes the **growing gap in HIV care between rich and poor countries** • Health GAP (Global Access Project) Coalition is established • U.S. Congress gives \$156 million to fight AIDS in Black and Latino communities • AIDS kills more people worldwide than any other infection • AIDS VAX begins **first U.S. human trial of HIV vaccine**

**1999** ACT UP protests Vice President Gore's opposition to South Africa manufacturing or purchasing generic drugs • **AIDS becomes the fourth biggest killer worldwide** • South Africa wins battle to cut drug prices • Vaccine development suffers setbacks

**2000** Ryan White CARE Act is reauthorized • **AIDS is the number one killer in Africa** • New infections among people over 50 in U.S. are double the rate of those younger • 13th International AIDS Conference is held in South Africa • U.S. President declares AIDS a national security risk • Resistance testing becomes standard of care • **Increases in treatment failure and emergence of resistant viral strains** are observed

**2001** Change in U.S. presidential administration raises concerns about continuing commitment to AIDS • Challenges of increasing **HIV and viral hepatitis co-epidemic** are recognized • Events of September 11 direct attention and funds away from AIDS