



Since 1988, the HIV Center has been training post-doctoral fellows in behavioral research in the context of HIV/AIDS and human sexuality. More than 50 fellows have graduated from the program, including the five pictured in the center of this photo. Also pictured are NYSPI Director Dr. Jeffrey Lieberman and HIV Center Director Dr. Anke A. Ehrhardt (left) and HIV Center Training Director Dr. Theo Sandfort (right). (PHOTO BY EVE VAGG)

A statewide **structural intervention to promote the female condom** is launched with the NY State AIDS Institute.

The HIV Center occupies new headquarters, gathering investigators into one shared space for the first time

Research explores the role of the **acute phase of HIV infection** in further transmission

Work begins to document HIV risk and seroprevalence among MSM in Argentina



In 2007, the HIV Center leadership, principal investigators, and staff welcomed renewed funding from NIMH for another five years. With a focus on gender, sexuality, and mental health, HIV Center researchers will continue to meet the changing research needs created by the epidemic. (PHOTO BY EVE VAGG)

The **New York/New Jersey AIDS Education and Training Center** (NY/NJ AETC) is integrated into the HIV Center

Adaptation and pilot testing of a tailored intervention for severely mentally ill adults in Brazil begin

Oral history of AIDS physicians expands to South African providers

The **MAC AIDS Fund Leadership Initiative** is launched with community leaders in South Africa

A family-based intervention to prevent risk behavior and promote mental health begins with South African HIV+ youths

A structural intervention in Cape Town, South Africa aims to **integrate reproductive health into HIV Care**

The HIV Center is approved for its fifth renewal to focus on global AIDS at the intersection of gender, sexuality, and mental health from 2008 to 2013

The fourth HIV Center renewal proposes to address sexuality and gender related to HIV prevention and living with HIV infection

Ethics-related research extends to address privacy of genetic information

Research on HIV prevention among **severely mentally ill populations extends to Brazil**

Family planning providers in China are trained to counsel their clients about dual protection

Microbicide research turns to the potential for prevention among gay men

HIV Center co-founds the **NY HIV Research Centers Consortium**

Studies begin on the role of the Internet in HIV prevention research

Studies identify both **risk and protective factors in HIV-negative youths** with HIV-positive mothers

An intervention to promote **the female condom** among college students begins in South Africa



In 2004, Dr. Zena Stein (left) retired from her position as HIV Center Co-Director after an illustrious career as a physician, epidemiologist, and public health advocate in the U.S., South Africa, and elsewhere. Dr. Anke A. Ehrhardt (right) has continued as Center Director, with Dr. Stein as Co-Director Emerita. (PHOTO BY SANDRA ELKIN)

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TIMELINE OF THE AIDS EPIDEMIC 2002-2007

2002 Budget crises raise concerns about funding of domestic AIDS programs • **Lipodystrophy**, an HIV treatment side effect, receives increased attention • 14th International AIDS Conference takes place in Barcelona • Concern escalates about **multiple drug-resistant strains** • Resurgence in STDs raises concerns about lapses in prevention

2003 U.S. makes **major commitment to AIDS treatment in the developing world** • Studies find high levels of drug resistance • HIV vaccine trials report poor results • Evidence emerges that **antiretroviral medications can be effectively used in developing world settings**

2004 15th International AIDS Conference is held in Bangkok • Increasing attention is paid to **connection between crystal meth and HIV infection** • New guidelines recommend beginning treatment when viral load hits 100,000 • **95% of those with AIDS live in the developing world**

2005 Scare over rapidly progressing drug resistant "superbug" in NYC man proves unfounded • **FDA begins approving generic AIDS drugs**, enabling U.S.-funded programs to provide more cost-effective treatment to poorer nations • AZT's patent expires, and FDA approves several generic versions • Entry inhibitors are developed

2006 16th International AIDS Conference is held in Toronto • Ryan White CARE Act is reauthorized by Congress • World marks **25th anniversary of the first appearance of AIDS** in the medical literature on June 5, 1981

2007 FDA approves **first integrase inhibitor for HIV** • Estimates of those currently HIV-infected are revised downward to 32 million by UNAIDS • Estimates of new HIV infections in the U.S. are revised upwards to over 50,000 a year by CDC • **More than 25 million people are believed to have died of AIDS since 1981**, with current rates of about 3 million deaths per year