

What Is the Medical Monitoring Project (MMP)?

MMP is a supplementary surveillance project designed to learn more about the experiences and needs of people who are living with HIV. Funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), MMP is conducted by state and local health agencies in collaboration with CDC.

MMP collects locally and nationally representative behavioral and medical record data from adults living with HIV and helps to answer questions such as:



- How many people living with HIV are receiving medical care for HIV?
- How easy is it to access medical care, prevention, and support services?
- What are the met and unmet needs of people living with HIV?
- How is treatment affecting people living with HIV?

MMP data can be used to guide policy, program planning, and funding decisions around HIV care engagement, retention, and quality.

These data can be used to highlight disparities in HIV care, identify barriers to care, and advocate for improved resources.



Florida is one of 23 jurisdictions in the United States participating in MMP.

The number of individuals sampled in each area depends on the size of the jurisdiction and ranges from 100 to 800.

In Florida, MMP samples 800 people living with HIV each cycle with a goal of achieving at least a 47% participation rate.



Eligibility

To participate, sampled individuals must:

- Be alive and 18 years of age or older on or prior to the sampling date (December 31)
- Reside in an MMP jurisdiction on the sampling date
- Confirm they were diagnosed with HIV on or prior to the sampling date

How Are MMP Data Collected?

Recruitment

MMP staff recruit those sampled to participate in the health survey via letters and telephone calls.



Consent

Contacted persons must provide informed consent agreeing to participate in the interview and have their medical records abstracted.



Interview

- MMP staff conduct interviews, which last about 60 minutes, over the phone or face to face.
- The individual receives a \$25 certificate as a token of appreciation.



Medical Record Abstraction

- Records are abstracted for all participants receiving HIV care.
- Records are abstracted for the previous two years.
- The individual receives a \$25 certificate as a token of appreciation.
- Access to records can be obtained through surveillance authority if necessary.



All information collected is private and confidential and no information that can identify the individual participating in MMP is sent to the CDC or shared with anyone outside of the program.

The individual's answers are grouped with answers from other people participating in the project so that no person's answers will be individually identifiable.

HIV Care Providers and MMP

- HIV care providers are essential to the success of MMP.
- Providers are permitted to disclose health information for MMP under HIPAA for public health projects.
- Providers can increase the awareness of MMP among their patients.
- Providers can verify the validity of the project with their patients who are sampled to address concerns they may have about participating.
- MMP encourages participants who are not in care to re-engage with their providers.

Community Advisory Board

- MMP works with a national Community Advisory Board (CAB) made up of one representative from each project area.
- The purpose of CAB is to support the project and serve as a link between MMP staff and sampled individuals.
- CAB members ensure people living with HIV have a voice at the state and national level.

Provider Advisory Board

- CDC convenes a national Provider Advisor Board (PAB) made up of one provider from each project area.
- The purpose of PAB is to foster collaboration between MMP staff and HIV care providers.
- PAB guides the dissemination of information about MMP to the medical community and provides additional input and guidance as needed.

For More Information on Florida MMP



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