

**PRESIDENTIAL ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HIV/AIDS
PREVENTION / TREATMENT & CARE COMMITTEE**

**HIV REPORTING
MOTION**

WHEREAS timely and accurate data are essential elements to the development of sound public health policies, and

WHEREAS the reporting of AIDS cases has been required for many years in all states and territories in the United States, and

WHEREAS the use of such data has been critical in tracking disease trends, monitoring health outcomes, and allocating resources, and

WHEREAS there is an inherent need for uniformity in data reports to ensure greater accuracy, more relevant comparisons, and less duplication of reported cases, and

WHEREAS the use of HIV data has been shown to reflect current trends better than AIDS data,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT PACHA urge the President and the Secretary to work with the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and the states and territories to develop data systems that report on HIV cases, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that HIV cases become the standard for data reporting in regards to HIV/AIDS.

PASSED

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TREATMENT & CARE SUBCOMMITTEE**

WHEREAS the care and treatment of persons living with HIV/AIDS is a high priority for this Administration and an important part of an effective national public health strategy, and

WHEREAS the Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resources Emergency (CARE) Act, provides primary care, treatment and essential support services to approximately 533,000 underserved people living with HIV/AIDS, and

WHEREAS the Ryan White CARE Act will need to be reauthorized in 2005 in order to continue to provide federal funding, and

WHEREAS The Ryan White CARE Act has achieved its primary goal of providing comprehensive care to people who would not otherwise have been able to access it with fifty percent of clients living below the federal poverty line; more than 90 percent with no private health insurance and almost two-thirds that are racial and ethnic minorities, then

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Presidential Advisory Council on HIV/AIDS (PACHA) supports the reauthorization of the Ryan White CARE Act, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Secretary of Health and Human Services and the President of the United States work closely with members of Congress to ensure timely reauthorization of the Ryan White CARE Act in 2005 bearing in mind the following principles:

1. Federal resources should focus on ensuring that all underserved HIV+ Americans have access to a core set of services including primary medical care, medications, case management, oral health, mental health/substance abuse treatment and support services that foster adherence to life-sustaining medications and allow people to stay in care.
2. HIV/AIDS care, treatment and prevention should be guided by proven public health strategies and based on current scientific knowledge.
3. Provide greater flexibility to target Ryan White CARE Act resources better to address areas of greatest need, especially emerging populations and the chronically underserved.
4. Strengthen the Minority AIDS Initiative to expand capacity in minority communities and fund minority-serving providers.
5. Ensure access, at **best possible** pricing, to all medically necessary medications, including antiretrovirals, opportunistic infection treatment and prophylaxis, co-infections including hepatitis C, co-morbidities including mental illnesses and side effects associated with both HIV.
6. Ensure the integration of HIV prevention services into primary care.
7. Ensure accountability for all providers of Ryan White CARE Act funded services.

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