HIV Among Hispanics, Michigan

Number of Cases and Recent Trends:
- The MDCH estimates that 860 Hispanic persons are living with HIV in Michigan.
- Hispanics comprise 5 percent of all HIV infections in Michigan.

Demographics:
- Counties with more than five cases of HIV reported in Hispanic persons are shown in the map below. Eight out of seventeen of the counties are on the Lake Michigan shoreline or just East of it, most likely due to the large population of migrant workers.
- In the Detroit area, as many as 1 out of 370 Hispanic males and 1 out of 1,040 Hispanic females may be infected with HIV.
- In Outstate Michigan, 1 out of 450 Hispanic males and 1 out of 1,440 Hispanic females may be infected with HIV.

Other Facts:
- The Hispanic population has a rate of HIV infection that is over two times that of the white population in Michigan.
- Fifty-two percent of AIDS cases in Hispanics were concurrently diagnosed with HIV, which is higher than both black and white persons, indicating late testing and/or inadequate levels of care.
- Hispanics have the highest percentage of unmet need with 51 percent of HIV-positive Hispanics not receiving care during 2009.

Program Efforts:
- Hispanics account for 5 percent of persons receiving publicly funded HIV care services.
- The MDCH funds a targeted testing program for Hispanic men who have sex with men (MSM).
- Each year, the MDCH works with the Hispanic community to support National Latino AIDS Awareness Day activities, which in 2010 was Salva Una Vida. Podria Ser La Tuya. Hazte Le Prueba Del VIH. This focused on reducing stigma, providing bi-lingual education and prevention materials as well as testing.

Prevalence Rates for Hispanic Persons

Rate per 100,000

- 0
- 1 - 106
- 107 - 132
- 133 - 210
- 211 - 286