Enhancing Engagement and Retention in HIV Prevention and Care in Youth Communities

The HEAT Program Staff
2016 HIV Street Outreach & HEI Case Management Conference on HIV and Substance Use
Austin, TX
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Overview

• HEAT Program & serving youth populations: Jennifer Lee
• Young Women’s Program: Tiffanie Patterson and Amelia Williams
• HIV/STI Testing: Dorothea Golden “Thea”
• PrEP for youth: Damian Bird
• LGBT/Kiki Coalition: Tina Jones “TJ”
• Infini-T Project & community mobilization: Jonovia Chase
• YMSM Program: Jennifer Lee
• **HEAT** - the only program of its kind in Brooklyn to offer age/developmentally appropriate, and culturally competent comprehensive care for HIV+ and at-risk youth, aged 13-24.
• “one-stop shopping” model, where HIV care is provided by an interdisciplinary team.
• **HEAT** has focused HIV related clinical programming for perinatally infected youth, young women of color, YMSM and transgender youth.
• **HEAT** also serves high risk youth from the above populations categories who are HIV negative, providing HIV C/T, STD screening and treatment, PrEP/PEP services, hormonal therapy (transgender), mental health counseling and an array of prevention services.
• Medical:
  – Primary care services
  – Referrals to support services (medical case management)

• Programs:
  – Young women
  – LGBTQ/HBC
  – Youth of trans experience
  – YMSM/young gay men
Core Elements of a Successful Adolescent Care Program

- Culturally competent clinic providers who enjoy working with youth and are familiar with YMSM issues
- Staff that can relate to the “world” youth live in
- Youth-friendly space in a discrete location; removal of barriers for youth
- Comprehensive and multidisciplinary services
- “One Stop Shopping” principle vs. care by referral
- Grant funding
- Outreach materials and activities culturally relevant to specific youth populations (eg. YMSM, transgender, etc)
- On-site prevention services (HIV C/T, PrEP, etc)
- Key partnerships (community based organizations, “Brooklyn Knows”)

HIV Care Setting Matters!
Adolescent HIV Care Model

• Youth-centered and multidisciplinary care; provider may have minimal to no relationship with parent/care giver
• Youth-centered care model is key to retention in care and viral load suppression rates remaining high
• primary care approach integrated into HIV care
• youth often does not disclose HIV status or sexuality to family
• issues of confidentiality and consent; care usually offered in discreet, teen-friendly and intimate setting
• teen services core to clinic-sexuality, pelvic examinations/Pap smears, STD screening and tx, reproductive health, substance use, rights to confidentiality and consent, treatment education and adherence approaches
What are the unique issues of adolescence that put all adolescents and young adults at risk for HIV/AIDS and other STDs?
Hallmarks of Adolescent Development Which Contribute to Sexual Risk

• Sense of immortality
• Risk taking is the norm
• Emerging sense of identity
• Emerging sense of autonomy and independence
• Challenging authority figures
• Experimentation with sex and gradual development of sexual identity
• Experimentation with substance use
• Peer pressure
Youth at Risk for HIV

- Young males who have sex with other males regardless of their sexual identity
- Heterosexually active females
- Transgender youth
- “Ballroom” community
- Sexually abused
- Survival sex
- Teen pregnancy
- Youth in foster care system
- Homeless youth
- Substance using youth
- Youth in justice system
- Long term survivors of perinatal HIV infection
Youth Rights to Consent and Confidentiality in NYS

- STD screening and treatment
- Family planning/birth control
- Prenatal care
- Termination of pregnancy
- HIV counseling and testing
- HIV care
- Substance abuse treatment
- Mental health services
Snapshot of Youth in Care, October 2015

• 138 youth in care during the 2015 calendar year
• 20 cases transitioned into adult care
• Transmission categories:
  – 44 MSM
  – 66 perinatal (35 males/31 females)
  – 17 heterosexual females
  – 10 transgender MTF
  – 1 heterosexual male
HEAT’s Response to HIV/AIDS in Youth Communities

- Outreach
- In-Reach
- HIV counseling and testing
- Prevention
- HIV care
- PrEP services
- Community Mobilization (local, state, national)
  - CBPR
HIV Counseling & Testing

- HEAT tests >1000 youth ages 13-24 years per year, overwhelmingly in community based settings (HEAT’s events! *see flyers* + partner agencies)

- “House Calls”:
  - OraQuick Advance oral swab, INSTI, Allere
  - HCV rapid tests and syphilis Health Check rapid test
  - STI (gon/chl) also provided in the field
  - PrEP/PEP discussion and screenings conducted
Linkage to Care

- Linkage is facilitated by HEAT field staff that performed the testing
- All outreach staff are trained to conduct **ALL** previously mentioned tests
- All outreach staff are trained in **ARTAS**
- In-house clinic HIV testing uses hospital-based 4\(^{th}\) generation test + referrals from different departments (ED, PEDS, etc.)
- PrEP screening and assessments services are performed in community based settings routinely as part of HIV/STI C/T as well as linkage into the clinic for PrEP and PEP treatment/services
The Beginning......
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• HEAT’s YWOC Program was established in June 2010 with funding from the AIDS Institute.

• The goal of the program is to reach young women at risk for HIV/AIDS & STD’s and connect them to medical care.

• The YWOC Program reaches over 1,000 young women annually through our workshops, DEBI’s, outreach endeavors and clinical care.
#whatwedo

• 2 CDC DEBI’s for young women and girls ages 13-24  SISTA & SIHLE
#whatwedo......

• Sexual & Reproductive Health Workshops
  • Curriculum Development
    • Patient Navigation
  • Street Outreach
• Attend Community Events
  • Plan Special Events
• Trainings for Peer Educators
#wherewedoit

- High Schools
- Junior High Schools
- Colleges
- Detention Centers
- Alternative to Incarceration Programs
  - CBO’s & FBO’s
  - Community Centers
  - Shelters & Group Homes
    - Churches
    - Conferences
- Anywhere people will have us!
#weouthere – Street Outreach

- Annual summer street outreach events

- Street outreach events take place throughout Brooklyn, with a special focus on areas that have a high prevalence of HIV/STD’s such as........

- Brownsville, East New York, Crown Heights, Flatbush, Canarsie, Red-Hook, Bed-Stuy, Fort Green
HEAT Outreach Essentials
#ourborough
Educate The Youth – HEAT Workshops

• HIV 101
• STD’s 101
• Hip Hop & Sexual Health
  • Media & Self Esteem
  • Sexual Jeopardy
• Birth Control Jeopardy
• Healthy Relationships
• Friendships & Bullying
  • Stress Management
• Body Image & Self Esteem
Community Events

HEAT participates in various community events throughout the year by tabling & providing HIV/STI Testing services

• DOHMH Brooklyn Knows / New York Knows Events
  • Iris House Annual Women as the face of AIDS Conference
  • GMHC’s Annual Girls Summer Showcase
• THEO’s Annual BATES Conference & Theater Festival
  • Numerous health fairs & street fairs
Turn up’s & Mix up’s – Events!

HEAT
Health & Education Alternatives for Teens

Presents
Girls Glam Beauty & Wellness Day!

May 27, 2016  #glam2016

THE HEAT PROGRAM
Rebirth Of The Amazon Fashion Show

JUNE 23, 2012
ROULETTE
500 ATLANTIC AVE
FASHION FOR ALL
MAKE UP AND PHOTOGRAPHY BY: DURELL MORGAN
Turn up’s & Mix up’s Continued....
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#longnight – Girls Glam Prep
Skate Party Moments...
HEAT - Sex, Fun & Games Valentine’s Day Party
Atlantic Antic – Outreach & Testing
HIV Testing

GET TESTED AND CARRY ON.
Testing Technologies

• OraQuick
• INSTI
• ALERE
• Syphilis
• Hep-C
TESTING OUTREACH

• Finding safe spaces

• Networking

• Team Work

FREE STI TESTING
~ CHLAMYDIA
~ GONORRHEA
~ SYPHILIS

* INCENTIVE FOR TESTING IS A TARGET

GiftCard

TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT CALL
718-467-4446
TESTING WILL BE DONE AT
THE HEAT PROGRAM BROOKLYN
Community Partners

- CBOs - Community Based Originations
- Schools
- New York / Brooklyn Knows Testing
- Colleges
- Churches
Skate Take Over

Featuring DJ Byrell the Great
Performance by: Masterz At Work

Time: 5:30 PM -- 9 PM
LeFrak Center at Lakeside
171 East Dr, Brooklyn, NY 11225

June 23rd, 2016

Entertainment - Testing - Fun - Food * Kitchen Closes at 8pm *
HEAT TESTING EVENTS

- Balls
- Safe Sex Party
- Skate Party
- Girl’s GLAM
What is PrEP?

- PrEP is a medication intervention used to prevent HIV infection through the use of a daily well tolerated antiretroviral pill
- Currently, Truvada is the only medication approved by the FDA to be used for PrEP
- Truvada in an HIV medication pill made of two antiretroviral drugs (tenofovir disoproxil fumarate (aka TDF) and emtricitabine (aka FTC))
Response To PrEP Among Youth

Are you sexually active?  
Do you worry about catching HIV?  
Maybe PrEP can help.
SUNY Downstate Medical Center is now offering PrEP services.  
One pill once a day is all it takes.

Is your boyfriend or girlfriend HIV positive?  
Are you as safe as you can be?  
Are you trying to get pregnant but worry about catching HIV?  
Maybe PrEP can help.
SUNY Downstate Medical Center is now offering PrEP services.  
One pill once a day is all it takes.

Contact us at 718-270-4375

PrEP: Live and Love without Fear of HIV
STAY PROTECTED EVEN WHEN YOU’RE VOGUEING

WHAT IS PrEP?

An HIV prevention method in which people who do not have HIV practice a method to reduce their risk of becoming infected.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON PrEP Contact
THE HEAT PROGRAM

WWW.HEATPROGRAM.ORG  718-467-4446
Nationally: PrEP Use and Adherence among Youth

• US PrEP Demonstration Project (NIAID funded)
  – first study assessing the feasibility, acceptability and safety of delivering PrEP to MSM and TGW in sexually transmitted disease (STD) clinics and a community health center
  – 3 Site enrollment
    • San Francisco and Miami (9/2012-11/2013)
    • DC (8/2013-1/2014)
Nationally: PrEP Use and Adherence among Youth

• Findings: >50% use of PrEP by Black, Latino, YMSM
  – MSM who were:
    • black and Latino, younger, and individuals, and lower educational level were less likely to self-refer
    • very few TGW were assessed for participation
  – A need
    1. reach out to these populations
    2. increase PrEP awareness and interest
    3. ensure that PrEP is available at sites where young MSM of color and TGW seek sexual health services.
Nationally: PrEP Use and Adherence among Youth

• Project PrEPare (ATN082): Chicago, IL (2012)
  • 58 participants 18-22 years of age
  • 53% Black and 40% Latino
  • Adherence to the medication dropped from 62% at 4 weeks to 20% at week 24) (2012)

• I Am Men’s Health Study: Philadelphia, PA (2013)
  – 28 participants 17-26 years of age
  – 57% Black and 9% Latino
  – The average adherence was 79% at 16 weeks, and 88% after week 28 (2013)

• More research needs to be done (small sample sizes)
HEAT Program: PrEP History

- The HEAT began providing PrEP services in 2014 as part of the AIDS Institute's (AI) Targeted PrEP Implementation Program (TPIP).

- TPIP was looking into the issues affecting different sections of the state when it came to implementing PrEP among MSM of diverse backgrounds and ages in NYS.

- As the only youth-oriented program in the TPIP, we showed how adolescent and young adult clients have some very difficult challenges in accessing PrEP services, particularly related to confidentiality and insurance issues (EOB letters).
HEAT Program: PrEP History

• Noting the difficulties that other agencies were facing when trying to provide PrEP services to youth AI organized the PrEP for Adolescents Statewide Forum which occurred on 11/18/2015

• Dr. Birnbaum presented at the forum on what we were seeing here at HEAT as we sought to increase PrEP use among youth
HEAT Program: PrEP History

• Key Issues Raised:
  1. Update Public Health Law (EOB, <18 consenting to PrEP ---- Sending Letter to our clinic
  2. Increase Funding and Expand Payment Options
  3. Frame Key Issues More Effectively (This is a Public Health Issue)
  4. Expand Training and Education
  5. Expand Outreach to Youth
HEAT Program: PrEP Clients

- Since 2015 we have started 22 clients on PrEP and provided nPEP to 5 clients
  - Most of our clients are MSM, some TGW
- Referral to PrEP and nPEP
  - Many of our referral are through our community partners such as HMI/The Door and our HIV+ (partner referral)
  - Most of our nPEP patients found us thru the NYC DOHMH website
What are Youth Saying about PrEP: Barriers and Facilitators to Use

- PrEP discussions causes LGBT youth to consider behavior
  - “If I’m on that (PrEP) then I’m not doing what I’m suppose to be doing” - Discussion with Client who tested positive for an STI (Stigma)
  - Gold standard has been set so high that not maintaining that level can cause shame - Personal experience
PrEP in Context of Health Inequalities

• PrEP-AP only available in two states (NYS, Washington)
• Top 10 highest diagnosis metropolitan areas in the US
  – Top 9 areas are in the south (Baton Rouge, Miami, N. Orleans, Jackson, Orlando, Memphis, ATL, Columbia, Jacksonville)
• African Americans/Latinos highest percentage of new HIV diagnoses in the US
• Most to gain from PrEP But lower participation rate than that of Whites
The Kiki Coalition

What is it?
WHAT IS A KIKI?

• In order to discuss a kiki we must first talk about ball room scene and what that is...
Core Values of the Kiki Coalition

• **Pride**- We believe everyone deserves to live proud of who they are without fear of or experiencing discrimination and maltreatment, particularly as it concerns one’s sexual orientation or gender identity/expression.

• **Resilience**- The house and ball communities have thrived through immense hardships, and we hope to support this same strength to have self-determination and live happy, productive lives.
Core Values of the Kiki Coalition

• **Safety and Wellness**- We believe everyone should have a safe space where they are free to express themselves and thrive in physical, emotional and mental health.

• **Allyship**- As a coalition of organizations working with a historically oppressed community, we believe our role is to support and aid the community and serve as allies, with a relationship founded on accountability.

• **Social Justice**- We understand the intersectionality of many issues LGBTQ youth face in their daily lives, so we support social justice on every level and for everyone, regardless of race, religion, socioeconomic status, sexual orientation, gender identity/expression, or any other wrongful basis for discrimination.
Youth have input

• The LGBT Youth come up with the categories and what themes we usually come up with
• They help Youth Pridefest one of our staple annual events
• They also showcase their talent with poetry, singing, dancing, and artwork
youth pridefest
2009
FOR LGBTQ YOUTH UNDER 25
SATURDAY
JULY 25th
5pm-10pm

ENTER TO WIN PRIZES!!
FACE!
DANCE OFF!
RUNWAY!
REALNESS!
PERFORMANCE!

FREE FOOD!!
FREE ADMISSION!!
ENTERTAINMENT! RAFFLES!

NATIONAL BLACK THEATRE
(2031 5th Ave., between 125th and 126th Streets)
2 3 4 5 6

Contact: Megan (mcrowley@healthsolutions.org or 646.619.6677)
youth pridefest 2009 @ national black theatre

$333 GRAND PRIZE RUNWAY $333
BRING IT INSPIRED BY YOUR FAVORITE ANIMAL
WITH COUTURE TWIST!

MINI GRAND PRIZE FACE
BRING IT AS THE ASIAN ELEMENTS WHETHER IT'S
FIRE, WATER, EARTH, WIND, AND WOOD OR METAL.
INCORPORATE IT INTO YOUR OUTFIT AND/OR FACE.
THINK OVER THE TOP & BE CREATIVE!

I WEAR - MY BAG & EYE WEAR
THE CATEGORY SPEAKS FOR ITSELF. IT'S ALL ABOUT
THE EYE & BAG. THE TWIST IS NO LABELS
JUST KNOCK OFFS!

SATURDAY JULY 25th 5pm-10pm

FREE ADMISSION!!

PERFORMANCE
BRING IT IN AN OVAH SHIRT
WITH A JEAN. MAKE SURE YOUR SHIRT
IS CREATIVE & UNIQUE. PLEASE
FIND A CREATIVE WAY TO ADD
A SAFER SEX MESSAGE TO YOUR SHIRT!

DANCE OFF
WE PLAY THE BEAT, YOU GO OFF!

REALNESS
BRING IT IN A SUMMER LOOK!

ARRIVE AT 5PM TO PARTICIPATE IN THE BALL
YOUTH PRIDEFEST 2011
THE NO SHADE BALL
SATURDAY, JULY 16, 2011 3PM-10PM

TABLEING 3P-6P (YOU MUST VISIT 5 TABLES IN ORDER TO WALK)
PERFORMANCES BY: PRETTY KITTY'S, DA NEW BREED, AND A
VERY SPECIAL GUEST!
COMMENTATORS: THE ICON SYMBA SNAPPLE & THE LEGENDARY
HALL OF FAMER KAMARI XPRADAGANZA

$$$$ MINI GRAND OTA SWITCH: WE KNOW YOU FOR THIS, BUT
MAKE US KNOW THAT. 2 PARTS: 1ST HALF BRING TO US THE
CATEGORY YOU'RE KNOWN FOR; 2ND PART: BRING TO US THE
ULTIMATE GAG FACTOR CATEGORY YOU ALWAYS WANTED TO
WALK. BEST SURPRISE FACTOR WINS!

$$ LABELS FOR LESS: DONE FROM HEAD TO TOE, AND YOU MUST
KNOW WHAT YOU ARE WEARING. DON'T SPEND OVER $150 AND
BRING YOUR RECEIPTS!

$$ OTA REALNESS: SCHOOLBOI VS PRETTYBOI VS THUG VS
BUTCH // BQID VS FQ IN ANYTHING GREEN, THE UNIVERSAL
COLOR OF RESPECT!

NEW VOGUE: YOU'VE BEEN WAITING TO GET OUT THERE FOR
MONTHS AND NOWS THE TIME! BRING IT WITH CREATIVE GREEN
MAKEUP!

$ OTA FACE: IN HONOR OF THE COLOR GREEN (RESPECT) WE
WANT TO SEE NATURAL BEAUTY. (NO DRAMATIC MAKEUP)

BQ UP IN PUMPS: 5 INCHES OR BETTER, BE PREPARED TO WALK,
JUMP, AND SKIP-TO-MY-LOU!

$$ WOMEN'S PERFORMANCE VS FEMALE FIGURE
PERFORMANCE: WOMEN (LIL' KIM) VS BQID/FQ (NICKI MINAJ)

OTA TRIPLE THREAT: FACE, REALNESS, & SEX APPEAL

$ DIPOLLOGY: YOU'VE BEEN IN THE STUDIO PRACTICING THIS DIP
FOR WEEKS! TONIGHT BRING US A SHOW-STOPPING DIP AND BE
PREPARED TO BATTLE IT OUT...DIP FOR DIP!

$$$$ GRAND PRIZE RUNWAY AS A HOUSE: IN PEACE AND
PROGRESS, THE KIKI PARENT COALITION CREATED THE NO
SHADE CAMPAIGN IN ORDER REDUCE AND EVENTUALLY
ELIMINATE THE SHADE AND SHAME WITHIN THE KIKI SCENE.
TONIGHT WE WANT TO SEE YOU BRING TO LIFE A CREATIVE NO
SHADE AS A HOUSE PRODUCTION, USING GREEN, THE

CHURCH OF ST. ANTHONY
154 SULLIVAN STREET NEW YORK, NY 10012
Know Your Pride
THEN, NOW, & FOREVER!

YOUTH PRIDE FEST
Saturday, July 27TH 2013
Judson Memorial Church
55 Washington Square S
New York, NY 10012
Free Admission

Food, Give-a-Ways, Talent Show, & Mini-Ball!

Mini-Ball Categories

O.T.A. Face: Pride King and Queen
Will you be crowned or will you be slayed?

Male Figure Performance:
Live Out Loud Come in a color of the rainbow

Realness:
MF Flamboyant Colors / FF in a Rainbow accessory

Streetwear:
Be Proud in your style. Bring it in a trend Past present or future

Runway:
Bizarre Runway Every float has a theme, what’s yours?

Grand-Prize:
FF Performance (FQ & Drag Only)
your in control of your pride, come in all black dominating effect with an all black lip. you will have to provide the judges with a spoken safe sex message on why prevention is important in the Trans Community!

N R to 8th Street station
1 to Christopher Street station
A B C D E F M to West 4th Street station

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Youth Pride fest 2013
A crowded, cheering on their House members from the sideline
The House of OLD Navy Ball
A mean dip about to happen caught beautifully on camera
A Young LGBT Youth HAPPY To Win BEATS HEAD Phones 😊
WORKSHOPS...
The INFINI-T Program

- **Infini-T** is a 5 year demonstration project funded by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Special Projects of National Significance (SPNS) under the Ryan White Care Act to address health disparities affecting HIV+ TG women.
- **Infini-T** is one of 8 projects funded nationally to identify, engage, and retain HIV+ TG young women in HIV care; **Infini-T** is also recruiting an HIV- comparison group of TG young women
- **Infini-T** evaluates HEAT’s multidisciplinary care model for transgender youth (HIV+/HIV-) as an intervention for engagement and retention in care
INFINI-T Program Goals

• Early identification of newly-diagnosed cases of HIV in TG young women and timely entry into TG/HIV care at HEAT and around NYC

• Engagement in mental health, psychosocial, and supportive services for TG young women

• Increase the retention rates of TG young women already receiving TG and/or HIV medical care;
Participants In Infini-T

- HEAT part of consortium of 8 sites across the US providing transgender women of color who are HIV+ through a HRSA/SPNS Initiative to engage and retain transgender women of color into care

- Enrollment through the HEAT Program and its partners – Hetrick Martin Institute, Callen-Lorde Community Health Center, etc.

- Surveys done by participants privately on computer assisted technology
Enrollment and Surveys

• Surveys developed by the 8 sites and UCSF
• We are reporting on several areas of interest
• Sociodemographics – age, ethnicity, insurance, etc.
• Transgender identity/body image
• Transgender violence/transgender phobia/discrimination
• Discrimination
• Mental health
• Provider cultural competence
• HIV care
• Transgender care
JUST ONE OF THE GIRLS
Supporting Communities Beyond Providing Services
Show UP !!

It is important that we not only provide services, but support community in places that matter.

• Rallies
• Town Halls
• Conferences
• Marches
• Visuals
HAVE A VOICE !!

Be involved in the processes that help implement change in policies that directly affect communities you work for.
• LGBT HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES NETWORK
• NYC HOMELESS COALITION
• KIKI COALITION
• NATIONAL HOUSE BALL COMMUNITY CHANGE COALITION
• DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH’S NEW YORK KNOWS & BROOKLYN KNOWS INITIATIVE
• Transgender & Gender Non-Conforming Advisory for Ending The Epidemic (ETE)
• Ballroom House and Pageant Conference (Dallas, Texas)
GHMC’s Annual AIDS Walk
HEAT’s YMSM Program

- Involves youth in different communities
- Host House Ball “kiki” events to engage youth in the community on their own turf
- Linkage to other [social] services (education, employment, etc.)
- PrEP/PEP services
- DEBI’s – 3MV
- Home Grown Interventions: Vogue Theory and 3MV+
Specific Healthcare Needs of YMSM/Gay Youth

- Outreach to “ballroom” community and other venues for MSM/gay male youth are necessary to bring youth into care settings.
- Disclosure of sexuality in general as well as how it relates to engagement in care and HAART or PrEP adherence.
- Mental health issues: increased suicide rates, social isolation, peer support.
- High rates of homelessness.
- Clinical expertise in dealing with syphilis, anal STDs (e.g. anal Pap smears, herpes, Gc/chlamydia, etc.)
Issues Impacting HIV Testing
YMSM/HBC

• Post-test counseling for an HIV+ youth in a house ball setting can be challenging-ballroom environment, presence of other house members outside HIV testing area; mental health staff; stigma issues pose a major barrier to linkage to care

• Linkage to care is essential to any successful HIV testing effort with YMSM & TG youth:
  • Peer outreach/navigation services
  • Fostering relationships with house leaders
  • Offering HIV care that is perceived by youth as “safe” and addresses all confidentiality concerns
  • SOCIAL MEDIA
  • Meeting youth where they are at
THE HEAT PROGRAM PRESENTS

THE MOTHERLAND BALL 2.0

THURSDAY
NOVEMBER 13TH 2014
3PM

RESTORATION PLAZA
1368 FULTON STREET
BROOKLYN NY 11216
*A BLOCK FROM THE LAB*

HEAT PROGRAM PRESENTS:
MAY 4TH, 2013

THE RED HOUSE OF Louboutin
BALL

ROULETTE
509 ATLANTIC AVENUE, BROOKLYN, NY 11217
2, 3, 4, 5 TRAINS TO ATLANTIC TERMINAL

DOORS OPEN: 6PM | ADMISSION: FREE
FOOD, CASH PRIZES, PHOTOGRAPHY,
ONSITE HIV/STI TESTING
3MV+

• an adaptation of the 3MV curriculum

• targets Black YMSM 13-24 years who are already HIV+

• important tool for reducing horizontal transmission of HIV infection to new partners by personal risk

• protecting themselves from re-infection with HIV as well as other STDs

• adaptation would focus on the role of engagement in care, HAART adherence, CD4/viral load, STD presence, and the overall mental and physical health for HIV+ young people.

• improved emotional health
Keeping Sexy Safe
April 17th
2013
@ HMI
4:30pm

Metro Cards
Food
Incentives $$

3MV
MANY MEN MANY VOICES

To Sign up or learn more
Contact JoeJo Pucci
Jovonte.Foster@Downstate.edu
Desk: 718-282-1771
Vogue Theory

- A “home-grown” seven week group level intervention piloted by HEAT
- In response to seeing the limitations of existing interventions, especially in the area of self-discipline, community-building and leadership development
- Teaches youth how to vogue in the Balls as a means of instilling self-esteem, team-building, leadership skills and to curb the social isolation many YMSM experience.
- Promotes positive youth development and creates a sense of community
- Builds self-esteem by improving their vogueing skills and connecting with their peers
- The goal is that this positive self worth, along with HIV risk reduction education and access to comprehensive services at HEAT, will lead to reduced risk taking
Vogue Theory
Monday's Cycle
September 14th, 2015
4pm-7:30pm

Wednesday's Cycle
September 16th, 2015
5pm-8:30pm

*7 Week Cycles*

The Door
555 Broome Street
New York, NY 10013
Metro Cards, Food, $$$

Contact Us to Sign Up
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VOGUE THEORY
CLASS STARTS
AUG 14th @
4:30pm

7 Week Experience
WEDNESDAYs AT
HMI

FOOD
METROS $$$

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