

Is PrEP for Me: Addressing PrEP Disparities for Black People (A 2-part Series)

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PrEP In **BLACK** **AMERICA**

"We can't say PrEP is a success in America until Black America has benefited from it."

- Leisha McKinley-Beach
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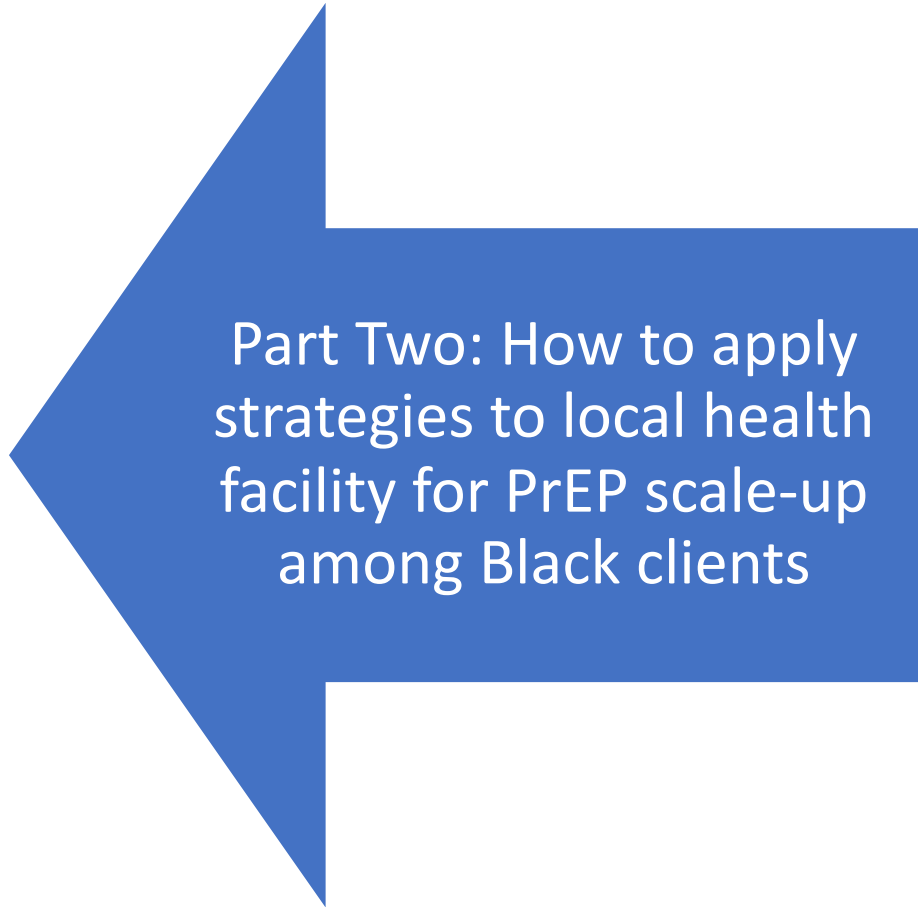
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Two-part Series



Part One: PrEP and
Black communities



Part Two: How to apply
strategies to local health
facility for PrEP scale-up
among Black clients

The image features a central white circle with a thick light green border. Inside this circle, the text "PrEP Data" is written in a white, sans-serif font. Surrounding the central circle are several abstract elements: two white wavy lines to the upper left, a small orange circle with a white outline to the lower left, a small orange ring to the upper right, and a grid of small white dots to the lower right.

PrEP Data

Overview of PrEP Health Disparities

PrEP Use By The Numbers

Black people represent 14% of PrEP users, but 42% of new HIV diagnoses nationally.

Of Black Americans who can benefit from PrEP, 91% have not received a prescription.



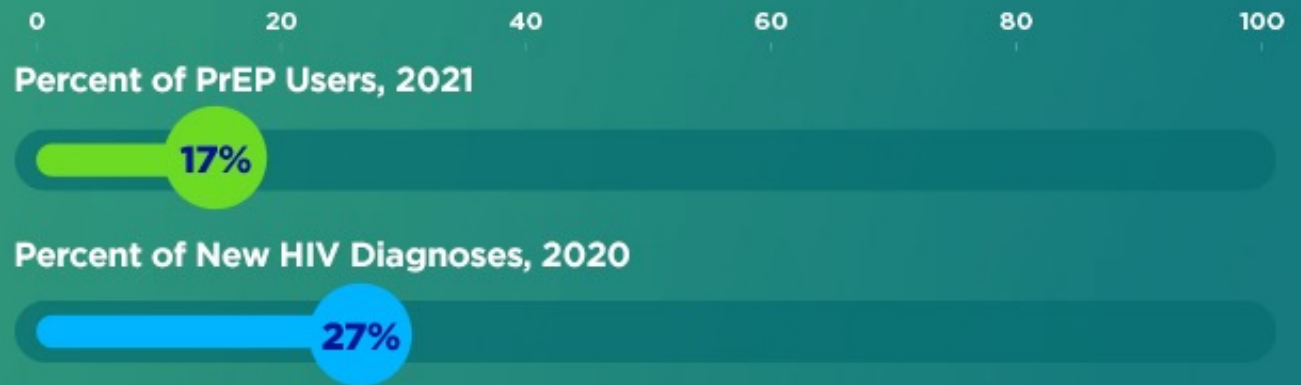
Black people represented only **14% of PrEP users (2021)** but **accounted for 42% of new HIV diagnoses (2020)**, indicating a **significant unmet need for PrEP**.



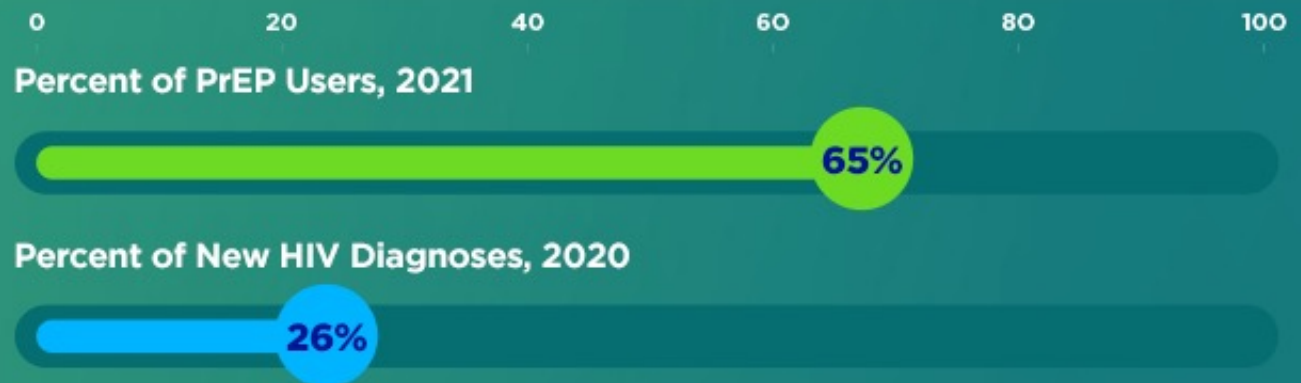
Black People



Hispanic/
Latinx
People



White People



In all U.S. regions in 2021, **Black individuals** had a higher unmet need for PrEP than **White individuals**. A lower PrEP-to-Need Ratio indicates a higher unmet need.



MIDWEST



NORTHEAST



SOUTH



WEST



Black

3.0

4.5

3.1

3.2



Hispanic

7.3

6.9

5.6

6.3



White

26.3

47.0

19.5

27.2

PrEP-to-Need Ratio, 2021

0.00 - 0.42

0.43 - 1.66

1.67 - 4.32

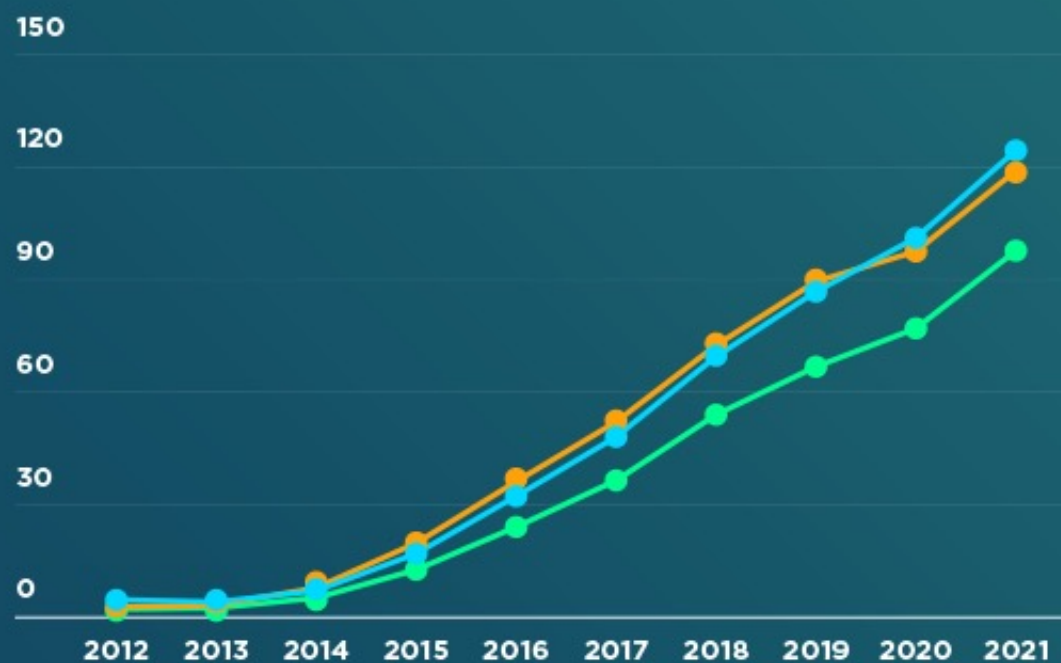
4.33 - 8.74

8.75+

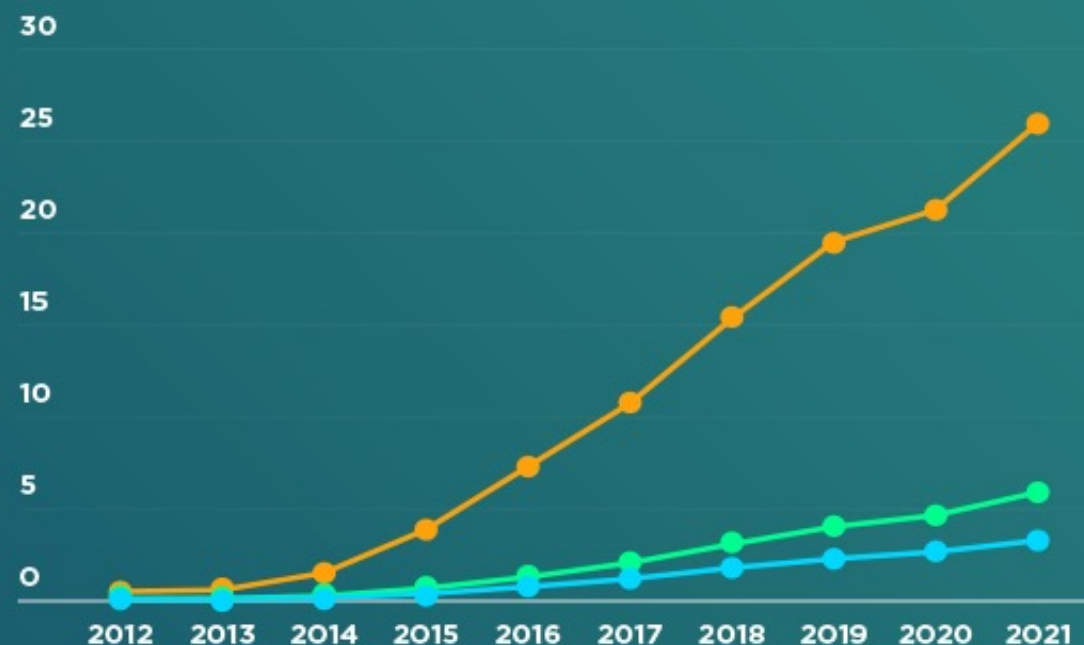
**PrEP-to-Need Ratio (PnR) is the ratio of the number of PrEP users in 2021 to the number of people newly diagnosed with HIV in 2019. It is a measurement for whether PrEP use appropriately reflects the need for HIV prevention. A lower PnR indicates more unmet need.*

While the **rate of PrEP use** has **increased consistently** across **all races/ethnicities**, **equity in PrEP use** by race/ethnicity has **decreased** over time.

PrEP Use Rate by Race/Ethnicity Over Time, 2012-2021

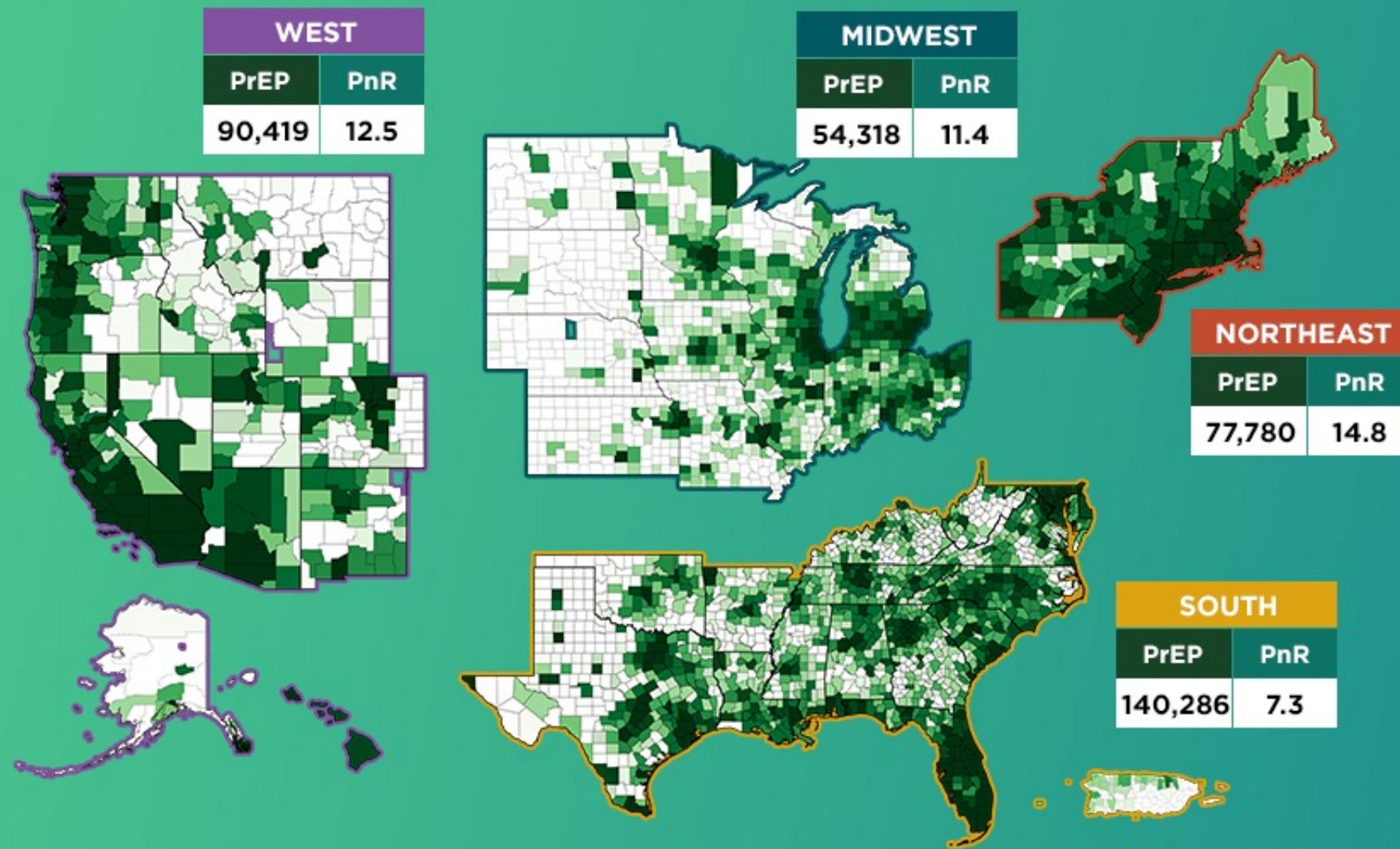


PrEP-to-Need Ratio by Race/Ethnicity Over Time, 2012-2021



Black Hispanic White

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PrEP use varies widely by region.

In 2021, there were **only 7 PrEP users** for every new HIV diagnosis in the **South**, compared to **15 PrEP users** for every new HIV diagnosis in the **Northeast**.

PrEP

The number of persons using PrEP by region.

PnR

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Number of Persons Using PrEP, 2021

3 - 4

5 - 5

6 - 6

7 - 9

10 - 12

13 - 17

18 - 27

28 - 51

52 - 142

143+

The **five counties** with the **highest rate of PrEP users** in 2019 included:



New York
County, NY
(674)



San Francisco
County, CA
(628)



Suffolk
County, MA
(326)



Kings
County, NY
(268)



Broward
County, FL
(223)

Rates of Persons Using PrEP per 100,000 population, 2019

0 - 5

6 - 9

10 - 12

13 - 16

17 - 19

20 - 22

23 - 26

27 - 32

33 - 41

42+



PrEP

IN BLACK AMERICA

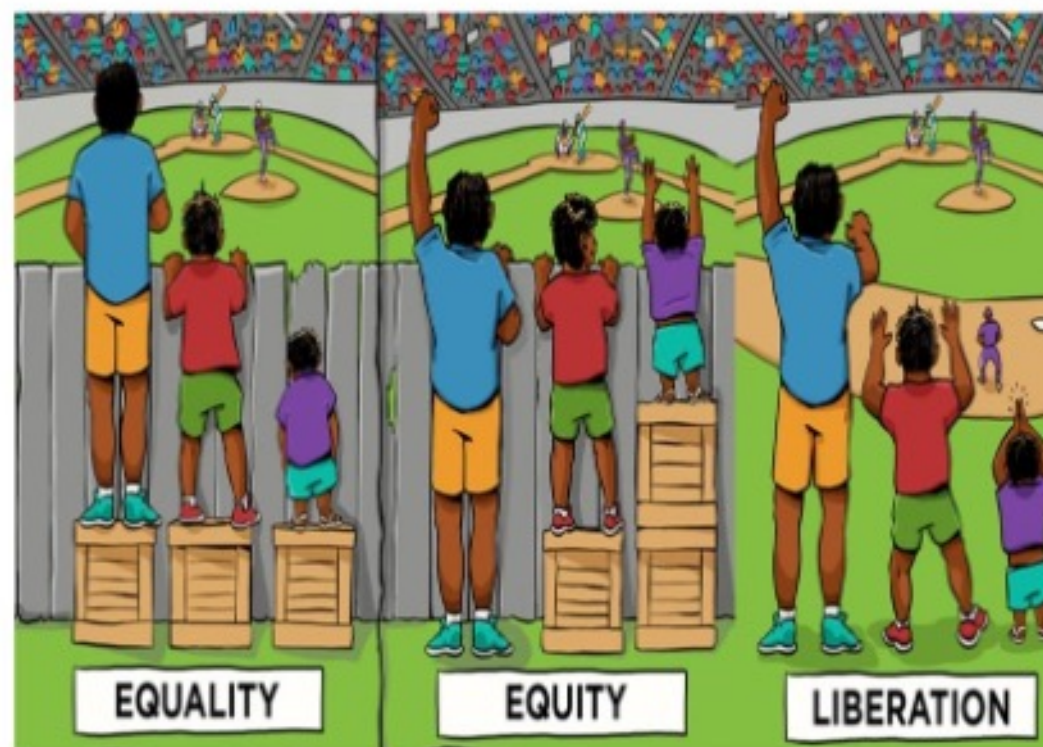
PrEP In Black America

<https://youtu.be/1E1-4EsXw1k>

Thoughts



- “To be a Negro in this country and to be relatively conscious is to be in a rage almost all the time”
— James Baldwin
- “I believe in human beings, and that all human beings should be respected as such, regardless of their color” -- Malcolm X
- “In the End, we will remember not the words of our enemies, but the silence of our friends” ---Martin Luther King, Jr.





How Do We Get To Liberation?

Five Key Components For PrEP Scale Up In Black Communities



Riko Boone



Danielle M. Campbell



Michael Chancley



Raniyah Copeland



Kenyon Farrow



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Justin Smith

**PrEP in Black America
Summit Organizing Committee**

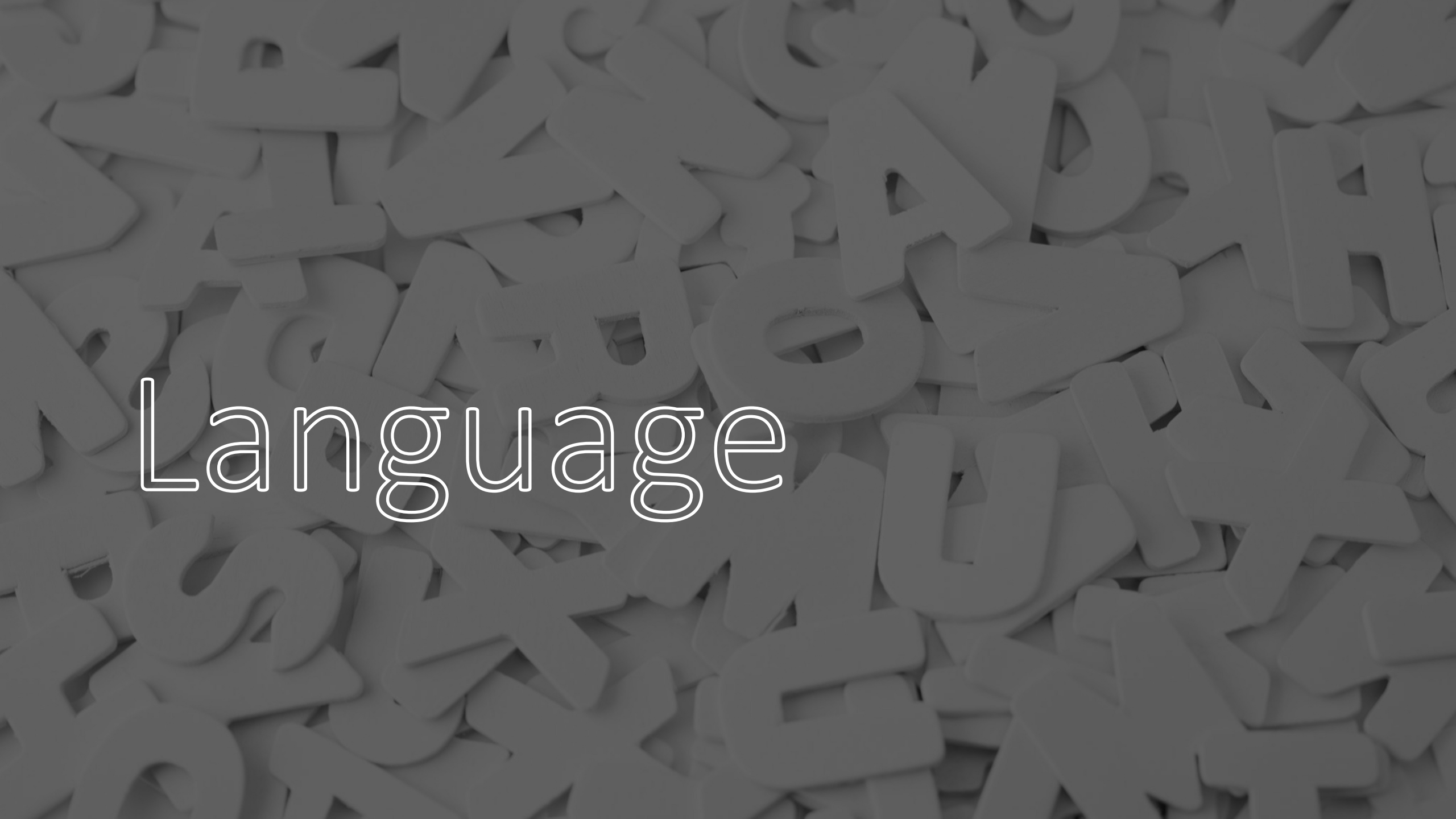
National PrEP Program

Expansion of Providers

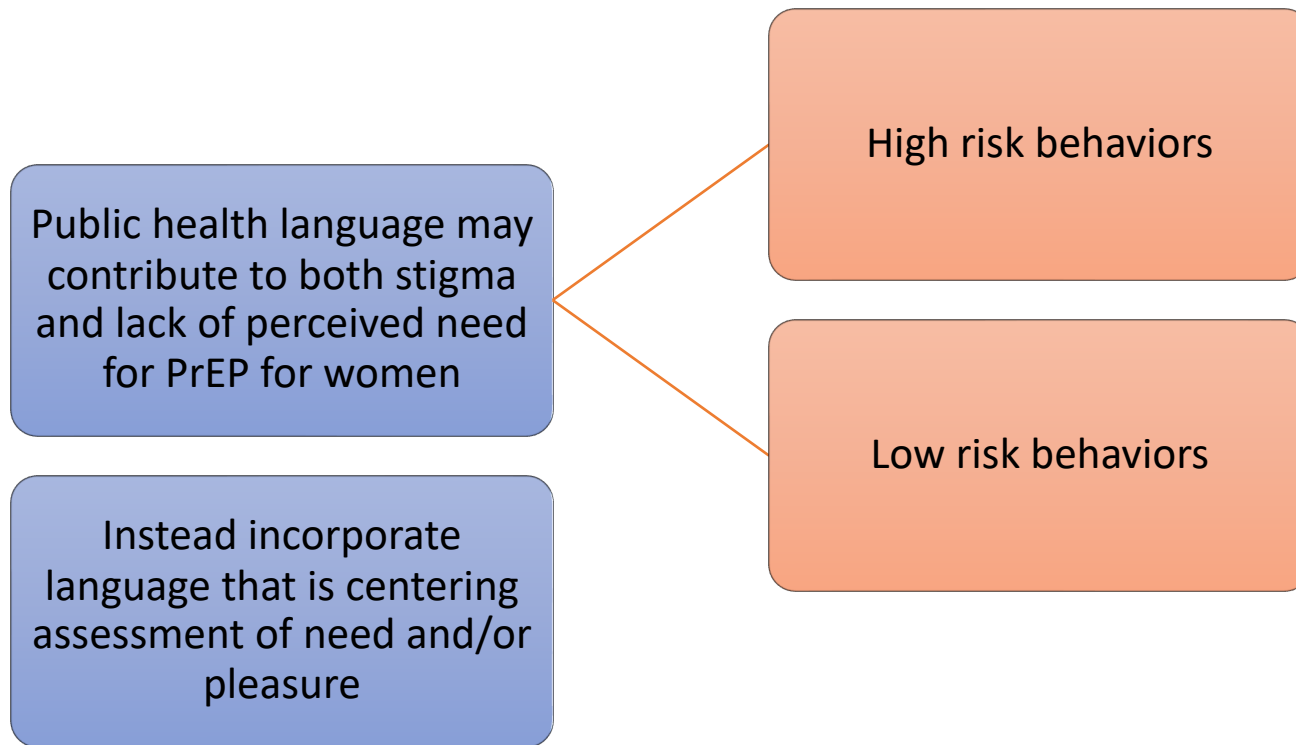
Black Marketing Campaigns

Research-With Black Researchers

Sex positivity



Language



Self-perceived need and actual need for PrEP

Stigmatizing Language	Destigmatizing Language
HIV-infected person HIV or AIDS patient, AIDS or HIV carrier	Person living with HIV; PLWH Never use "infected" when referring to a person
Zero new infections	Zero new HIV transmissions
HIV infections	HIV transmissions; diagnosed with HIV
Number of infections	Number diagnosed with HIV; number of HIV acquisitions
Became infected	Contracted or acquired; diagnosed with
Serodiscordant couple	Serodifferent, magnetic, or mixed-status couple, couple with two different HIV statuses
Compliant	Takes the pill every [how often]
Prostitute or prostitution	Sex worker; sale of sexual services; transactional sex
Promiscuous	This is a value judgment and should be avoided. Use "multiple partners".
Unprotected sex	Sex without condoms, PrEP, treatment-as-prevention methods Condomless sex with PrEP Condomless sex without PrEP Condomless sex
Clean, as in "I am clean, are you?"	Referring to yourself or others as being "clean" suggests that those living with HIV are dirty. Avoid this term.
A drug that prevents HIV infection	A drug that prevents the transmission/acquisition of HIV
Risk/risky Risky behavior	"Risk" means a lot of things so just say what you mean: The specific behavior? Chance of acquiring HIV in the next year? Chance of individual sex act transmitting HIV?

- Adapted from <https://www.thewellproject.org/hiv-information/why-language-matters-facing-hiv-stigma-our-own-words>

<https://viivhealthcare.com/en-us/supporting-the-hiv-community/positive-action/risk-to-reasons/>



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Self
The Activity Book

**RISK TO
REASONS**
Activity Book #1 | Self

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Intimates
The Activity Book

**RISK TO
REASONS**
Activity Book #2 | Intimates

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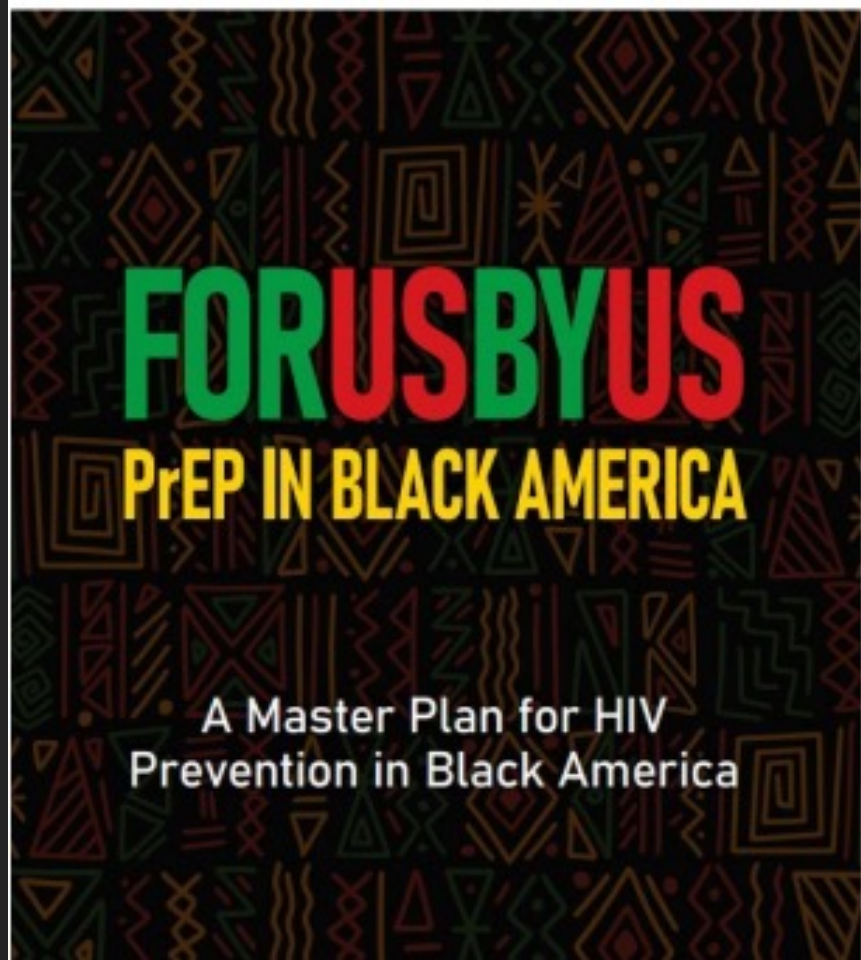


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Providers
The Activity Book

**RISK TO
REASONS**
Activity Book #3 | Providers

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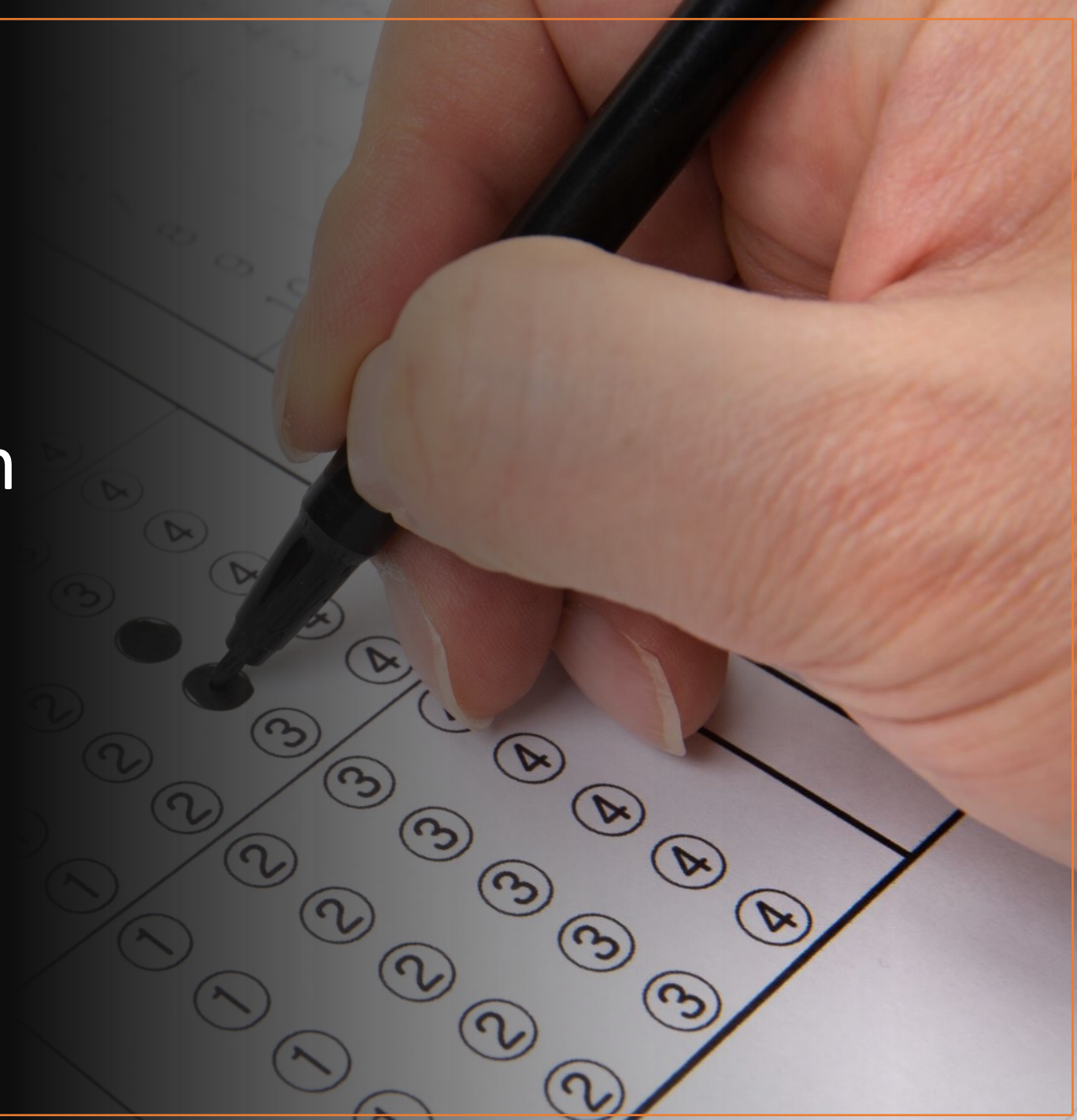
Homework

[PrEP In Black America — PrEP4All](#)

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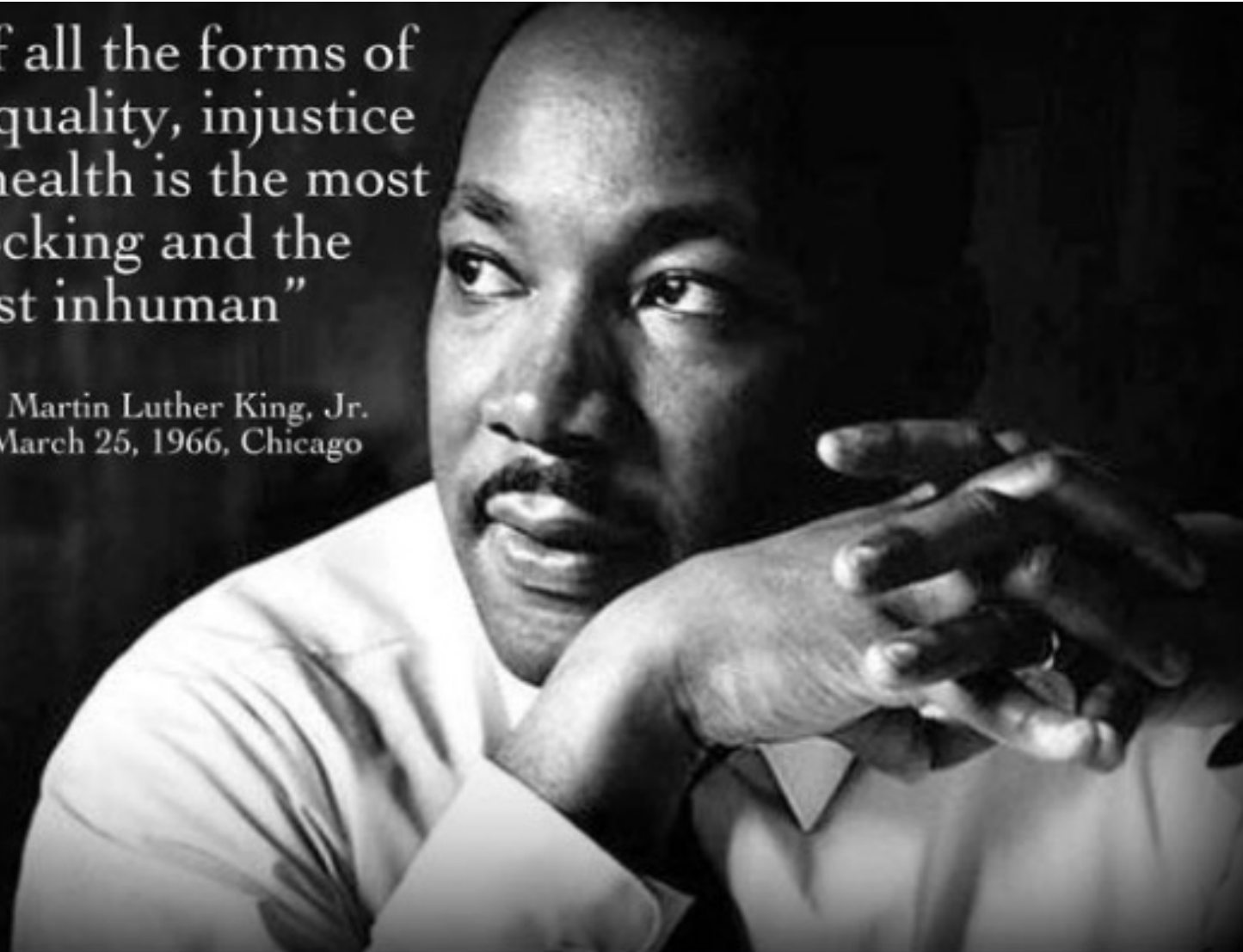
- Complete six (6) question survey

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YQDJKK9>



“Of all the forms of
inequality, injustice
in health is the most
shocking and the
most inhuman”

- Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
March 25, 1966, Chicago



Resources

- PrEP In Black America video- <https://youtu.be/1E1-4EsXw1k>
- AIDSvu- <https://aidsvu.org>
- Deeper Look PrEP- <https://aidsvu.org/resources/deeper-look-prep/>
- Health Equity Tracker (PrEP)
https://healthequitytracker.org/exploredata?mls=1.hiv_pre_p-3.00