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## HIV/AIDS Stigma Resource Center

Looking for a comprehensive web site that can answer your stigma questions? If so, visit the HIV/AIDS Stigma Resource Center today at [www.nmac.org](http://www.nmac.org) and click on the Stigma Program's dandelion logo.

The Stigma Resource Center offers information on:

- » Current trends in HIV/AIDS stigma »
- » The latest research materials »
- » Other organizations and programs concerned about HIV/AIDS-related stigma »
- » Tips and suggestions for countering stigma within your agency and community »

The HIV/AIDS Stigma Resource Center is now open!

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Progress has been made in the arena of HIV/AIDS, yet stigma and discrimination continue to pose challenges for communities of color. The HIV/AIDS Stigma Program, funded by HRSA's HIV/AIDS Bureau under a Cooperative Agreement Grant, offers three individual trainings that explore the stigma associated with HIV/AIDS. The trainings focus on how stigma prevents people from seeking HIV testing, counseling, care and disclosing their sero-positive status. Innovative approaches, such as the use of evidenced-based practices, interactive activities, scientific research and data are all incorporated into this training curriculum.

**To be eligible to participate in the trainings, participants MUST:**

- » Be employed by a Ryan White CARE Act (RWCA) funded agency or organization
- » Provide HIV/AIDS care services to communities of color
- » Be in a position within their agency/organization to replicate the training

*Continuing Education Units (CEUs) are offered for each training through George Mason University.*

## HIV/AIDS Stigma and Access to Care

This two-day training is designed to educate service providers serving in communities of color on strategies needed to address HIV/AIDS-related stigma. The training will cover:

- » The definition and origin of stigma in our society
- » The impact of stigma on an individual's decision-making process and how it deters him or her from seeking HIV testing and counseling services
- » How stigma affects access to care and disclosure of positive sero-status

Participants will also learn how to use personal and organizational strategies to reduce HIV/AIDS-related stigma and stigmatizing practices directed towards communities of color, specifically women and gay/MSM of color.

## HIV/AIDS Stigma and Access to Care: Women of Color

This two-day training examines the role HIV/AIDS-related stigma plays in delaying HIV testing, non-disclosure of sero-positive status, and postponing entry into HIV/AIDS care.

This training specifically explores the dramatic and disproportionate impact that HIV/AIDS stigma has on women of color and looks at the challenges women face and strategies to overcome these challenges.

## Training-of-Trainers: HIV/AIDS Stigma and Access to Care

This two-day training is designed to prepare selected participants to become part of the HIV/AIDS Stigma Training Network as consultants. Participants will spend Day One learning the HIV/AIDS Stigma and Access to Care curriculum. On Day Two, participants will present a module of the curriculum, followed by peer critiques of their presentation, training and facilitation techniques. All participants will be required to implement the training one time in their communities within six months of completing the Training-of-Trainers course. Upon completion of the training in their community, participants will be added as Certified Stigma Consultants for the HIV/AIDS Stigma Program and may be called upon for future trainings.



### The online HIV/AIDS Stigma Resource Center is now open!

Obtain the latest research and articles on stigma, ask questions directly to stigma staff and consultants, download tools addressing organizational stigma, network with others concerned about stigma issues, and link to other organizations working on stigma.

For more information, go to [www.nmac.org](http://www.nmac.org) and click on the dandelion logo.

## Why the Dandelion?

- » Society has declared dandelions to be unwelcome weeds. However, they are actually useful flowers.
- » Like dandelions, PLWH/As are often stigmatized and viewed by society as undesirable.



## Are you a Ryan White CARE Act provider agency?

If so, please fill out the information below and mail it to the address on the back side of this panel.

### Which training interests you?

- HIV/AIDS Stigma and Access to Care
- HIV/AIDS Stigma and Access to Care: Women of Color
- Training-of-Trainers: HIV/AIDS Stigma and Access to Care

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