

"30 Years of AIDS" Summary of Federal Activities

June 5, 2011 marks 30 years since the first cases of AIDS were reported in the U.S. The Federal government is planning activities to commemorate "30 Years of AIDS," incorporating National HIV Testing Day (June 27, 2011) and the one year anniversary of the release of the National HIV/AIDS Strategy (NHAS) (July 13, 2011). The following is a list of activities, some of which are tentative, and more information is available at: http://aids.gov/thirty-years-of-aids/.

1. Stakeholder Educational Webinar & Conference Call

June 15 at 3pm ET, key government leaders will provide an update on *The State and Future of HIV/AIDS*. Participants will have an opportunity to ask questions. <u>Learn more and register here</u> by June 10.

2. HHS Great Hall Event

HHS will host a Great Hall live videocast on June 8. They will also display a portion of the NAMES Quilt.

3. Timelines

<u>AIDS.gov</u> looks back at the epidemic by highlighting timelines of the last 30 years of AIDS, from various perspectives including; <u>FDA</u> –advances in drug availability; <u>HRSA</u> –history of the Ryan White Program; and <u>NIH</u> –advances in research; and community perspectives from <u>AIDS United</u> and <u>Kaiser Family Foundation</u>.

4. Other Communication Efforts

CDC, HRSA, HUD, ACF, DOJ, and FDA are planning Intranet or external web features, emails to grantees and field staff and/or employee education events. NIH and CDC released media statements marking 30 years. VA continues its "Get Checked. Say Yes to the Test" Campaign. Several agencies plan social media visibility, including CDC's series of Twitterviews in June featuring USG leading voices. Visit http://aids.gov/thirty-years-of-aids/ regularly for more information as it becomes available.

5. Lectures

CDC will host a lecture series, "<u>HIV/AIDS: 30 Years of Leadership and Lessons</u>" from June through August at the <u>National HIV Prevention Conference.</u>May 31, at 2pm ET, <u>Dr. Anthony S. Fauci</u>, Director, NIAID at NIH, gave a talk, "<u>Thirty Years of HIV/AIDS: A Personal Journey.</u>" Watch the video at: http://videocast.nih.gov.

6. Open for Questions: Live Video Chat with the White House

June 1 at 3pm ET, AIDS.gov organized a live video chat with the White House to recognize "30 Years of AIDS". Dr. Regina Benjamin, U.S. Surgeon General, provided opening remarks, Mr. Jeffrey Crowley, Director of ONAP, and Dr. Carl Dieffenbach, Director of the Division of AIDS, NIAID, NIH answered participant questions submitted online and during the event. Watch or download the video

7. HHS Center and White House Office for Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships Webcast May 26 at 5pm ET, prominent faith leaders and White House Officials discussed the importance of ending stigma around this disease in order to promote prevention and early treatment, and increasing the number of people in communities who KNOW their status by being tested. Watch the video here.