

Building a Citywide Network for Prevention Navigation: Year One of New York City's *PlaySure Network* 

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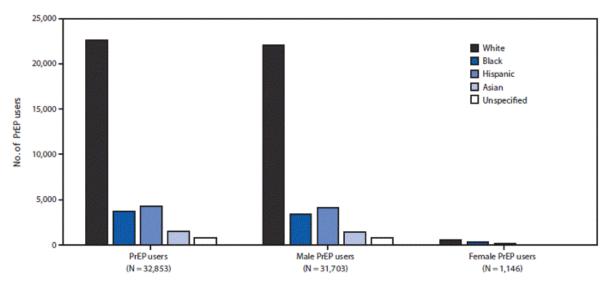
# **Background**



# Disparities in PrEP Uptake Emerging by Various Sociodemographic Characteristics

FIGURE. Number of PrEP users by sex and race/ethnicity\*— IQVIA Longitudinal Prescription Database, United States, 2016





Abbreviation: PrEP = preexposure prophylaxis.

Huang et al., MMWR 2018.





<sup>\*</sup> Among 32,853 (42%) persons with race/ethnicity data available, among all 78,360 PrEP users identified in 2016;

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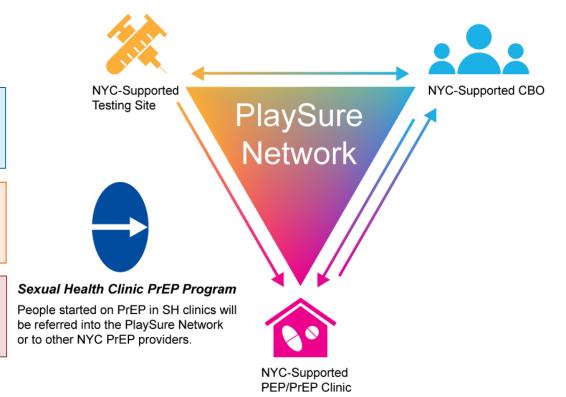


## Introducing...the PlaySure Network

Education/ Support

Benefits navigation

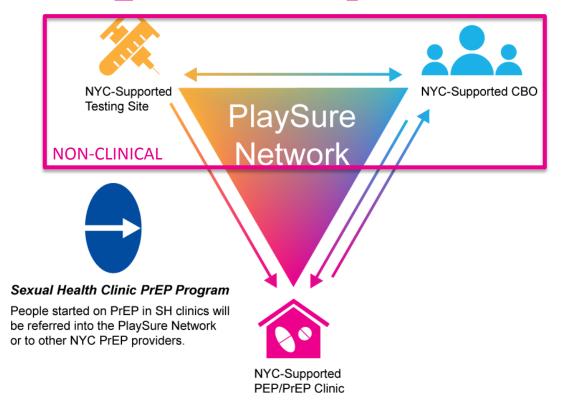
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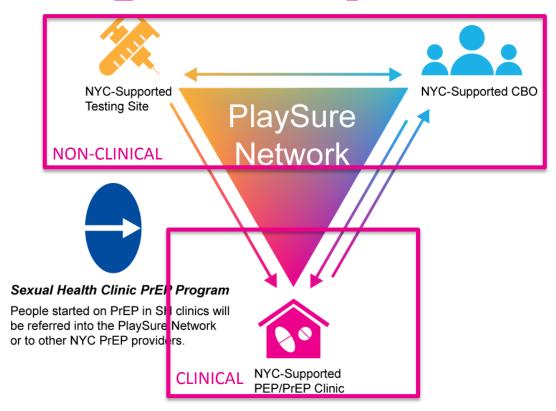
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### PlaySure Network Partners – Year 1 (n=27)

La Casa de Salud

Montefiore Medical Center

New York and Presbyterian Hospital

**BOOM!** Health

H+H Harlem Hospital Center

**Housing Works** 

Safe Horizon

AIDS Center of Queens County

Hetrick-Martin Institute

Voces Latina Corp

Callen-Lorde Community Health Center

Community Healthcare Network

Mount Sinai Medical Center

Latino Commission on AIDS

Planned Parenthood of NYC

Ali Forney Center

Asian and Pacific Islander Coalition on HIV/AIDS

Community Health Action of Staten Island

Haitian Centers Council

**SUNY-Downstate** 

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Network

William F Ryan Community Health Center

After Hours Project

**FACES NY** 

**GMHC** 

Harlem United Community AIDS Center





### A Status Neutral Model for NYC

- Overall: A Holistic, Standardized Approach
  - Embrace client-centered, strengths-based care
- Staffing:
  - Navigators representative of priority populations
- Capacity building:
  - Technical assistance, trainings tailored for service model
  - Conference calls, provider meetings, learning collaboratives







# **Objective**

- Describe service delivery across the PlaySure Network during first full year of data collection
- Use program data to compare the PlaySure Network's PrEP continuum among the following, high priority populations:
  - Black/Latino men who have sex with men (MSM)
  - Black/Latina cisgender women
  - Transgender individuals



### **Methods**



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- Timeframe: April 2017-March 2018
- Source: Service delivery data collected for contract management/billing, performance evaluation
- Inclusion: Clients engaged and recorded at both clinical and non-clinical sites across 27 sites in Network
  - PrEP-focused sites only
- Analysis: Descriptive statistics on clients and outcomes



### Non-Clinical Sites

Engagement (anonymous)





### **Non-Clinical Sites**

Engagement (anonymous)

Received anonymous, standardized, status-neutral screen (24/27 sites)





### **Non-Clinical Sites**

Engagement (anonymous)

**Enrollment** 

Completed an intake assessment





### **Non-Clinical Sites**

Engagement (anonymous)

**Enrollment** 

Education

Received PrEPrelated education





### **Non-Clinical Sites**

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Enrollment

Education

PrEP Linkage

Linked to PrEP (patient or provider report)





### **Non-Clinical Sites**

Engagement (anonymous)

Enrollment

Education

**PrEP Linkage** 

Received a PrEP

prescription

### **Clinical Sites**

Engagement (anonymous)

**Enrollment** 

Education

PrEP Rx





Non-Clinical Sites (n=15)

Engagement (anonymous)

**Enrollment** 

Education

**PrEP Linkage** 

Clinical Sites (n=12)

Engagement (anonymous)

**Enrollment** 

Education

PrEP Rx





### Results



| Characteristic  | n (%)     |
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| Race/ethnicity           |           |
| Black, non-Hispanic      | 1175 (28) |
| White, non-Hispanic      | 1004 (24) |
| Hispanic/Latino          | 1560 (37) |
| Asian/Pacific Islander   | 356 (8)   |
| Other/Declined to Answer | 138 (3)   |





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| Site type                                |           |
| Clinical                                 | 2211 (52) |
| Non-clinical                             | 2022 (48) |





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Engagement (anonymous)

Enrollment

**Education** 

PrEP Linkage

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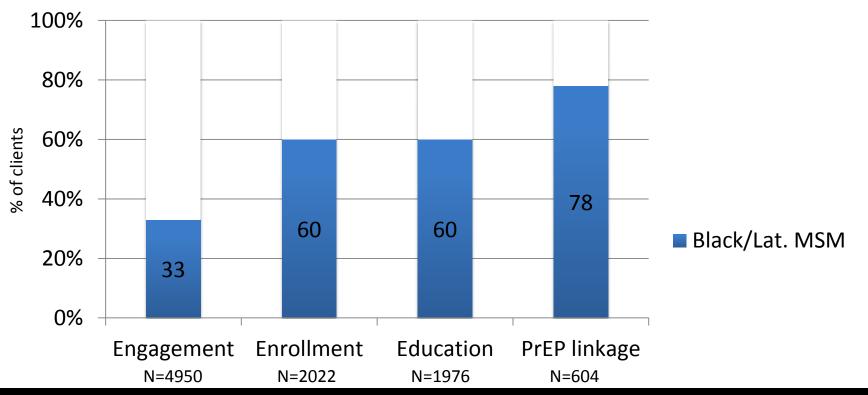
Enrollment 2221 (100%)

Education 1761 (80%)

PrEP Rx 1046 (47%)

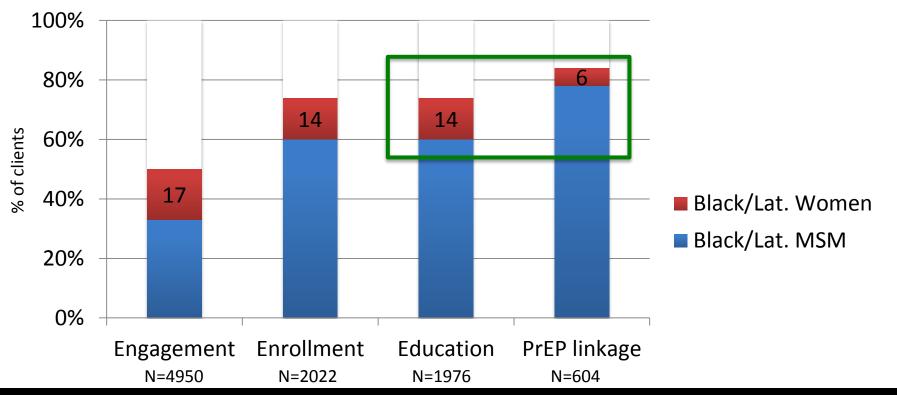






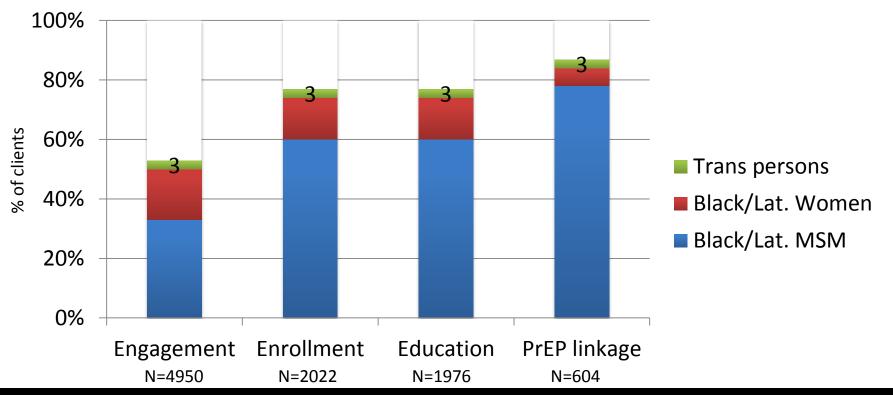






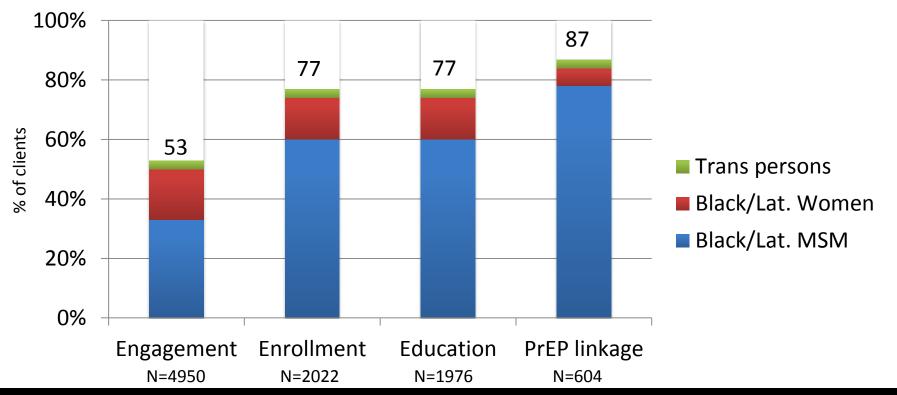






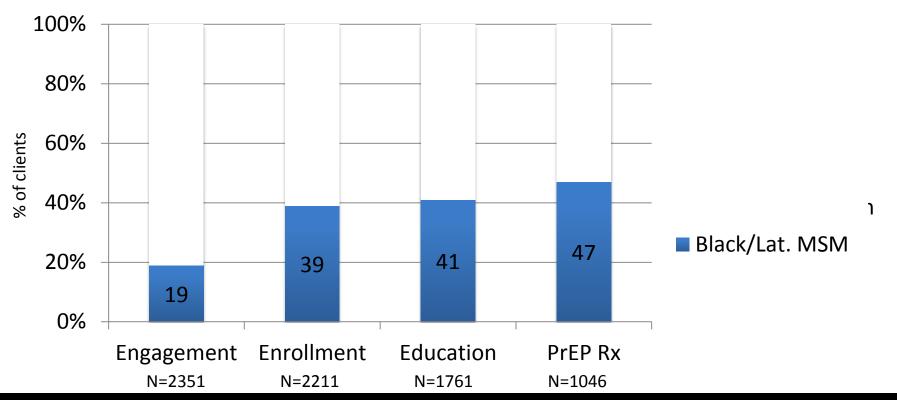






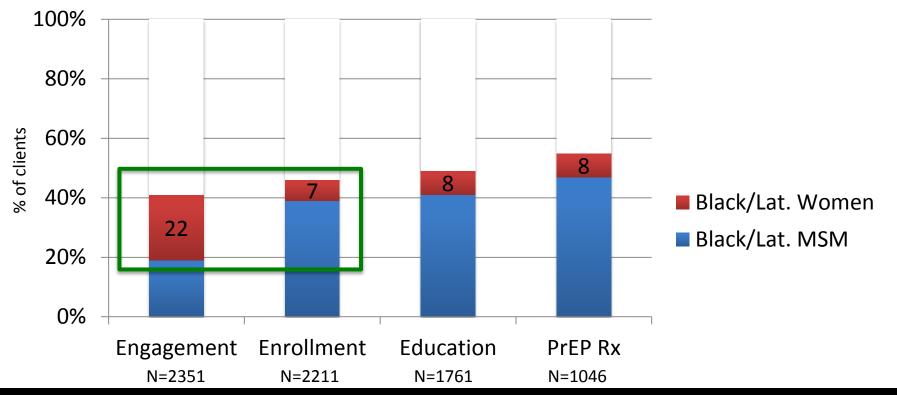






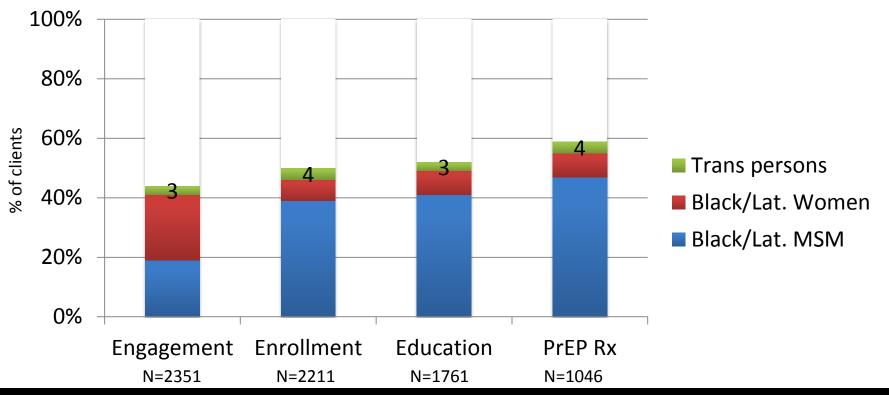






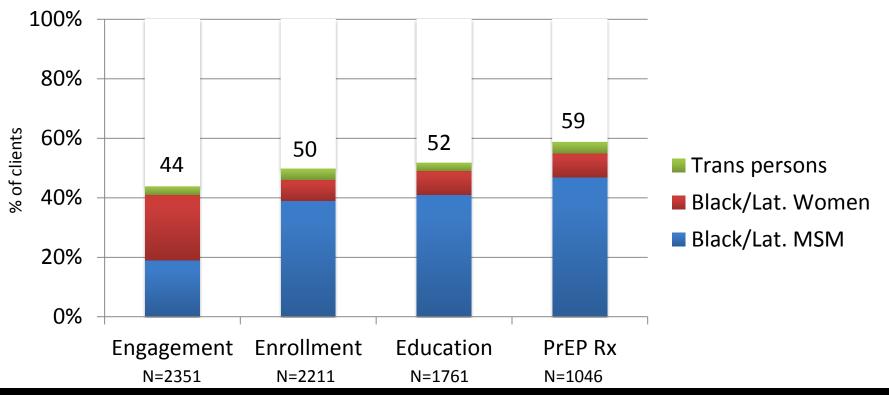
















### **Clients Enrolled in PlaySure Network**

| Referral source for clinical sites (N=2211) | n (%)    |
|---|----------|
| Existing client at the agency (in-reach)    | 504 (23) |
| PlaySure Network Site                       | 447 (20) |
| Internet search                             | 271 (12) |
| Sexual Health Clinic                        | 233 (11) |
| PEP Call Center                             | 51 (2)   |
| Social media                                | 45 (2)   |
| Outreach event                              | 44 (2)   |
| Flyer/advertisement                         | 33 (1)   |
| Word of mouth                               | 18 (1)   |
| Emergency room                              | 0 (0)    |
| Other                                       | 565 (26) |

Referral source for non-clinical sites
Outreach Event: 21%





### **Discussion**



## Summary

- Robust engagement, service delivery across a coordinated network of clinical and non-clinical providers
- Evidence of collaboration across sites
- Service delivery somewhat approximates epidemiologic need
  - Black/Latino MSM are an increasing proportion of clients served across continuum at all sites
  - However, Black/Latina cisgender women and transgender individuals receive a minority of services
  - Additionally, Black/Latina cisgender women appear to "fall off" the continuum at different stages (nonclinical vs. clinical sites)



### Limitations

- Underestimate PrEP outcomes at PlaySure Network sites
  - Data only reflect clients "billed" to the Health Dept. grant
- Unable to construct true continua
  - Cannot deduplicate across continua (initial engagement is anonymous)
  - Cannot deduplicate across sites in this analysis (clinical and non-clinical sites perform own intake)



### **Lessons Learned/Next Steps**

- Collaboration possible in a funded network
- Capturing panorama of service delivery complicated by reimbursement model
- Vigorous program improvement efforts underway
  - Improve service delivery to ciswomen and transgender individuals
  - Reduce data burden/streamline service delivery
  - Become more "status-neutral"



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