

APPENDIX A: AIDS United AmeriCorps Program Service Categories

***PREVENTION OUTREACH:** AIDS United AmeriCorps members conduct prevention outreach by meeting individuals who are at high-risk for HIV “where they are” in the community and providing them with information that can lead to behavior change and engagement with other HIV prevention and care services. Members are trained locally to provide individuals with current information about HIV/AIDS, prevention strategies, and referrals to health care services during brief client encounters in the community.

***PREVENTION EDUCATION:** Members conduct structured educational presentations for adults and youth to impart critical information on how HIV is transmitted, how individuals can prevent its spread, and how to assess personal risk factors for acquiring the virus. These sessions occur in a variety of venues like schools, churches, and community centers.

***HIV TESTING AND COUNSELING:** Each year, the vast majority of members are certified locally to conduct rapid HIV testing and provide individuals with their results in the context of pre-test and post-counseling sessions. Testing and counseling occurs at hospitals, AIDS service organizations, and in non-traditional testing venues like libraries and nightclubs.

***HEALTH CARE ACCESS:** Members conduct health care access services by providing clients with information and care coordination related health benefit programs such as Medicaid. Members also coordinate supportive services such as transportation and childcare programs that facilitate access to treatment.

***CLIENT SUPPORT SERVICES:** With professional supervision, members provide services such as emotional or social support, food and nutrition services, and care-related management to individuals infected with or affected by HIV/AIDS to improve health care utilization.

***VOLUNTEER RECRUITMENT AND COORDINATION:** Members recruit and coordinate volunteers to augment the provision of the HIV-related services at Host Agencies and to participate in broader community projects that occur during member Fifth Days and Long-Term Projects.