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Community Access National Network

ANNUAL REPORT – 2016

The Community Access National Network (CANN) is a 501(c)(3) national nonprofit organization (formerly incorporated under the “Ryan White CARE Act Title II Community AIDS National Network”) focusing on public policy issues relating to HIV/AIDS and Viral Hepatitis. CANN’s mission is to define, promote, and improve access to healthcare services and supports for people living with HIV/AIDS and/or Viral Hepatitis through advocacy, education, and networking. CANN’s coalition-based work is done on behalf of the patient advocacy groups, pharmaceutical partners, and government agencies.

CANN’s programmatic projects include:

- **National ADAP Working Group, or NAWG**
- **Hepatitis: Education, Advocacy, and Leadership, or HEAL**
- **HIV/HCV Co-Infection Watch**
- **Medicaid Watch**

National ADAP Working Group (NAWG)

NAWG brings members of the HIV/AIDS community and industry together to engage in conversation about the AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP). This format was and still is extremely progressive since it takes into account all of the many different stakeholders to create a comprehensive view of the program and funding.

In 2016, NAWG published twelve (12) news distributions, including information and updates on issues relevant to ADAP.

Additionally, NAWG co-hosted the following events in partnership with the ADAP Advocacy Association:

- AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) Regional Summit in Birmingham, Alabama.

Hepatitis: Education, Advocacy & Leadership (HEAL)

HEAL raises awareness about Viral Hepatitis, and also educates consumers, community partners, and policy-makers about the fastest growing public health epidemic since AIDS: HCV infection.

In 2016, HEAL periodically hosted stakeholder meetings to discuss emerging issues. It published twelve (12) news distributions, including newsworthy articles on the latest testing, treatment, advocacy, and policy news. It published fifty (50) blogs – which are available online at <https://communityaccessnationalnetwork.wordpress.com>.

Additionally, HEAL hosted (or co-hosted) the following events:

- Community Roundtable on Annual National Monitoring Report on HIV/HCV Co-Infection.
- Community Roundtable on Hepatitis C & Aging.

HIV/HCV Co-Infection Watch

The HIV/HCV Co-Infection Watch is as a patient-centric informational portal serving three primary groups – patients, healthcare providers, and AIDS Service Organizations.

HCV infection is the most common chronic blood borne infection in the United States; approximately 3.2 million persons are chronically infected. Approximately 12,000 people die every year from HCV-related liver disease. The number of HCV-related deaths per year has outnumbered those dying from AIDS. It is estimated 200,000-300,000 people in the United States are co-infected with both HIV and HCV infections. Experts believe that about 25% of Americans with HIV also have HCV; conversely some 10% of people with HCV are thought to also have HIV. Without information, and access to comprehensive medical treatment, patients living with HIV and HCV infections are likely to progress to complicated liver diseases, such as cirrhosis of the liver, ultimately leading to liver failure and early death.

In 2016, twelve (12) HIV/HCV Co-Infection Watch reports were published and posted online at <http://tiicann.org/co-infection-watch.html>.



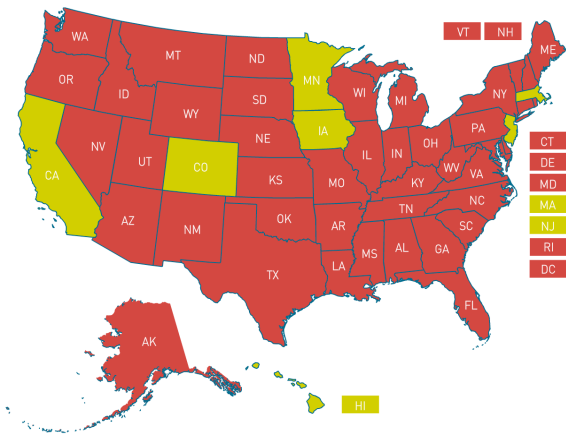
Medicaid Watch

The Medicaid Watch is a publication of the Community Access National Network (CANN), offering an update on state Medicaid and health-related cuts and expansions. It covers state-level Medicaid eligibility and access news, as well as other state health assistance programs.

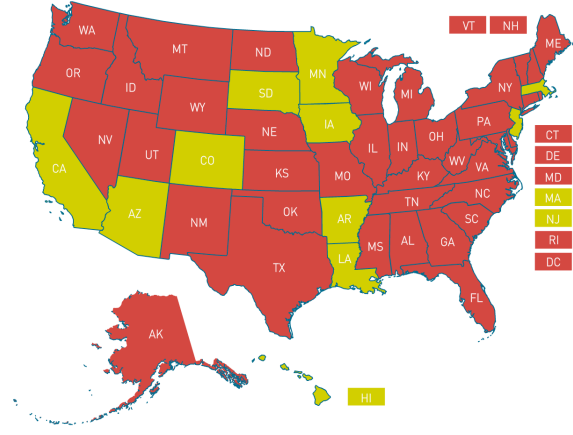
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Excerpts from the Annual National Monitoring Report on HIV/HCV Co-Infection

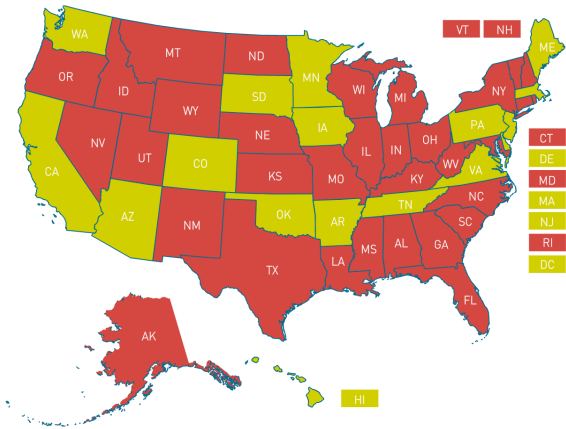
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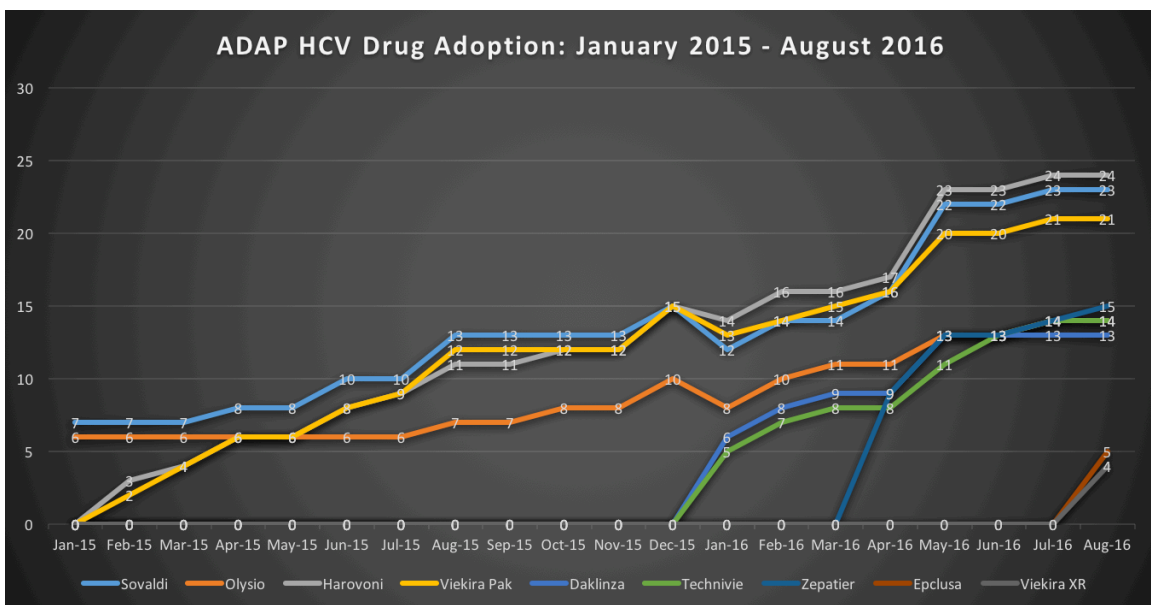
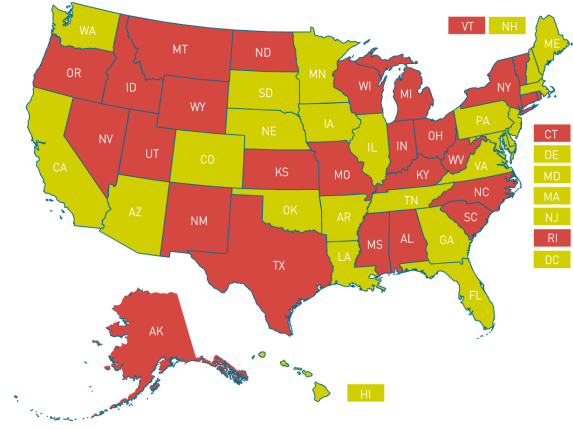
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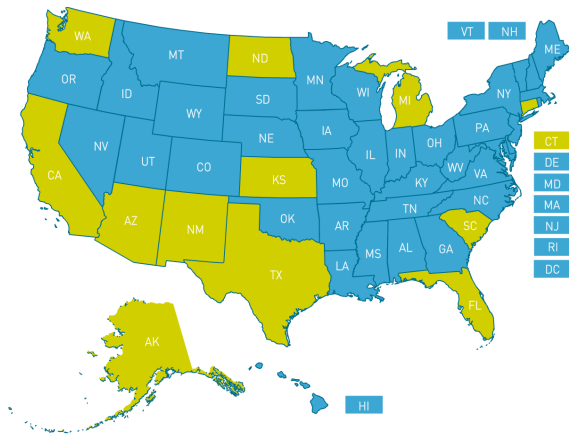


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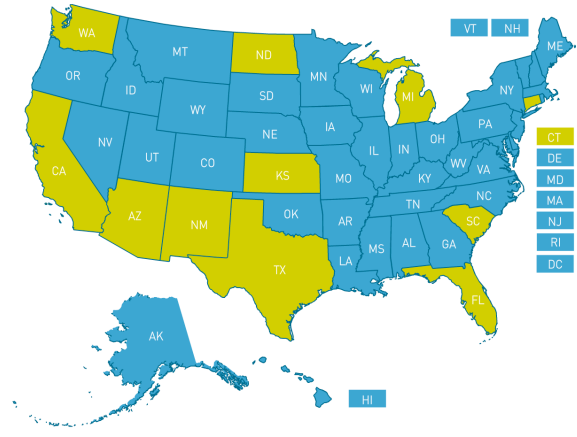


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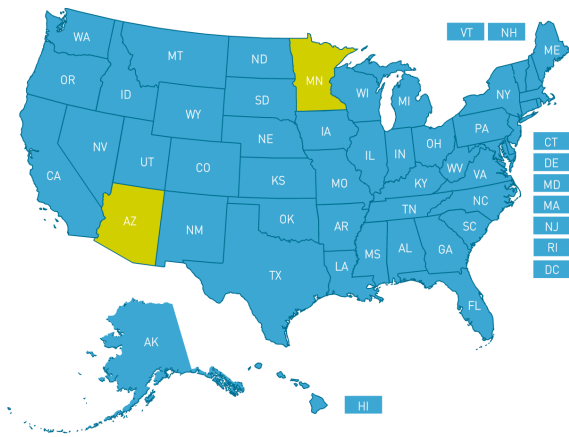
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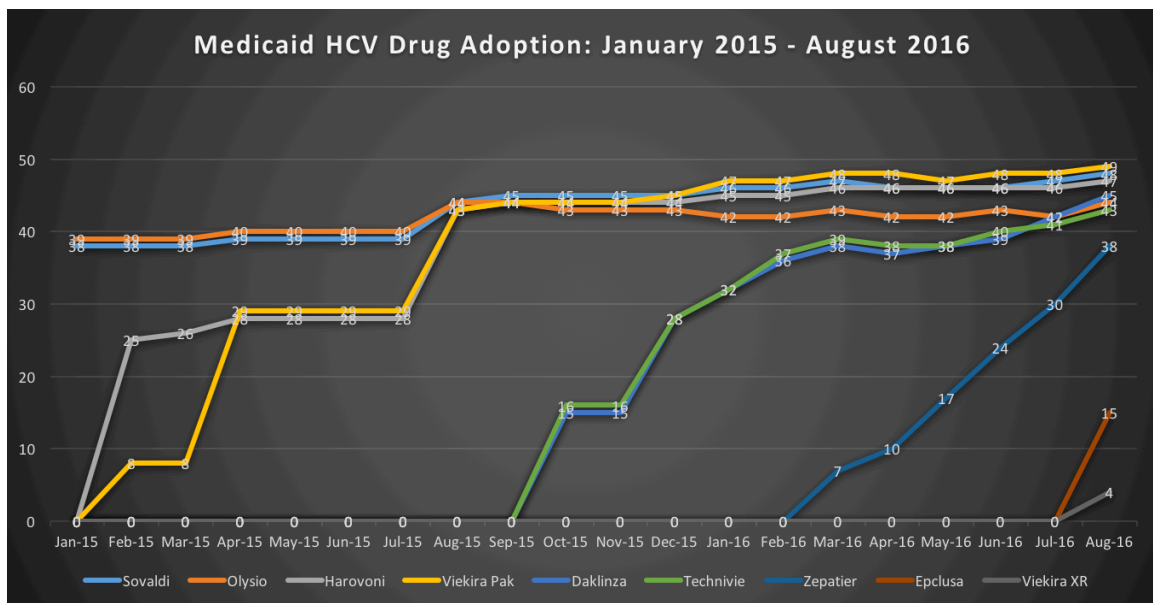
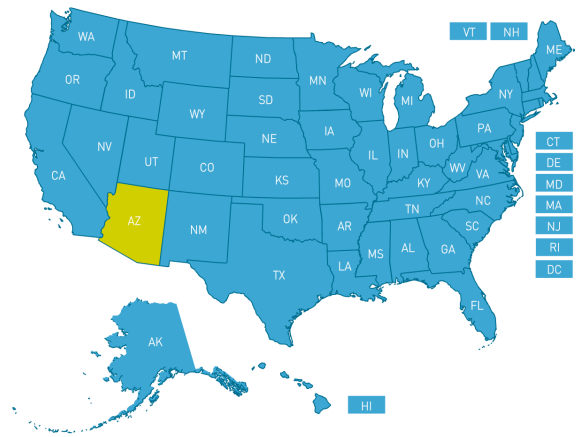
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- [ADAP Advocacy Association \(aaa+\)](#)
- [AIDS Alabama](#)
- [AIDS Healthcare Foundation \(AHF\)](#)
- [The AIDS Institute \(TAI\)](#)
- [AIDS United](#)
- [Dab the AIDS Bear Project](#)
- [Flowers Heritage Foundation](#)
- [Hepatitis Foundation International \(HFI\)](#)
- [Housing Works](#)
- [National AIDS Treatment Advocacy Project \(NATAP\)](#)
- [National Association of State & Territorial AIDS Directors \(NASTAD\)](#)
- [National Minority AIDS Council \(NMAC\)](#)
- [National Viral Hepatitis Roundtable \(NVHR\)](#)
- [Partnership for Prescription Assistance \(PPA\)](#)
- [Patient Access Network Foundation](#)
- [Southern AIDS Coalition \(SAC\)](#)
- [The Partnership for Safe Medicines](#)
- [Treatment Expansion Access Project \(TAEP\)](#)

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