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 **Anti-Retroviral Treatment and Access to Services (ARTAS):** The goal of this three-day training of facilitators (TOF) is to prepare participants to implement the ARTAS strategy at their agencies. Specifically, participants will learn the skills necessary to perform their roles as Linkage Coordinators. **Audience:** Health educators, mental health professionals, nurses, case managers, public health professionals, social workers, and substance abuse professionals. For questions about this training, please contact Shauna R. Cooper at [coopersr@dhec.sc.gov](mailto:coopersr@dhec.sc.gov) or 803-898-0480.

 **Assuring the Quality of HIV Prevention Counseling: Practical Approaches for Supervisors (QA):** Participants who complete this three-day training will have the skills needed to assure the quality of HIV prevention counseling and the knowledge to apply the quality assurance recommendations of the November 2001 *Revised Guidelines for HIV Counseling, Testing, and Referral*. [Portions of the guidelines have been updated in the 2006 Revised Recommendations for HIV Testing of Adults, Adolescents, and Pregnant Women in Healthcare Settings.] To register for this training, you must have successfully completed the following prerequisite: Fundamentals of HIV Prevention Counseling. **Audience:** Persons who manage an HIV rapid testing program.

 **Basic Counseling:** Upon completion of this five-hour training, participants will be able to: 1) name at least 5 key communication skills for conducting bio-psychosocial assessments; 2) list at least 4 key steps in service planning for persons living with HIV/AIDS; 3) identify tools to address the psychosocial needs of PLWHA and their families throughout the course of the disease process; and 4) maximize community resources and ensure that individuals receive referrals in an appropriate manner. This training is sponsored by the University of South Carolina School of Medicine. For questions about this training, please contact Shauna R. Cooper at [coopersr@dhec.sc.gov](mailto:coopersr@dhec.sc.gov) or 803-898-0480.

 **Benefits Navigation:** Participants of this three-hour training will review qualifying criteria of medical care services and disability programs that are available to persons living with HIV/AIDS (e.g. ADAP, Medicare, Medicaid, SSI and SSDI). **Audience:** Medical case managers and benefit counselors. This training is sponsored by the University of South Carolina School of Medicine. For questions about this training, please contact Shauna R. Cooper at [coopersr@dhec.sc.gov](mailto:coopersr@dhec.sc.gov) or 803-898-0480.

  **Ethics and Boundaries:** The goal of this three-hour training is to help allied health and human service providers better respond to ethical dilemmas. Using HIV/AIDS as case study content, participants will explore legal and ethical issues, discuss individual and institutional attitudes that may affect services, discuss opportunities to provide culturally competent services, and review a framework for ethical decision making. **Audience:** Health educators, mental health professionals, disease intervention specialists, nurses, case managers, nurse practitioners, public health professionals, other advanced practice nurses, physicians, social workers, benefits counselors, and substance abuse professionals. This training is sponsored by the University of South Carolina School of Medicine. For questions about this training, please contact Shauna R. Cooper at [coopersr@dhec.sc.gov](mailto:coopersr@dhec.sc.gov) or 803-898-0480.

   **Equalize Health for LGBT Communities:** Participants of this two-and-a-half hour training will be provided an overview of LGBT demographics, terminology, and key strategies for providing high quality services to LGBT clients in health-related settings. This training is sponsored by S.C. Equality. **Audience:** Health educators, mental health professionals, disease intervention specialists, nurses, case managers, nurse practitioners, public health professionals, other advanced practice nurses, physicians, social workers, benefits counselors, and substance abuse professionals.

**Note: The webinar version of this training will have a shorter duration.**

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 **Fundamentals of HIV Prevention Counseling:** This two-day training is designed to share best practices to successfully apply high-quality HIV counseling, testing, and referral (CTR) services. Participants will learn to use a quality assurance process for client-focused HIV prevention counseling to support individuals in making behavior changes that will reduce their risk of acquiring or transmitting HIV. Skills for administering risk assessments for HIV and STD testing will be practiced and demonstrated. To register for this training, you must have successfully completed the following prerequisites: HIV 101 for Clinical Staff or HIV 101 for Non-clinical Staff, STIs 101, and S.C. HIV/STD Laws. **Audience:** Health educators, outreach workers, mental health professionals, nurses, public health professionals, social workers, and substance abuse professionals.

 **Fundamentals of HIV Prevention Counseling for Nurses Only:** This one-day training is designed to prepare participants to provide client-centered HIV pre- and post-test counseling. Emphasis will be on helping clients make informed testing decisions, administer test results, and strategize with clients to reduce their risk for HIV acquisition and transmission. To register for this training, you must have successfully completed the following prerequisites: HIV 101 for Clinical Staff, STIs 101, and S.C. HIV/STD Laws. **Audience:** This training is a requirement for nursing staff who give HIV test results.

 **Fundamentals of HIV Prevention Counseling Issues of Clients Who Test Positive:** This two-day training is designed to prepare participants to provide counseling services to people living with HIV. Special emphasis will be on helping clients to identify ways to avoid sexual and substance use behaviors that can result in transmitting HIV to others and negative health outcomes for themselves. To register for this training, you must have successfully completed the following prerequisites: HIV 101 for Clinical Staff or HIV 101 for Non-Clinical Staff, STIs 101, S.C. HIV/STD Laws, and Fundamentals of HIV Prevention Counseling. **Audience:** Health educators, outreach workers, mental health professionals, nurses, case managers, public health professionals, social workers, and substance abuse professionals.

**Note: This training is to be completed one year after a new hire's start date. The new hire's duties must include HIV counseling and testing.**

 **Fundamentals of Waived Rapid HIV Testing and Prevention Counseling Refresher Training:** The goals of this three-day training is to serve as a refresher course for counseling, testing, and referral (CTR) providers on how to collect a test sample, perform waived rapid HIV testing, integrate the six steps of HIV prevention counseling into the HIV testing process, and follow safe work practices and quality assurance guidelines. To register for this training, you must have successfully completed the following prerequisites: HIV 101 for Clinical Staff or HIV 101 for Non-clinical Staff, STIs 101, S.C. HIV/STD Laws, and Fundamentals of HIV Prevention Counseling. **Audience:** Persons who have completed this training two or more years ago.

  **Grant Writing/Proposal Development 101:** Participants of this one-day training will understand the process of preparing a grant application from private or public sectors. This includes identifying and selecting potential funding sources or responding to a request for proposals (e.g. planning and research, itemizing needs, organizing a proposal development team, writing the proposal, developing the program, developing a staffing plan, conducting quality control review, and finalizing the proposal). **Audience:** Interested party or member of an agency's grant writing team.

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 **Hepatitis C Screening, Diagnosis, and Linkage to Care:** This two-day training will help increase participants' knowledge of hepatitis C screening and diagnosis and discuss the importance of effective linkage to care for persons infected with the hepatitis C virus (HCV). To register for this training, you must have successfully completed the following prerequisites: HIV 101 for Clinical Staff or HIV 101 for Non-Clinical Staff, STIs 101, S.C. HIV/STD Laws, Understanding Viral Hepatitis, and Fundamentals of HIV Prevention Counseling. **Audience:** Health educators, outreach workers, mental health professionals, disease intervention specialists, nurses, case managers, nurse practitioners, public health professionals, other advanced practice nurses, physicians, social workers, and substance abuse professionals.

  **HIV and Aging --- Coming soon:**

  **HIV 101 for Clinical Staff:** Participants of this three-hour training will learn about the epidemiologic trends among various sub-populations based on age and gender. This training will also review HIV exposure, virology/pathophysiology, transmission, and prevention practices. Guidelines for testing and treatment will be discussed briefly. **Audience:** Health educators, mental health professionals, disease intervention specialists, nurses, case managers, nurse practitioners, public health professionals, other advanced practice nurses, physicians, social workers, and substance abuse professionals. This training is sponsored by the University of South Carolina School of Medicine. For questions about this training, please contact Shauna R. Cooper at [coopersr@dhec.sc.gov](mailto:coopersr@dhec.sc.gov) or 803-898-0480.

  **HIV 101 for Non-Clinical Staff:** This one-day training is designed to help participants analyze basic information, core messages, values, and practices related to HIV/AIDS prevention education while instilling a caring and supportive attitude toward people living with HIV/AIDS. This training is recommended for prevention staff that may require fundamental HIV/AIDS education instruction and is also ideal for those who are interested in a basic refresher training. **Audience:** Health educators, outreach workers, mental health professionals, nurses, case managers, public health professionals, social workers, and substance abuse professionals.

  **HIV 201 for Clinical Staff:** This three-hour training is designed with the expectation that the basic HIV knowledge course (HIV 101 for Clinical Staff) has been completed. This advance training will review HIV epidemiology in South Carolina, natural history of disease, transmission and risk reduction strategies, treatment, and adherence issues. To register for this training, you must have successfully completed the following prerequisite: HIV 101 for Clinical Staff. **Audience:** Health educators, outreach workers, mental health professionals, nurses, case managers, public health professionals, social workers, and substance abuse professionals. This training is sponsored by the University of South Carolina School of Medicine. For questions about this training, please email Shauna R. Cooper at [coopersr@dhec.sc.gov](mailto:coopersr@dhec.sc.gov) or call 803-898-0480.

 **Introduction to Human Sexuality:** Participants of this one-day training will explore human sexuality from biological, psychological, and societal perspectives in a comfortable, non-threatening, and fun environment. **Audience:** Health educators, outreach workers, mental health professionals, nurses, case managers, disease intervention specialists, public health professionals, social workers, and substance abuse professionals.

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<p> <b>Many Men, Many Voices (3MV) Training of Facilitators:</b> This four-day training is designed for facilitators in public health and community-based organizations (CBOs) who want to learn to use a science-based, small group intervention for HIV and STD prevention for black men who have sex with men and who are planning to implement 3MV in their communities. In general, at least two persons should be trained from any given agency. It is suggested that at least one of the 3MV facilitators should be a peer, that is, a black gay man. <b>Audience:</b> Health educators, outreach workers, mental health professionals, nurses, public health professionals, social workers, and substance abuse professionals.</p>
<p> <b>Medical Case Management (MCM) Time Management --- Coming soon:</b></p>
<p> <b>New MCM Orientation and Provide Enterprise:</b> Participants of this one-day training will discuss their role within a service organization and delivery of quality services to individuals living with HIV/AIDS. <b>Audience:</b> Ryan White Part B Medical Case Managers. This training is sponsored by the University of South Carolina School of Medicine. For questions about this training, please email Shauna R. Cooper at <a href="mailto:coopersr@dhec.sc.gov">coopersr@dhec.sc.gov</a> or call 803-898-0480.</p>
<p> <b>Planning, Implementing, and Monitoring an HIV Rapid test Program:</b> Participants of this three-day training will review strategies for effectively conducting assessments to determine community and agency readiness to adopt HIV rapid testing and implement an HIV rapid testing program, which will include meeting federal and local CLIA regulations, policy development, staffing, and training plans. Participants will also learn how to conduct quality control and quality assurance activities related to HIV rapid testing and strategies for day-to-day program monitoring. <b>Audience:</b> Persons who manage an HIV rapid testing program.</p> <p><b>Note: This course requires approval from the counseling/testing coordinator. For questions about this training, please contact Pam Davis at <a href="mailto:davisp@dhec.sc.gov">davisp@dhec.sc.gov</a> or at 803-898-0328.</b></p>
<p>  <b>PrEP--- Coming soon:</b></p>
<p>  <b>Selecting Focus Groups:</b> Participants of this four-hour training will gain knowledge and skills necessary to conduct focus groups in the non-profit arena and analyze information gathered from them. This training will provide information and hands-on experience related to planning, conducting, analyzing, and reporting on focus groups. An interactive format will be used in which participants employ the same techniques they would use in real-life situations. <b>Audience:</b> Health educators, outreach workers, mental health professionals, nurses, case managers, disease intervention specialists, public health professionals, social workers, and substance abuse professionals.</p>
<p> <b>S.C. HIV/STD Laws:</b> This four-hour training is designed to provide participants with a knowledge base of South Carolina HIV and STD laws. The intent is to give participants an introduction and an overview to some of the many legal issues arising from the HIV/AIDS epidemic. This training is not intended as a legal guide and should not be used as a substitute for legal advice/consultation. <b>Audience:</b> Health educators, mental health professionals, disease intervention specialists, nurses, case managers, nurse practitioners, public health professionals, other advanced practice nurses, physicians, social workers, and substance abuse professionals.</p>

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 **STIs 101:** This one-day training is designed to increase basic understanding about sexually transmitted infections. It will emphasize the importance of prevention strategies and treatment and discuss the connection between sexually transmitted infections (STIs) and HIV transmission. **Audience:** Health educators, outreach workers, mental health professionals, nurses, case managers, disease intervention specialists, public health professionals, social workers, and substance abuse professionals.

 **Substance Abuse, Co-occurring Conditions, Recovery, and HIV: Current Trends:** Participants of this three-hour training will discuss treatment of addictions and co-occurring mental health conditions and how addictions treatment influence HIV transmission and treatment. **Audience:** Health educators, outreach workers, mental health professionals, nurses, case managers, public health professionals, social workers, and substance abuse professionals. This training is sponsored by the University of South Carolina School of Medicine. For questions about this training, please email Shauna R. Cooper at [coopersr@dhec.sc.gov](mailto:coopersr@dhec.sc.gov) or call 803-898-0480.

  **Supporting Sexual Health among Young MSM of Color:** This training will explore the social factors that impact sexual and substance use behaviors among young men who have sex with men (MSM) of color. Health and human services providers will examine how these factors contribute to high rates of sexual and substance use risk behaviors among HIV positive and HIV negative MSM of color. **Audience:** Health educators, outreach workers, mental health professionals, nurses, disease intervention specialists, public health professionals, social workers, and substance abuse professionals.

 **Syphilis Management:** This one-hour training will review the spectrum of clinical manifestations of syphilis, discuss the use of optimal diagnostic testing for the evaluation of syphilis, and strategies for implementing syphilis management consistent with the CDC STD treatment guidelines. **Audience:** Health educator, mental health professionals, disease intervention specialists, nurses, case managers, nurse practitioners, public health professionals, physicians, physician assistants, social workers, and substance abuse professionals. This training is sponsored by the University of South Carolina School of Medicine. For questions about this training, please email Shauna R. Cooper at [coopersr@dhec.sc.gov](mailto:coopersr@dhec.sc.gov) or call 803-898-0480.

  **Taking a Sexual History:** This training will discuss the need for more sexual history training among clinical providers, discuss the importance of obtaining a gender-neutral sexual history, review barriers to routine sexual histories/testing, and discuss unintended benefits for providers who conduct routine sexual histories. **Audience:** Health educator, mental health professional, disease intervention specialist, nurse, nurse practitioner, public health professional, physician, physician assistant, social worker, substance abuse professional. This training is sponsored by the University of South Carolina School of Medicine. For questions about this training, please email Shauna R. Cooper at [coopersr@dhec.sc.gov](mailto:coopersr@dhec.sc.gov) or call 803-898-0480.

 **The LGBTQMSM Alphabet:** Participants of this three-hour training will have a better understanding of the impact of stigma, oppression, violence, and trauma on the LGBTQ community and they will also review screening and intervention strategies to address violence and trauma. **Audience:** Health educators, mental health professionals, disease intervention specialists, nurses, case managers, nurse practitioners, public health professionals, physicians, physician assistants, social workers, and substance abuse professionals. This training is sponsored by the University of South Carolina School of Medicine. For questions about this training, please email Shauna R. Cooper at [coopersr@dhec.sc.gov](mailto:coopersr@dhec.sc.gov) or call 803-898-0480.

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   **Transgender 101: An Introductory Training for Staff of Health and Human Services Agencies:**

Participants of this two-hour training will be provided in-depth information on transgender health needs and best practices for working specifically with clients who are transgender or gender -variant. This training is sponsored by S.C. Equality. **Audience:** Health educators, mental health professionals, disease intervention specialists, nurses, case managers, nurse practitioners, public health professionals, other advanced practice nurses, physicians, social workers, benefits counselors, and substance abuse professionals.

**Note: The webinar version of this training will have a shorter duration.**

 **Understanding Herpes:** This one-day training will explore the differences and similarities between herpes simplex virus 1 (HSV-1) and herpes simplex virus 2 (HSV-2) and how infection can impact a person's life both medically and emotionally. Training discussion will include transmission, prevention, symptoms (i.e. primary vs recurrent outbreaks), treatment options, disclosure, and pregnancy. Participants will also gain a solid understanding of the increased risk that HSV can place on HIV acquisition/transmission. **Audience:** Health educators, outreach workers, mental health professionals, disease intervention specialists, nurses, case managers, nurse practitioners, public health professionals, other advanced practice nurses, physicians, social workers, and substance abuse professionals.

 **Understanding Sexual Addiction:** This two-day training is designed to provide participants with a deeper understanding of the relationship of sexual addiction to the spread of HIV, the nature of this illness, and ways to appropriately treat those living with it. **Audience:** Health educators, outreach workers, mental health professionals, disease intervention specialists, nurses, case managers, nurse practitioners, public health professionals, other advanced practice nurses, physicians, social workers, and substance abuse professionals.

 **Understanding Viral Hepatitis:** Participants of this one-day training will be provided information on the different types of viral hepatitis and their potential for liver disease progression. A thorough discussion of viral hepatitis transmission, prevention, symptoms, testing methods, and treatments will be provided. To register for this training, you must have successfully completed the following prerequisites: HIV 101 for Clinical Staff or HIV 101 for Non-clinical Staff, STIs 101, and S.C. HIV/STD Laws. **Audience:** Health educators, outreach workers, mental health professionals, disease intervention specialists, nurses, case managers, nurse practitioners, public health professionals, other advanced practice nurses, physicians, social workers, and substance abuse professionals.

**Note: This training is a prerequisite for Hepatitis C: Screening, Diagnosis, Linkage to Care.**