

# HIV. LIVE WITH IT. GET TESTED! Week

## DECEMBER 1-9, 2000

### outposted testing highlights for New York City

"HIV. Live With It. Get Tested!" Week begins on World AIDS Day, December 1, and extends through December 9. "Get Tested!" Week will reach deep into communities where at-risk youth reside to encourage free, confidential, youth-friendly HIV counseling and testing.

Some of the many diverse outpost testing sites are highlighted here:

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 <div>3</div> <div><b>The Bronx Defenders</b> <b>3:00–7:00 P.M.</b> (Outposted testing conducted by the Adolescent AIDS Program, Montefiore Medical Center) 890 Grant Avenue Bronx, NY ☎ (718) 838-7878 x7885 Contact: Franklin Cruz</div>	<div>4</div> <div><b>Better Bronx for Youth</b> <b>5:00–7:30 P.M.</b> (Outposted testing conducted by Project Street Beat) 329 East 149th Street Bronx, NY ☎ (718) 665-2449 Contact: Denise Arthur</div>	<div>5</div> <div><b>Hispanic AIDS Forum</b> <b>3:00–6:00 P.M.</b> (Outposted testing conducted by the Adolescent AIDS Program, Montefiore Medical Center) 886 Westchester Avenue, Bronx, NY ☎ (718) 328-4188 Contact: Nathaly Rubio-Torio</div>	<div>6</div> <div><b>Talbot Perkins Children's Services</b> <b>2:30–6:30 P.M.</b> (Outposted testing conducted by Gay Men's Health Crisis) 116 West 32nd Street 12th Floor New York, NY ☎ (212) 736-2510 Contact: Ellen Shaw</div>	<div>7</div> <div><b>New York Public Library, Mothaven, Bronx</b> <b>2:30–6:30 P.M.</b> (Outposted testing conducted by Project Street Beat) 321 East 140th Street (at Alexander Ave.) Bronx, NY ☎ (718) 665-4878 Contact: K. Giles</div>	<div>8</div> <div><b>East Harlem HIV Care Network Basketball Tournament</b> <b>1:00–5:00 P.M.</b> (Outposted testing by St. Luke's Hospital) NOTE: A tournament is also taking place on December 2, 1:00–4:00 P.M. 158 East 115th Street, Suite 218 New York, NY ☎ (212) 828-6141 Contact: Ely Fontanez</div>	<div>9</div>
					The Adolescent AIDS Program at Montefiore Medical Center's outpost testing partners include: Gay Men's Health Crisis, Health and Education Alternatives for Teens at Kings County, Project STAY at Columbia, Project Street Beat (Planned Parenthood of New York City), Ryan SHOUT Van, Staten Island University Hospital, and St. Luke's/Roosevelt Hospital Center. For a complete list of outpost testing sites during Get Tested! Week, please contact Liz Panos, SENSEI Health, (212) 581-2770 or lpanos@senseihealth.com.	

# HIGHLIGHTS OF **HIV. LIVE WITH IT. GET TESTED!**

## 2000 Campaign Events



► In **Los Angeles** "Reaching Today's Youth: Community Health Issues in the New Millennium," conference enhances HIV prevention, testing and treatment knowledge and skills among teachers, health care providers, community youth programs and domestic violence shelters. [November 14]

► Outposted testing is available at numerous sites including, "Out of the Closet" thrift shops, benefiting from generosity of donations from Los Angeles' numerous celebrities (such as Elizabeth Taylor, Carol Burnett and Ellen DeGeneres) and film and television production companies. [December 1-9]

► In **Miami** an emotive educational play, "No Not Me, I'm Too Young," about a girl who was born with HIV and died from AIDS at age 16 is performed for an audience of 450 inner-city youth. [World AIDS Day, December 1, 5:00 P.M. at the Greater Bethel AME Church, 245 N.W. 8th Street, Miami.]

► Miami sets its outreach program to music by collaborating with rap star Midnite to write and record "Gettin' Busy," a CD that will be played at local Miami churches, schools and community organizations. [December 1-9]

► **New York** organizes a landmark multidisciplinary conference for providers and youth, "Gettin' Busy: Youth and HIV," featuring a key note address by New York State Health Commissioner Antonia Novello, MD, DPH, designed to improve health care providers' understanding and implementation of voluntary HIV counseling, testing, treatment and prevention among their adolescent patients. [October 24]

► A "Hittin' the Zip" squad consisting of a team of multigenerational men and women fans out through New York City neighborhoods to distribute "Get Tested!" materials and messages from posters and palm cards to condoms and the second annual issue of a teen zine called "The Deal." The team and medical providers organize HIV testing at outposted testing sites including churches, libraries and community organizations. [November-December]

► In **Washington, D.C.**, Children's National Medical Center hosts a training session for local high school newspaper journalists and kicks off a teen journalism contest, with the best health story on Project ACCESS receiving scholarship funds. [November 10]

► Washington's New School Activists—peer educators with urban flair—use poetry and Hip-Hop to promote and encourage healthier decision-making processes among youth through the recognition and utilization of their own creativity. [December 1, 11:00 A.M., at The George Washington University Campus—Marvin Center, 21st and H Streets NW, Washington, D.C.]

► The **Baltimore** "Sex and Life 101," a youth-oriented theatre troupe musical, based on the musical "The Wiz," charts the characters along the yellow brick road to HIV testing. [World AIDS Day, December 1, 7:00-9:00 P.M., Dunbar High School, 1400 Orleans Street, Baltimore.]

► On-the-street health education targets four segments of the youth population, one week each to gay/lesbian youth, youth in the criminal justice system, teen parents, and college-age youth. [November]

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