The AETCs are a network of regional education centers that train clinical healthcare providers, provide clinical guidance and technical assistance, and disseminate guidelines and best practices for the effective management of HIV infection.

The network achieves these goals by working with a select group of Regional Partner sites covering all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and 6 U.S. Pacific jurisdictions.

The AETCs provide education, training, technical assistance and educational clinical consultations utilizing various modalities including:

- Real-time, in-person presentations
- Distance-based real-time and archived presentations
- Development of guides, posters and other instructional materials for clinicians
- Facilitation of “communities of practice”
- Development, implementation and hosting of individualized clinical preceptorships
- Development of self-study materials
- Technical assistance on topics pertaining to HIV care
- Innovative care delivery approaches and models
- Educational clinical consultation with expert clinicians (live, telephonic or web-based)

The AETCs are a program of the Health Resources and Services Administration, Bureau of HIV/AIDS, Division of Training and Capacity Development, funded by Part F of the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Extension Act.

Continuing education credits are available for selected offerings. Credits may include Continuing Medical Education (CME), Continuing Nurse Education (CNE), Continuing Dental Education (CDE), Continuing Pharmacy Education (CPE), Social Work Continuing Education (SWCE) and other professional educational credits.

For more information, please visit: www.maaetc.org

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**OUR MISSION**

- Increase the size and strengthen the knowledge and skill of the healthcare workforce in the US to provide comprehensive HIV prevention, treatment and care
- Improve outcomes along the HIV Care Continuum¹, including diagnosis, linkage, retention, antiretroviral treatment, and viral suppression through specific training modalities
- Reduce new infection, improve early HIV treatment linkage and care coordination, and integrate behavioral health to improve the care continuum for persons with HIV

**OUR WORK**

- Identify HIV/AIDS education and training needs of health care professionals in our region
- Work collaboratively within the AETC network, regional networks, and other federal training centers
- Create and support partnerships and capacity building with health care organizations providing patient care at the local level
- Works collaboratively with state and local government agencies in HIV and other public health related initiatives
- Focus on clinical care settings not providing HIV care or needing assistance in increasing their ability to provide HIV testing, treatment, and care
- Train and provide technical assistance to health care professionals, interprofessional health teams, and health care organizations on the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of HIV disease, including: opportunistic infections, hepatitis, noninfec tious diseases associated with HIV, sexually transmitted diseases, oral health, and co-occurring substance use and mental illness

**CORE TRAINING GOALS**

To identify knowledge, quality, and service gaps within the US Public Health Service Region III based upon needs assessment and input from stakeholders and develop educational programming to reduce these gaps

**PRACTICE TRANSFORMATION PROJECT (PTP) GOALS**

To identify, collaborate, and transform selected clinics to build their capacity to provide quality HIV care by increasing clinical competencies, improving coordination of services, and building the HIV clinical workforce, aimed at improving patient outcomes along the HIV Care Continuum

**INTERPROFESSIONAL EDUCATION PROJECT (IPE) GOALS**

To develop and test a model for interprofessional practice within health professions schools and disseminate the model throughout USPHS Region III to improve the HIV Care Continuum

**MINORITY AIDS INITIATIVE (MAI) GOALS**

To develop and implement targeted training to agencies and programs serving minorities and minority health professionals to reduce disparities in access and improve the HIV Care Continuum.

**CENTER HEADQUARTERS**

The MAAETC headquarters is located at the Department of Infectious Diseases and Microbiology, Graduate School of Public Health, University of Pittsburgh in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The University of Pittsburgh is responsible for overall direction, monitoring, and evaluation the MidAtlantic AIDS Education and Training Center in meeting the requirements of the HRSA, HIV/AIDS Bureau, Division of Training and Capacity Development, Grant No. U1OHA29295.

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**1 National HIV/AIDS Strategy 2015: HIV Care Continuum Initiative**