National HIV/AIDS Strategy Update

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In the words of President Obama, the National HIV/AIDS Strategy “focuses on making sure that every American, no matter who you are, where you live, or how much money you’ve got, can get access to life-extending care.” Launched in 2010, it’s our country’s game plan for fighting the epidemic. This summer, the White House updated the HIV/AIDS strategy for the next five years. The 2020 plan factors in passage of the Affordable Care Act (a.k.a. Obamacare), new data on pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP), and the benefits of starting meds early and getting undetectable. It also aims to expand HIV testing and to focus on populations at highest risk, including transgender women and young gay men of color. As Obama says: “Let’s keep working for an AIDS-free generation.”

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