Everyday — January/February 2020

Here are some important dates in AIDS history.

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These dates are represent milestones in the HIV epidemic and are part of an ongoing art project with Visual AIDS. For more, visit poz.com/aidsiseveryday.

January

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1 – Established to advocate for global action to combat the epidemic and to coordinate HIV/AIDS efforts across the U.N. system, the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) commences operations. (1996)

21 – The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP) for people exposed to HIV, saying treatment should start no more than 72 hours after a person has been exposed to the virus. (2005)

22 – The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria is established as a partnership between governments, civil society organizations, the private sector and affected communities designed to accelerate the end of AIDS. (2002)

February

6 – Professional tennis player Arthur Ashe dies of an AIDS-related illness. (1993)

7 – National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day

15 – The National Association of People with AIDS (NAPWA) announces it has ceased operations and filed for bankruptcy. (2013)

“When We Rise”

27 – The first episode of the miniseries When We Rise airs on ABC. The epic retelling of the LGBT civil rights movement spans four decades and is based on real-life pioneers. (2017)

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