Good News for Those Who Missed AIDS 2020: Virtual

Discussions, sessions and abstracts from the International AIDS Conference are now available online for free!

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Now that you've read the POZ news reports from last month's 23rd International AIDS Conference (AIDS 2020: Virtual), you can dive even deeper into the content. That's because the research abstracts and community discussions and plenary sessions are now available to read or watch online for free at AIDS2020.org.

Much like attending the conferences in person, combing through the digital content can be overwhelming. The website includes over 1,800 poster presentations and more than 100 symposia and sessions, plus the 12 main sessions of AIDS 2020 and numerous forums and events.

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This includes the opening addresses from Speaker Nancy Pelosi and Congresswoman Barbara Lee, both Democrats from California with a long history of HIV advocacy. The two kicked off the conference with the first of a four-part series of interviews titled “On the Red Sofa.” Other big-name speakers include Winnie Byanyima, who leads the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) and spoke about the future of HIV, and Sir Elton John and his husband, David Furnish, who discussed stigma, marginalized communities and COVID-19.

Other viewable plenaries and sessions tackle subjects such as HIV vaccine and cure research, aging with HIV, women’s resilience and U=U: A global perspective, to name a few.

The international AIDS conference is held every two years in a different city across the globe. AIDS 2020 was slated to take place in July in San Francisco and nearby Oakland but was held virtually due to COVID-19.

At this year’s conference, scientists presented new data about the promise of injectable PrEP (pre-exposure prophylaxis), whether people on HIV treatment gain weight faster than those without HIV and the likelihood that a Brazilian man was the first person cured of HIV without a bone marrow transplant. To read research findings from the conference on POZ.com, click #AIDS 2020.

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