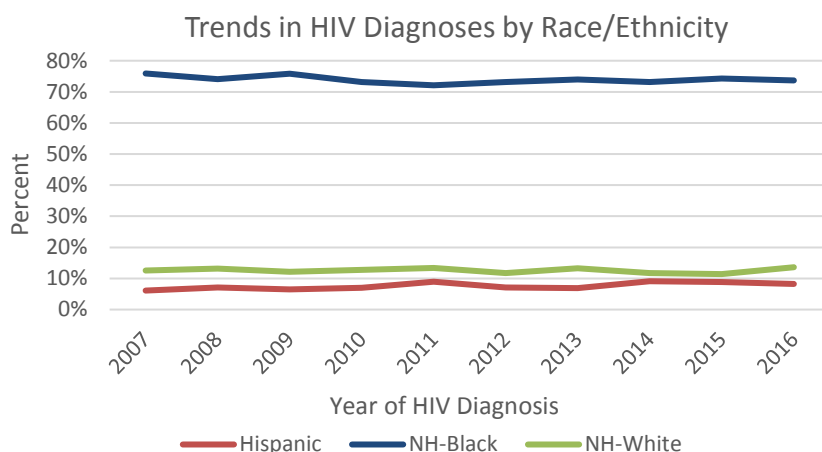# HIV AMONG BLACKS IN MARYLAND, 2016
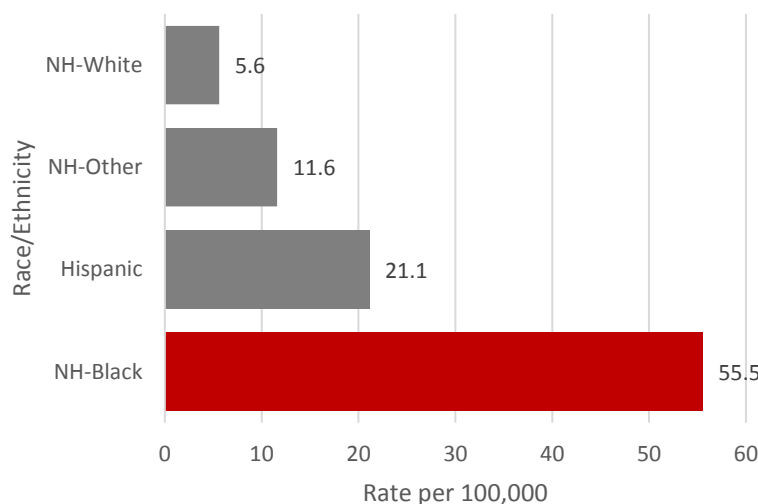
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### New HIV Diagnoses

- In Maryland in 2016, **NH-Blacks** accounted for **73.7%** (**824**) of the **1,118** reported adult/adolescent HIV diagnoses (age 13+).

- Case rates among newly reported adult/adolescent HIV diagnoses in 2016 remain highest among **NH-Blacks** (**55.5 per 100,000**).

**Trends in HIV Diagnoses by Race/Ethnicity**



Percent vs. Year of HIV Diagnosis (2007–2016)
Legend: Hispanic — NH-Black — NH-White

### 2016 HIV Diagnoses by Race/Ethnicity



Rate per 100,000 by Race/Ethnicity:
- NH-White: 5.6
- NH-Other: 11.6
- Hispanic: 21.1
- NH-Black: 55.5
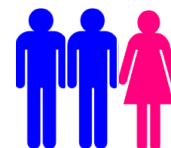
### Characteristics of Blacks Living with HIV

**Current Age**
- **31.2% 50's**
- **23.7% 40's**
- 18.4% 30's
- 15.7% 60's
- 10.7% 20's
- 0.3% Teens

**Exposure Category***
- **38.3% HET**
- **30.5% MSM**
- 19.7% IDU
- 3.2% MSM/IDU
- 0.2% Other

- Of the **30,430** total living adult/adolescent HIV cases (with or without AIDS) in 2016 in Maryland, **74.2%** (**22,572**) of those were among NH-Blacks. In other words, **1 in 65 NH-Blacks** was reported to be living with HIV in Maryland.

- Total living HIV case rates (of all ages) in 2016 in Maryland were nearly **two** times higher among **NH-Black males** (**1,727.0 per 100,000**) as compared to NH-Black females (**904.9**). In other words, **1 in 57** NH-Black males and **1 in 110** NH-Black females were reported to be living with HIV in Maryland.

- Common estimated exposure categories among **NH-Blacks** living with HIV were **HET** (**38.3%**) and **MSM** (**30.5%**). Among **NH-Black men** with a reported or estimated exposure, **52.8%** were **MSM** and **21.0%** were **IDU**. Among **NH-Black women** with a reported or estimated exposure, the most common exposure was **HET** (**77.3%**).

- Of the **22,572** total living HIV cases among NH-Blacks in Maryland, over half (**64.9%**) had a **viral load test** result reported in 2016. Of those **14,638** with a reported test result, **78.0%** had a **suppressed viral load**.

**NH:** Non-Hispanic | **HET:** Heterosexual Exposure | **MSM:** Men who have Sex with Men | **IDU:** Injection Drug User