Q1: What are the biggest health issues facing the trans community? #transhealthchat

A1: Access is a big issue. Economic inequality can make access to insurance & affirming care a challenge for trans people. #transhealthchat
A1: in our @PositivelyTrans survey, access to nondiscriminatory care marked #1 health concern #transhealthchat

A @WHO report found trans women are 49x as likely to be living w/ HIV than the general population #transhealthchat

#Trans ppl denied bathroom access = 1.45x more likely to attempt suicide than those w/ access #transhealthchat A1

Nearly 50% of #trans youth seriously considered attempting suicide- 41% #trans ppl have attempted #transhealthchat A1
Q2: Why is the trans community disproportionately affected by HIV?
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@Pride_For_Youth: Lack of education. As @nycHealthy stated, trans people may not feel as though the services are targeted to their population.

@AmidaCareNY: 65% of respondents @LambdaLegal encountered providers unaware of trans health needs. ow.ly/vsrN30tKDG9 #transhealthchat

@nycHealthy: Traditionally, HIV prevention & services have been marketed to gay men/MSM, while not including trans women. #transhealthchat @AmidaCareNY

@IrisHouse: Housing and food insecurity create scenarios where trans women are vulnerable. #TransHealthChat @AmidaCareNY

@HousingWorks: Anti-trans bias -> socioeconomic challenges -> negative health outcomes. See @transequality report tinyurl.com/mih3qah #transhealthchat

@ASCNYC: Many transgender women are forced to turn to sex work, dramatically increasing their risk of contracting HIV. #transhealthchat

@TheTrevorProject: If #LGBTQ & need housing, there are resources. Find your local LGBT center: gbtnearmme.org #transhealthchat

@AmidaCareNY: 1 in 10 trans people have been evicted due to gender identity. w/o stable home, hard to be healthy. ow.ly/InLF830tKDG9 #transhealthchat
Q3: How can we prevent the number of new HIV cases in the trans community?

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A3: Some gender nonconforming people do not identify as transgender... 1/2
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A3: It's important to make sure ALL patients offered HIV testing & PrEP education: on nyc.gov/prep #transhealthchat @AmidaCareNY 2/2

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@nycHealthy PrEP isn't right for everyone, but everyone should consider it. Learn more here: ow.ly/nHmz3O1bUj #transhealthchat

Demetre Daskalakis @Demetre · Jun 23

@AmidaCareNY @nycHealthy Don't forget PEP!

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@DiDemetre @nycHealthy PEP is an important HIV prevention tool & a possible gateway to PrEP

Gay City News @GayCityNews · Jun 23

@AmidaCareNY Addressing lack of knowledge re PrEP in community and among health care providers & confronting stigma key #transhealthchat

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@GayCityNews PrEP & trans-inclusive cultural competency trainings for health providers & care coordinators are critical #transhealthchat

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@AmidaCareNY & education among general public vital-stigma in relationships, domestic life can be dangerous @antiviolence #transhealthchat
A3: Providing the trans community with social & economic empowerment is a critical step in addressing the issue. #transhealthchat


A3: Ensuring access to tools like #PrEP is also essential to preventing HIV-negative individuals from becoming infected. #transhealthchat

Learn more about #PrEP with @CallenLorde's PrEP 101 video series and decide if it's right for you. ow.ly/h1mz301sbiU #transhealthchat
Q4: What are the biggest challenges for trans individuals in accessing quality care?
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@AmidaCareNY Access to insurance, educated providers, ignorance and stigma
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Pride For Youth @Pride_For_Youth • Jun 23
@AmidaCareNY Validation from care providers. #transhealthchat

The Trevor Project @Trevorproject
80% trans students feel unsafe@school bec.of genderexpression
thetrevorproject.org/Lifeguard =>safe spaces
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Housing Works @housingworks • Jun 23
Q4 Medical providers who do not know how to treat or talk to trans patients often alienate them: vimeo.com/ondemand/21493 #transhealthchat

Watch TRANSforming Healthcare: Transgender Cult... Members of the transgender community face many barriers when attempting to access health care. Medical providers are not required to learn about transgender p... vimeo.com
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19% of trans people have been refused care, 28% have been harassed in a dr's office in US via @HRC ow.ly/Pnk9301kDyX #transhealthchat

Transgender People and HIV: What We Know
This research brief highlights what we know about HIV and transgender people in the United States.
hrc.org

Gay City News @GayCityNews · Jun 23
Trans people have rights to #healthcare like everyone else. @TransEquality explains them here: ow.ly/sfsj301kJdA #transhealthchat

Housing Works @housingworks · Jun 23
Q4 We need more health providers trained in #trans-specific care & cultural competencies tinyurl.com/2fjtyty #transhealthchat

The world's biggest health organization may do something big to help... Here's the catch.
motherjones.com
Q5: How can healthcare providers be better equipped to work with trans patients?
#transhealthchat

A5: Misgendering is a major issue, especially with archaic medical forms or lack of cultural awareness. This must improve!
#transhealthchat
A5: Training on how to care for trans people should be at all stages of medical education. Medical school, GME, & CME. #transhealthchat

Jordan Rubenstein @jwrubenstein · Jun 23
@AmidaCareNY Start from the ground up. Data collection & systems must be trans & nonbinary inclusive. Gender is not M/F. #transhealthchat

Amida Care @AmidaCareNY · Jun 23
@jwrubenstein Great point! At Amida Care, we give members the option to self-identify their gender #transhealthchat

nycHealthy @nycHealthy · Jun 23
A5: Providers should create welcoming, safer offices for trans patients. Guidance: on.nyc.gov/28TnnzP #transhealthchat @AmidaCareNY

nycHealthy @nycHealthy · Jun 23
A5: Take affirming sexual histories; empower trans patients to use PrEP and PEP. on.nyc.gov/28Tb1IQ #transhealthchat @AmidaCareNY

Iris House @irishouse · Jun 23
@AmidaCareNY Better data = better funding. In 2013, avail data showed only 3 HIV+ Transwomen in Cent Harlem. Shenanigans #transhealthchat

E. Kale Edmiston PhD @EKaleEdmiston · Jun 23
@AmidaCareNY They can educate themselves by reviewing Endo Society and WPATH guidelines and conferring with experiences colleagues
Amida Care @AmidaCareNY

Q6: What have been some of the biggest recent steps forward in trans rights in New York? #transhealthchat

The Center @LGBTQCenterNYC

A6: Increased city funding to support trans-focused organizations is a step in the right direction. #transhealthchat

nycHealthy @nycHealthy · Jun 23

A6: NYC employers cannot provide health plans that deny or exclude transgender medical care. #transhealthchat @AmidaCareNY 1/2

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A6: More info from @NYCCHR: on.nyc.gov/26UVglw #transhealthchat @AmidaCareNY 2/2

The Trevor Project @TrevorProject · Jun 23

If a #trans youth, your story matters. Share it with a safe community at TrevorSpace.org #transhealthchat Q6

Housing Works @housingworks

Q6/A6 Greater visibility for trans people to tell their own stories & share them w/ the broader public #transhealthchat
A6: Just this week, @NYCCouncil passed legislation protecting gender identities: cbsloc.al/28Ts9og #transhealthchat

City Council Approves Gender Neutral Bathroom Legislation
The measure, sponsored by council member Daniel Dromm would require single-occupant toilets to be available for people of all genders.
newyork.cbslocal.com

Iris House @irishouse · Jun 23
A6: Some good progress, but need to include #Transmen and #Transmale Issues in discussion as well. #transhealthchat

Housing Works @housingworks · Jun 23
Q6/A6 NYS # Medicaid now covers trans-specific care (hormone therapy, gender reassignment surgery) tinyurl.com/jydfapz #transhealthchat

Harlem United @HarlemUnited
A6: New regulations has resulted in more visibility, which can hopefully lead to even more funding and education. #transhealthchat
Q7: How can New York better support its trans community? #transhealthchat

Iris House @irishouse · Jun 23
@AmidaCareNY HASA for All. #transhealthchat

Gay City News @GayCityNews · Jun 23
@AmidaCareNY Awareness of 2002 NYC trans rights law, @NYGovCuomo's new regs re coverage under state human rights law key #transhealthchat

Pride For Youth @Pride_For_Youth · Jun 23
@AmidaCareNY NYC may have protections for #Trans individuals but #LongIsland is far behind. #transhealthchat

Pride For Youth @Pride_For_Youth · Jun 23
@AmidaCareNY remember that we still have so far to go. #wearefarfromdone #thefightisfarfromover #transhealthchat

Housing Works @housingworks · Jun 23
Q7/A7 Support of trans ppl can also begin w/ the basics. If you don't know someone’s preferred pronouns, just ask politely! #transhealthchat
A7: NYC schools should have gender neutral language and cultural education. Creating change at the youth level is vital. #transhealthchat

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A7: We need to continue the fight for protections like GENDA (Gender Expression Non-Discrimination Act). #transhealthchat

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A7: We also need to support programs that are trans driven and trans led. #transhealthchat

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Gov't funding for housing for HIV+ people will impact the lives & health of trans individuals. ow.ly/QmoY301x4h #transhealthchat

Housing Works @housingworks - Jun 23
Q7/A7 Fight to decriminalize sex work! tinyurl.com/j4frmeru #transhealthchat

Demetre Daskalakis @DrDemetre - 3h
A7: Judge less love more. Diversity is what makes NYC magic! Do not tolerate bias it is as violent as a weapon #transhealthchat
Amida Care has been a home for 400 HIV+ trans individuals. Let's work together to end new infections. #transhealthchat

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Speak up for #trans rights at @audrelorde's #TransDayOfAction #TDOA16 tomorrow. Details here: ow.ly/iblx301kDUI #transhealthchat

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Thanks everyone for participating in #transhealthchat! We appreciate all your insights on this topic.

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@AmidaCareNY TY for hosting! We appreciate all participants. You showed #LGBTQ youth their futures matter #translivesmatter #transhealthchat

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