Fact Sheet

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Nebraska HIV/AIDS Treatment Cascade

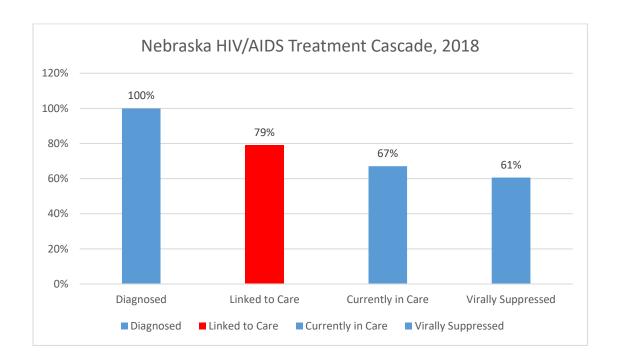
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Background

- For a person living with HIV to achieve viral suppression, they need access to a continuum of care
 - HIV testing and diagnosis
 - o Linkage to appropriate medical care
 - o Access to antiretroviral treatment
 - Support while on treatment
- The HIV/AIDS treatment cascade provides a way to identify gaps in care
 - Visual tool to demonstrate the number of persons living with HIV/AIDS who receive full medical care and treatment benefits

Definitions

- This information helps state and local policymakers and service providers better support the HIV positive community
- Diagnosed: People who have been diagnosed with HIV and currently live in Nebraska
- Currently in Care: Of the diagnosed the number of people who have had at least 1 lab test (CD4 and/or viral load) within the last year
- Viral Suppression: Of the diagnosed the number of people whose last viral load was less than 200
- Linked to Care: Of those who are newly diagnosed the number of people who had a lab test (CD4 and/or viral load) within 3 months of diagnosis (persons newly diagnosed that calendar year)



Among the 2453 persons living with HIV/AIDS (PLWHA) in Nebraska, 1646 (67%) are currently in care. Of the 78 newly diagnosed persons in 2018, 62 (79%) were linked to care within 1 month. Of the 2453 PLWHA, 1487 (61%) were virally suppressed based on their last viral load by the end of 201.

The following charts represent percentages at each cascade level for each group

