PrEP/PEP Provision in Pharmacies (P4) LA County Collaborative: Responsibilities & Shared Objectives

Main Objective of the P4 Coalition
Develop a practical strategies and solutions to address high HIV rates and low PrEP use in Los Angeles County based on locally-collected data (interviews & surveys) and input from key partners (i.e. pharmacists, community members, health practitioners, researchers).

P4 Study Specifics:
- Interview key partners (regional public health practitioners, pharmacists, researchers, community organizations and members) on the HIV prevention landscape in LAC and the barriers and facilitators to providing PrEP/PEP in pharmacies (N=30)
- Survey pharmacists working in identified PrEP deserts and non-PrEP deserts.
- Ongoing assessment of the collected study data (interviews and survey) to develop a locally-based strategies and solutions to improve PrEP access and uptake in pharmacies among high priority populations.

Shared Objectives:
- Reduce HIV rates in Los Angeles County, especially in areas with low PrEP accessibility
- Identify systemic/persistent gaps and issues in access, availability, and delivery of HIV prevention services for high priority populations.
- Determine efficient ways for pharmacists to be involved in HIV prevention (i.e. examining barriers and facilitators to prescribing PrEP/PEP in pharmacies)

P4 Collaborative Members’ Responsibilities:
- Attend monthly/quarterly meetings (end of project is July 2024)
- Review project materials (i.e., survey/interview guide); fine-tune to ask local questions and represent local groups
- Assess presented data form interviews and survey and provide input based on professional and personal experiences
- Work with other members to develop a practical strategy to improve PrEP/PEP access in pharmacies in Los Angeles County

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