

COMMITTED TO KEEPING OUR COMMUNITY HEALTHY & SAFE



ANNUAL REPORT

## FROM OUR CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

2022 was the year that we meaningfully began to return to an in-person, post-pandemic world, specifically in our Education and Community programs, while continuing our in-person medical and behavioral treatment. It has been amazing to experience the connection and joy in being face-to-face with our community members again. Our staff has done a tremendous job in continuing to foster welcoming, healthy and safe spaces for Philadelphians who need it most.

In October 2022, ICJ hosted the event Making a Difference in Our Neighborhood Community at the Church of the Advocate, where people who have experienced incarceration received access to important services such as a criminal record review, voter registration, opportunities for employment, and assistance with free cell phone enrollment services. As noted in last year's Annual Report, it was important for people returning from prison and jail to know that they had somewhere to go to for help. FIGHT received support to bolster medical-dental integration at the Pediatrics and Young Adult Medicine Center, allowing us to connect even more children and young adults to health and dental services. The World AIDS Day annual Prayer Breakfast was held in person for the first time since 2019, attracting over two hundred guests and reminding us of the strength of Philadelphia's faith communities. FIGHT hosted Adam Castillejo, "The London Patient," who is the second person known to be cured of HIV infection when his body became resistant to HIV infection after receiving a bone marrow transplant. Reminding us of why we have been committed to this work for so long, he spoke of spreading hope for a future HIV cure. In 2022, Google paid tribute online to FIGHT leader Kiyoshi Kuromiya. A personal assistant to the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., he was also one of the founders of Gay Liberation Front/Philadelphia and served as an openly gay delegate to the Black Panther Convention that endorsed the gay liberation struggle. He was involved with ACT-UP Philadelphia; PWA empowerment; We The People Living with HIV/AIDS; national and international research advocacy; and loving and compassionate mentorship and care for hundreds of people living with HIV.

Looking forward to the next year, we are working to make AIDS Education Month partially live, with plans for a live opening event on June 1st with guest speakers and panels at the Doubletree Hotel, along with an event at the Wistar Institute. Symbolically this is happening as we emerge from the COVID pandemic, and as you'll see both in this report as well as in upcoming in-person events, we are centering our work around legacy and the roots of who FIGHT is as an organization. In joyous news, FIGHT's signature program Project TEACH has returned to in-person programming, attracting new participants and continuing to boast a strong alumni network. We see programs like TEACH as the heart and soul of the organization, and are proud to share their reflections and achievements in this report.



2022 was also the opportunity to honor long-standing members of FIGHT – patients and board members – while welcoming new leadership. We honor Bishop Ernest McNear and Scott Wilds, whose countless years of service as Board Members have helped FIGHT thrive as well as survive challenges such as the pandemic. We honor long-time patients who have trusted us with literally their lives; in return FIGHT has helped them manage good health and has been a source of support and love. And we now welcome new leadership such as Board Member Juli Miller, and our new Chief Clinical Officer Kari Hexem, who started at FIGHT during her time in dental school. Dr. Hexem has been FIGHT's leader and innovator in our dentistry work, and is now at the helm of our medical system. We are proud of our work, our patients, and our staff, and it is an honor to be of service to the Philadelphia community. We thank you in advance for whatever support you can provide FIGHT, since your generosity makes our programs and services possible.

Sincerely,

Jane Shull, Chief Executive Director



## ABOUT US :: LEADERSHIP

**OUR MISSION:** Philadelphia FIGHT Community Health Centers, a Federally Qualified Health Center, is a comprehensive health services organization dedicated primarily to low-income individuals, people living with HIV/AIDS and to those at high risk. Our mission is to provide clients with state-of-the-art, culturally competent HIV specialty care, primary care, consumer education, advocacy, social services, outreach and access to the most advanced clinical research.

**OUR MODEL:** We offer a full array of medical programs and services in one stop. Clients can work with FIGHT from start to finish, from testing to primary care, case management, mental health therapy, substance abuse programs, reentry services and education. All FIGHT programs and services are offered regardless of gender, race, color, sex, religious beliefs, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, insurance status or your ability to pay.

**OUR CLIENTS:** Philadelphia FIGHT serves some of the city's most marginalized and disenfranchised individuals. Annually, we provide direct services to more than 10,000 people and over 15,000 through community outreach.



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Chief Executive  
Officer



**JOSE VIRELLA**  
Chief Financial  
Officer



**CATRINA PEEPLES**  
Chief Human  
Resources Officer



**KARI HEXEM, DMD, MPH**  
Chief Clinical  
Officer



**ASSATA THOMAS\***  
Chief Community  
Justice Officer



**AKIA FEGGANS**  
Chief Integrated  
Behavioral Health Officer

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS



TOP, LEFT TO RIGHT: Bishop Ernest McNear, President; Lovada Washington, Vice President; Rick Lombardo, Treasurer; Andy St. Remy, Secretary; Kevin Cotten, Scott Drake, Dexter Hogan. BOTTOM, LEFT TO RIGHT: Luis Montaner, DVM, DPhil; Grace Rutha, Dr. David E. Thomas, Susan Thomas, Terry Trudeau, Scott Wilds, Rev. Dr. W. Wilson Goode, Sr., Juli Miller, \*Assata Thomas (left FIGHT in 2022 and recently joined FIGHT's board)



## FIGHT HONORS :: BOARD MEMBERS

### ► Bishop Ernest McNear

FIGHT honors Board President Bishop Ernest McNear, who has served on FIGHT's board for over twenty years and has been its Board President for five years. While leading the True Gospel Tabernacle Church, Bishop McNear has always prioritized HIV education, outreach and treatment in his work with Philadelphia's faith community and in leading missionary work in Ghana. Through FIGHT's Office of Faith Initiatives, Bishop McNear has hosted the annual Prayer Breakfast commemorating World AIDS Day, has led and curated educational conferences and curriculum development geared towards faith leaders, and has blessed the world with his musical talent in highly attended live performances featuring him and his choir. "What compelled me to join the board was the uniqueness of FIGHT's mission in working with the HIV/AIDS community. In my work as a faith leader, I was committed to healing HIV/AIDS and finding a cure, just like we are at FIGHT." We thank you for your service Bishop McNear!

### ► Scott Wilds

FIGHT honors long-time Board Member Scott Wilds, who has served on the Board for 27 years and recently transitioned to the role of President Emeritus. As Board Chair for a significant time in his service, Scott's involvement with FIGHT dates back to 1996, before life-saving HIV medications were available. "I remember going to FIGHT to meet Jane for lunch when FIGHT was two little rooms in a Graduate Hospital-owned building at 18th and Lombard. I first met Jon Lax through a friend of mine who was dying - I would take my friend to Jon's house to pick up the drug of the month. There was a pipe dream that there would be an unknown drug from Japan or something from the black market that would save someone's life. Jon ran that Buyers Club that did that, finding out about potential drugs, getting them and dispensing them. It was a very different time in the HIV world where just surviving was all you could hope for. FIGHT's focus at the time was bringing clinical trials and medicine to a community-focused environment. To do the testing to see if they worked and make them available to grassroots people was something that appealed to me." We thank you Scott for your service and dedication!





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*“I have been on the Board of Philadelphia FIGHT for over 5 years and during that time I have met some really diverse and fantastic people. To me, FIGHT is more than just a community health center catering to some of Philadelphia most vulnerable. It is truly a community of people with similar backgrounds and experiences. Having staff at FIGHT that can identify with its patients helps to make the entire healthcare experience seamless. A patient centered approach starts at the leadership level and that approach is engrained at all levels right down to the front desk clerk. Being on the Board enables me to influence decisions that positively affect all patients. The overall theme of my message is that, at FIGHT, patients always come first.” - ANDY ST. REMY*



*“I have been a patient at FIGHT for over 20 years under the medical attention of Dr. Karam Mounzer. I attribute the quality of my life to Philadelphia FIGHT. This clinic taught me how to understand and live with my illness. They cared about what I was going through and they also provided therapy when I needed it. I am so fortunate to have found a place that could help me and allow me to be comfortable in my own skin. I have also been a proud member of the Board of Directors for many years – first as a member, then Secretary and also Vice President. The Board is a group of people that truly care about the patients and employees. During my seven years on the Board I have been exposed to the operations of a public service structure and learned how to set goals for the benefit of our patients, and to ensure those goals are achieved.” - LOVADA WASHINGTON*

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## FIGHT WELCOMES

### ► Juli Miller, FIGHT Board Member

FIGHT welcomes Juli Miller as the newest member of the Board of Directors. Juli is the Vice President of Corporate Affairs and Investor Relations at Adaptimmune LLC. She has twenty years of pharmaceutical and biotech industry experience, with a strong focus on communications and investor relations in the rare disease and oncology space, particularly cell therapies for cancer. Juli trained as a PhD scientist in Immunology at the University of Pennsylvania. Here, she completed her Postdoctoral fellowship under Dr. Mike Cancro, where she conducted original research on the impact of aging on the immune function, and worked on a team to develop a mouse model using a patented anti-cancer therapy in collaboration with a major pharmaceutical company. She is also an experienced educator, having participated in two years of Teach for America teaching high school math and science. Juli also holds a BA in Biology and Anthropology from Bryn Mawr College. We welcome Juli to the Board!



### ► Jose Virella, Chief Financial Officer

In 2022, FIGHT welcomed Jose Virella as its new Chief Financial Officer. Jose brings over 25 years of experience of working in complex work environments; analyzing and streamlining systems and processes; and building bridges with a multitude of cultures and experiences. He received his B.A. in Psychology from Columbia University, an M.B.A. in Finance, Organizations and Markets from the University of Rochester, and an M.Ed. in Adult and Organizational Behavior from Temple University.



*"I feel as though I've been treated like a person on day one! I feel loved and accepted there. Even the patients are wonderful towards me. I would recommend anyone to get health care there." - ANONYMOUS PATIENT*

*"The care, the people and their expertise. Everything really is an absolute comfort, especially when you need firm assurance that you will be heard but most of all empowered to make the best possible decision around your care and a plan of action. All the tools and building blocks for success." - ANONYMOUS PATIENT*



## FIGHT STAFF PROMOTIONS



In 2022, **Akia Feggans** was promoted to Chief Integrated Behavioral Health Officer, FIGHT Community Health Centers; **Winner Bell** was promoted to Chief Education Officer; **Assata Thomas** was promoted to Chief Community Justice Officer; and **Catrina Peeples** was promoted to Chief HR Officer. By promoting these strong leaders, we also encourage a more inclusive definition of good health. According to the World Health Organization: “Health is a state of complete physical, mental and social well-being, and not merely the absence of disease or infirmity.” We all believe this at FIGHT, and that is why we have developed our education programs, returning citizen programs, and integrated behavioral health programs to serve our clients as whole people – not focusing exclusively on disease. The superb care we provide to people in our health centers is also enhanced by the work done in programs that are outside our health centers, and to which our patients have easy access. We are all one organization and one community made stronger by all of our programs.

In 2022 **Angela Wells** was promoted to Chief Operating Officer, responsible for directing the operations, administrative and strategic activities of Philadelphia FIGHT as well as overseeing the department of Human Resources to build a highly inclusive culture - ensuring team members thrive and organizational outcomes are met.

**Kari Hexem**, DMD, MPH has been promoted to Chief Clinical Officer. In her new role, Dr. Hexem oversees the day-to-day clinical operations of all of FIGHT’s medical clinics including Jonathan Lax Treatment Center, John Bell Health Center, FIGHT Pediatric and Adolescent Health Center, and Y-HEP Adolescent and Young Adult Health Center. Dr. Hexem has been a member of the Philadelphia FIGHT family since 2012. She and her team established FIGHT Family Dentistry, a dental practice that provides care equal to that which patients would receive at an academic medical health center to those with and without insurance, in a non-intimidating and accessible environment. In 2017, Dr. Hexem was recognized with the National Association of Community Health Centers’ Emerging Leader Award. In 2020, Dr. Hexem received the Shils Fund Innovator Award. In 2022, she was awarded the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine LGBTQIA+ Advocacy Faculty Award, which is given by students. She is a Clinical Assistant Professor at the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine and the co-course director of several courses, including a three-year Practice Management and Professionalism course and community health/public health dentistry courses. She is a member of the American Dental Association and the Academy of General Dentistry. She attended the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine, where she graduated with Honors in Community Oral Health. She holds a Master’s Degree in Public Health with a concentration in Epidemiology/Biostatistics from Oregon Health Sciences University, and a BA in Cultural Anthropology from Reed College.



## FIGHT HONORS :: THE WISTAR INSTITUTE

FIGHT honors its long-time partnership with the Wistar Institute, led by Luis Montaner, D.V.M., D. Phil. Dr. Montaner has been a part of the Wistar Institute since 1995, and joined FIGHT's Board of Directors two years later. As Wistar's Vice President of Scientific Operations, Dr. Montaner studies the mechanisms of disease in HIV-1 infection, cancer, COVID-19, and emerging viral infections such as monkeypox and the nipah virus, exploring new strategies to boost the immune system's ability to combat viral-associated disease or cancer progression.

Historically, FIGHT's research has centered around HIV and people living with HIV, covering three major areas – prevention, treatment and cure. Over the last few years, prevention has emerged to be a huge component of FIGHT and Wistar's research operations. This includes several PrEP studies, prevention efforts, and conducting treatment trials to identify the most optimal treatment strategies for FIGHT's patients. Finding a cure for HIV has been an important component of research; with FIGHT's 25+ years relationship with Wistar, the research team has identified areas to enhance that get rid of latent reservoirs and give the possibility of a cure.

In speaking with Dr. Montaner and what compelled Wistar to partner with FIGHT, it “was Philadelphia FIGHT's commitment to serve the community and the presence in the lives of people living with HIV and their current needs. The research program we wanted to develop was one that was responsive to the present needs of living with HIV. FIGHT was our gateway to gain an understanding of what those needs were.” Dr. Montaner highlights FIGHT's strengths as a partner in this crucial work: “FIGHT provides the diversity of services addressing multiple communities and their health needs. FIGHT has the intent to service those that don't have resources that otherwise may not have access to medical care. With COVID as an example, FIGHT has the responsiveness structure to immediately address needs as they emerge.”



 THE WISTAR INSTITUTE





SEAMAAC, a Philadelphia-based organization dedicated to supporting immigrant and refugee communities, honored Philadelphia FIGHT Community Health Centers as a Community Champion at their **Message to the Future** event on May 19, 2022. The award recognized Philadelphia FIGHT's outstanding work in providing COVID-19 testing and vaccinations to the South Philadelphia community during the pandemic.

SEAMAAC CEO Thoai Nguyen praised Philadelphia FIGHT's commitment, stating "We are humbled by your dedication to building a better future for our community members. Your partnership allowed us to strengthen our impact in the community, especially during the last two years of the pandemic."

The partnership between SEAMAAC and Philadelphia FIGHT has been instrumental in reaching immigrant and refugee communities in South Philadelphia, where language and cultural barriers made it challenging to access healthcare services. By working together, SEAMAAC and Philadelphia FIGHT provided vital information and services to these communities, helping to ensure that everyone has access to the resources they need to stay healthy and safe.

The Message to the Future event was a celebration of the resilience and strength of the South Philadelphia community in the face of the pandemic. The event brought together community leaders, healthcare providers, and residents to reflect on the challenges of the past two years and to look forward to a brighter future. SEAMAAC's recognition of Philadelphia FIGHT as a Community Champion highlighted the importance of collaboration and partnership in building stronger, healthier communities.

In accepting the award, FIGHT CEO Jane Shull stated, "We are honored to be recognized by SEAMAAC for our work in the community. We know that we cannot do this work alone, and partnerships like the one we have with SEAMAAC are essential in making sure that everyone has access to the healthcare services they need. We look forward to continuing to work together to build a healthier, more equitable future for all."

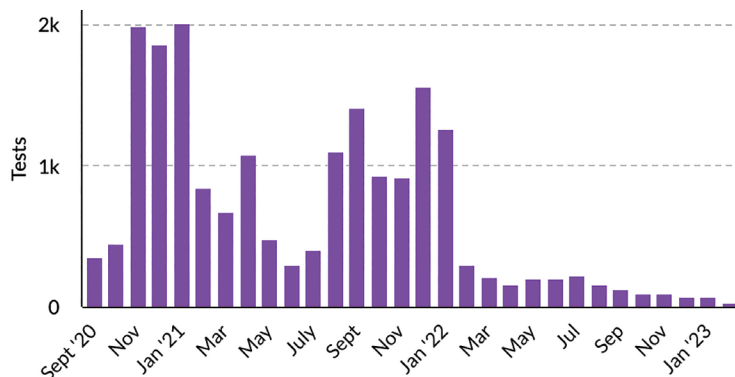


## COVID RETROSPECTIVE

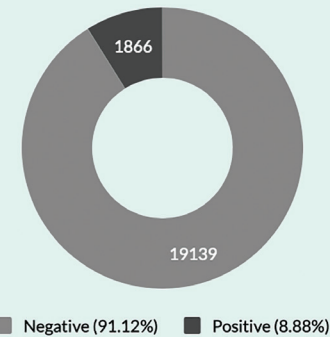
As we reflect on the trajectory of FIGHT's work since the start of the COVID pandemic until now, there is a sense of enormous pride at how deeply the FIGHT staff stepped up to continue and expand our services amid the most challenging global circumstances most of us have ever experienced. We reflect back on our goal to not abandon our patients in the crisis, and FIGHT leadership has enormous gratitude for all of the frontline staff who have kept FIGHT going, using both their professional skills and deep wells of compassion and commitment. FIGHT's departments changed their triage systems so that we could do our part to keep hospital crowding and congestion down, alongside the incredible work of the COVID testing team who, starting in 2020, reached countless Philadelphians in the most unpredictable times.



**TESTS PERFORMED ALL TIME: 21,005**



**Test Results for 2022**



**1,866**  
Positive Cases Found



**3,525**  
Patients served in language other than English



**1/3**  
Of patients tested identify as Hispanic

Our fearless COVID testing team hosted testing events in neighborhoods across the city, including Camp JTD, otherwise known as the Parkway Encampment. The priority was to focus on areas of the city that lacked testing options, and FIGHT built a network that alongside Center City included sites in North Philadelphia, Germantown, Kensington, and South Philadelphia. FIGHT fielded many phone requests for test results from this program, and spent much time guiding people to FIGHT testing sites, finding options for people who needed tests outside of FIGHT's availability, and getting test results back to individuals as soon as possible. November 2021 saw the Omicron surge, which illustrated the importance of continued COVID testing and support for those seeking COVID-related guidance. We did just as we have always done at FIGHT: we rose to the challenge of our times.

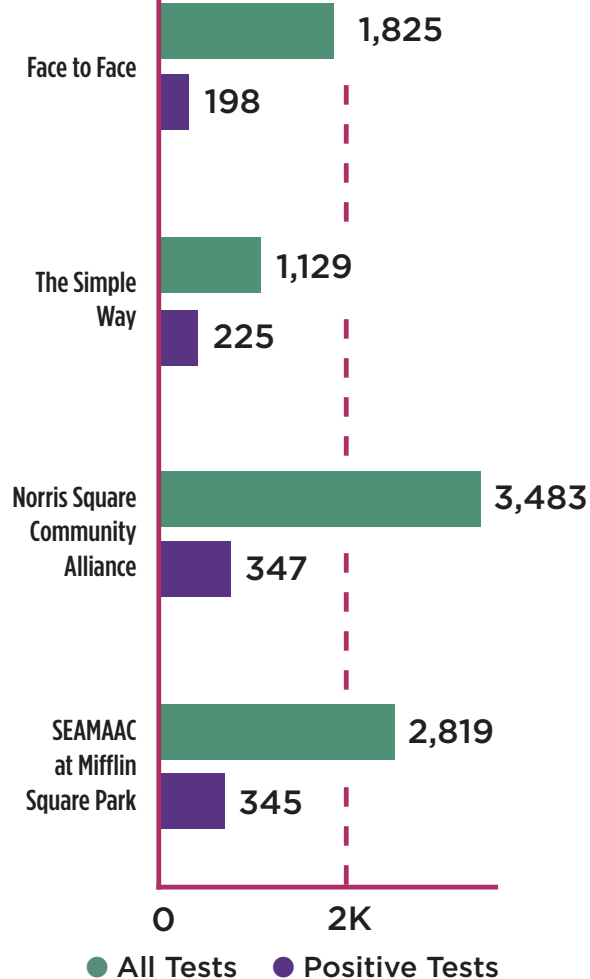


## COVID RETROSPECTIVE



We all experienced relief at the increased availability of at-home, rapid tests that became available in 2022. This allowed people who were sick to avoid leaving their house and risking further COVID spread just to get a reliable result. FIGHT still provided guidance to those who tested positive at home, no matter where their test had come from. In the events when we gave a positive result to someone who lacked a doctor and insurance but was still in need of medical attention, we worked to refer them to appropriate acute care and connected them to our primary care services for further follow up. Even after home testing was widespread, we had a steady stream of people whose circumstances required them to obtain a negative PCR test, for work, travel or family visitation. We developed relationships at our testing sites with people who might never have come to see us in the gayborhood, but who now learned they could reach out to us for services above and beyond COVID testing. Those relationships will last even as the COVID pandemic shifts, and will continue to be developed in the uncertain terrain ahead.

### TESTS BY SITE SINCE JANUARY 2021

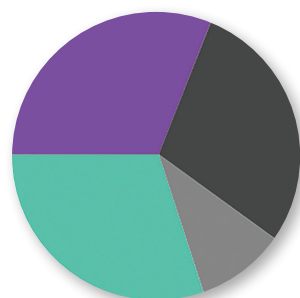


## COVID RETROSPECTIVE



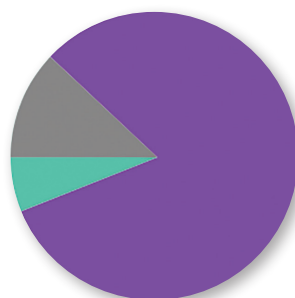
We had braced ourselves for another surge this winter and were elated not to see a repeat of the Omicron pattern. The COVID testing program was funded through February 2023, although none of us knew what conditions we would face at that time. It is bittersweet to find ourselves in the position to sunset a program. The programs we build at FIGHT usually represent a community need with no end in sight. The last month of our program did see decreased traffic, but we were still finding COVID-positive people, including several school-aged children. COVID is not anywhere near over, but thankfully the demand for this particular service has decreased.

### PATIENTS SERVED BY RACE



White (31%) African American (29%)  
Asian (10%) Other (30%)

### PATIENTS TESTED BY AGE

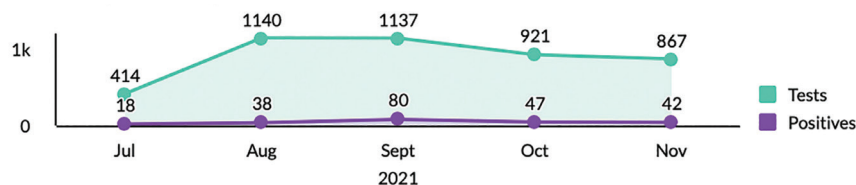


0-17 (12%) 18-64 (82%)  
65+ (6%)

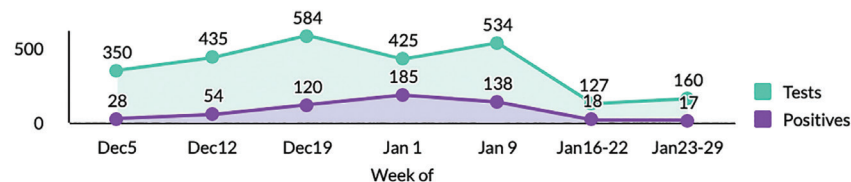


FIGHT will continue its COVID information phone line/email system to answer general inquiries, will continue to help people retrieve past results from tests administered by FIGHT, will still make referrals to other testing sites, and field requests for FIGHT staff who need COVID tests as well.

### TESTING DURING DELTA OUTBREAK



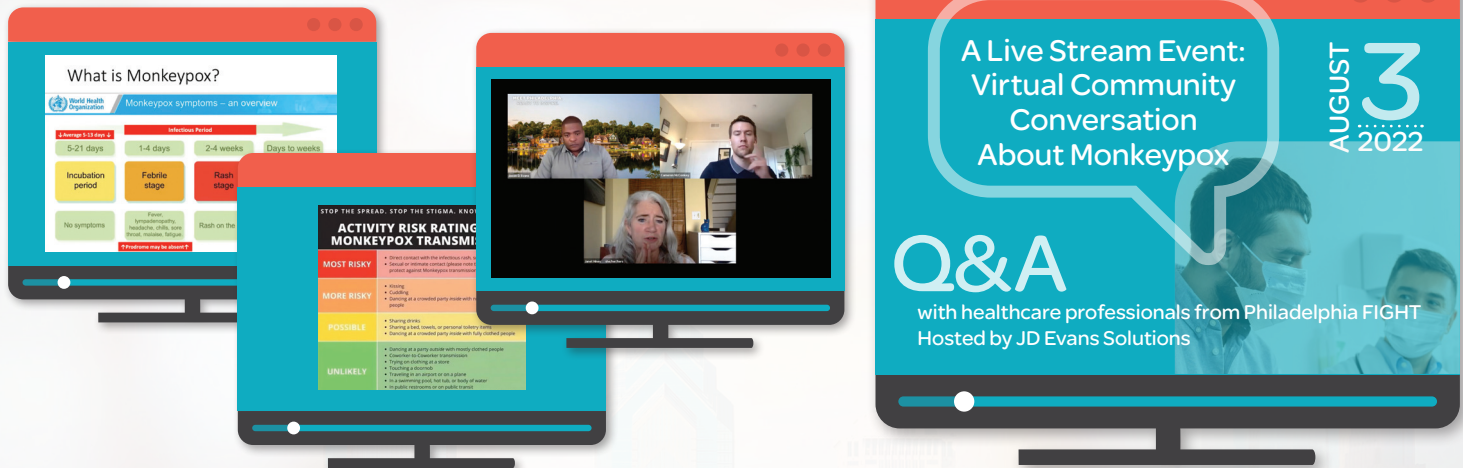
### TESTING DURING OMICRON OUTBREAK



The mpox outbreak discussed in this Annual Report was never inevitable; the COVID pandemic was never inevitable; the AIDS pandemic was never inevitable; and none of these diseases need to be allowed to continue. They all can be stopped in their tracks, with the application of community power and political accountability. But just as AIDS activist Bob Rasky said about HIV in 1992, "this fight is not over until all of us are safe." Let us continue to think big and love large to protect our communities from these and all future diseases.

## ADDRESSING mpox

In May 2022, the CDC identified the first cases of mpox (formerly monkeypox) in the United States, with cases ballooning over the summer. It became quickly apparent that people with recent anonymous sexual contacts, particularly men who have sex with men and transfolks, were at highest risk. Echoes of the early days of HIV were heard loudly and FIGHT Health Centers immediately began screening and testing for mpox, identifying several of the first cases in Philadelphia. FIGHT fielded over 200 calls with mpox questions, was one of the first sites in Philadelphia to provide mpox treatment and to receive and administer the Mpox vaccine. FIGHT administered 800 doses – the third largest number in Philadelphia after the Department and Public Health and The Mazzoni Center.



Additionally, hundreds of community members attended a virtual Community Conversation hosted by Philadelphia FIGHT and JD Evans Solutions to educate the public on mpox. This educational forum centered on mpox origins, mode of spread and prevention, and treatment.

When initial reporting stated that high risk Black Philadelphians were proportionally under-vaccinated, FIGHT immediately began direct outreach to our Black patients in high-risk groups. FIGHT partnered with the Mazzoni Center, Bebashi and Galaei in receiving grant funding from the City of Philadelphia for mpox vaccine outreach to this group beginning in 2022. FIGHT is a proud member of the mpox Community Planning Group hosted by the Philadelphia Department of Public Health, and is part of a joint effort to increase vaccination across the city through social media and dating app approaches. Fortunately, immediate response from FIGHT, the Philadelphia gay community, the City of Philadelphia's Department of Public Health, and other key partners allowed the city to quickly control this epidemic.





# SPOTLIGHT ON PROJECT TEACH

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Project TEACH (Treatment Education Activists Combating HIV) is an innovative health education program which trains people living with HIV/AIDS to act as peer educators, activists, and advocates in the underserved communities hardest hit by the AIDS pandemic. TEACH is a testament that HIV/AIDS is not a death sentence, and has demonstrated that peer-led education is powerful. TEACH's motto, teach one, teach ten, continues to be our North Star as we traverse the new and uncharted terrain of the closing gaps in the digital divide. COVID-19 pushed TEACH to contemporize for a world where healthcare is predominantly and increasingly reliant on technology; we refuse to sit idle while people living with HIV get left behind.



In 2022 TEACH experimented with both remote and hybrid classes. Bringing back in-person classes was a huge milestone that affirmed the most vulnerable and those in most need of TEACH programs, who are also the most affected by the digital divide. As time progresses, digital literacy will be essential for communities living with HIV to fully engage with and benefit from patient portals, telemedicine, and pharmacy services such as delivery, automatic payment, and refills. Digital literacy and access were huge barriers for many potential TEACH participants in 2022. Participants consistently voiced that if we had not offered them access to the internet and a device through the Critical Path Learning Center's Digital Lending Library, they would not have been able to participate in TEACH. We are very invested in returning to the classroom format for all TEACH classes in 2023, as well as integrating digital literacy and remote access options in every class.



## SPOTLIGHT ON PROJECT TEACH

Youth TEACH will no longer be hosted in a classroom setting and is being redesigned as a learning retreat for young adults between the age 18-30. The program is looking to rebrand the name for Youth TEACH so it is more reflective and inclusive of this generation's young adults.



The TEACH Peer Education program will be enhancing digital trainings for Peer Educators that work with the Jonathan Lax Center and the John Bell Health Center on assisting patients in navigating the patient portal. This is to increase patient portal engagement between providers and patients at these health centers.

Finally, Project TEACH is growing! In 2022, the Project TEACH Expansion initiative launched in Scranton, Pennsylvania after a brief pause due to COVID-19. Over the next few years, we will bring TEACH to all seven regions of Pennsylvania, parts of the Northeastern United States, and beyond. Currently with programs also in Wilkes-Barre, our expansion will support the creation of a statewide network of TEACH alumni engaged in some form of peer education related to HIV treatment and/or prevention.

With the TEACH expansion network of peers and the tools of TEACH, we believe that bringing TEACH to new communities living with HIV will make a global impact on stigma, prevention, and treatment, and help promote the end AIDS in the lifetime of people living with HIV.

### the numbers



**80**  
Students graduated in TEACH's last quarter



**20**  
TEACH Alumni gatherings were hosted



**8**  
Community outings were hosted for TEACH alumni



**400**  
Condoms were distributed to TEACH students and alumni



**100**  
Self-care amenities kits were distributed to TEACH students and alumni



**311**  
Active TEACH alumni members that subscribe to the TEACH Alumni newsletter



# HIGHLIGHTS & ACHIEVEMENTS 2022



## ADULT MEDICINE :: HIGHLIGHTS:

FIGHT received five Community Health Quality Recognition badges for notable quality improvement achievements in the areas of access, quality, health equity, health information technology, and COVID-19 public health emergency response. The badges include the Access Enhancer, Advancing Health Information Technology for Quality, Health Center Quality Leader-Bronze, Health Disparities Reducer, and COVID-19 Public Health Champion.



FIGHT was recognized by the American Heart Association and American Medical Association for its commitment to improving blood pressure (BP) control rates, earning Silver-level recognition as part of the Target: BP™ initiative.



In collaboration with Drexel University and the American Lung Association, FIGHT launched a lung cancer screening initiative for adult patients. There has been significant improvement in depression screening, adult BMI screening and counseling, and tobacco assessment and counseling through Medical Assistant-led new workflows.

Ongoing projects include the Million Hearts through CDC Million Hearts® initiative, a national initiative to prevent 1 million heart attacks and strokes within five years. FIGHT is also working on a new project called Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) through the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration. This project aims to identify individuals who may be at risk for substance use disorders.

Kate Hennessy, Nurse Coordinator; Jake Cook, Lead Medical Assistant; and Michael Leonard, Certified Peer Counselor joined the John Bell Health Center (JBHC). Dr. John Heintz began seeing patients in September 2022, while Lizzy Schmidt started two sessions at JBHC to support walk-in patients and the Women's Health program. FIGHT saw growth in MAT and HCV programs, and an increased number of trans patients seen for hormone replacement therapy. It was a successful year for Adult Medicine, marked by growth, expansion, and a continued commitment to serving the needs of the community.

## the numbers

### JONATHAN LAX TREATMENT CENTER



**5,213**  
VISITS  
IN OFFICE



**1,197**  
VIRTUAL  
VISITS



**102**  
NEW  
PATIENTS

### JOHN BELL HEALTH CENTER



**6,107**  
VISITS  
IN OFFICE



**1,024**  
VIRTUAL  
VISITS



**728**  
NEW  
PATIENTS

### FIGHT @ BROAD STREET MINISTRIES



**308**  
VISITS  
IN OFFICE



**48**  
NEW  
PATIENTS



## HIGHLIGHTS & ACHIEVEMENTS



### DENTAL :: HIGHLIGHTS:

In 2022 Philadelphia FIGHT Family Dentistry (Dental) entered its seventh year of operation, continuing to rise to the challenge of meeting the dental needs of patients and communities. An additional full-time dentist, Dr. Jooyeon Julia Park DMD MS, joined the Dental team.



#### FIGHT DENTAL WAS RECOGNIZED FOR ITS EXCELLENCE FROM MULTIPLE ORGANIZATIONS IN 2022:

- Recipient of the Domestic Access to Care grant from the American Academy of Endodontics (AAE) to support Dental's volunteer endodontist, Dr. Tina Chou DMD, and FIGHT's efforts to save teeth for the most underserved Philadelphians. This year, Dental completed over 100 endodontic procedures in part thanks to Dr. Chou and AAE support.
- FIGHT Dental was awarded a \$20,000 challenge grant from the Jerome B. Miller Foundation to support its medical/dental integration work with Pediatrics and the Young Adult Medicine Center, where the most vulnerable children are served.
- Dr. Tatyana Straus DMD, Dental Director, received the Fellowship Award from the Academy of General Dentistry.
- Dr. Kari Hexem DMD, Chief Dental Officer and Chief Clinical Officer, received the LGBTQIA+ Advocacy Award from Penn Dental Medicine in recognition of her efforts to support diversity and inclusion.



Dr. Wilson Chan completed the ACTION Fellowship with Penn Medicine, and Dr. Daniel Mariche DMD was accepted and matriculated into the ACTION Fellowship with the 2022-2023 cohort.

FIGHT Dental strengthened its safety measures against COVID-19 and other airborne illnesses by upgrading air purification protocols, installing personal HEPA filters in every dental operator as well as UV light filters throughout the clinical and reception areas, and resumed dental treatment in all 9 clinical operatories.

With Dr. Mariche-Poirot's leadership, FIGHT Dental also began offering Saturday appointments in coordination with FIGHT Pediatrics.

FIGHT Dental continues to partner with Jefferson, Penn, and Temple Universities, serving as part of the formal education programs for nearly 300 students.

Finally, FIGHT served more medically and socially vulnerable people than ever before: in 2022, 6,820 visits for 2,525 patients took place.



# HIGHLIGHTS & ACHIEVEMENTS 2022



## PEDIATRIC & ADOLESCENT MEDICINE :: HIGHLIGHTS:

In 2022, Pediatrics and YHEP were fully integrated to become the Pediatric and Adolescent Health Center. This process began during COVID when there was a need to cross-train staff in case of shortages, which enabled continuous services offered to our young patients during and post-pandemic.



A Philadelphia FIGHT  
Community Health Center



Rebecca Keuch, MSN, CRNP  
and Lisa Knoflicek, MD, IBCLC  
were both promoted to become  
Assistant Medical Directors  
for the Pediatric and  
Adolescent Health Center.



Mario Cruz, MD and  
Lisa Knoflicek, MD, IBCLC  
were both recognized  
in 2022 as Top Docs  
for Philadelphia Magazine.

PHILADELPHIA  
MAGAZINE'S  
**TOP  
DOCTORS**  
2022



FIGHT's work around pediatric medical/dental integration is thriving – 50% of our young patients 6 years old and younger are currently accessing both medical and dental services. In these instances, pre-visit huddles take place where the entire care team reviews the list of patients, identifies care gaps and connects patients to services; so it's possible to have a dental appointment and to receive a flu shot on the same day. This holistic approach successfully captures our most vulnerable patients.



# HIGHLIGHTS & ACHIEVEMENTS



Integral Molecular donated money and 60 hours of staff time to sprucing up the Health Center space with their staff of 15 PhD scientists – this year, they installed wall-mounted Montessori toys, increasing patient engagement in the waiting room and making wait times more activity-centered.

The Pediatric and Adolescent Health Center has doubled the number of young people seen for gender affirming care. The Health Center was also a recipient of a grant award from the Trans Youth Resiliency Fund; this allowed the Health Center to administer \$40,000 in cash to trans youth to use it towards what bring joy to their life. Among additional items, youth recipients of this grant used funds towards housing and medication.



## the numbers

Philly Bookshelf has also continued its commitment to the Health Center through supporting the Reach Out and Read program, where every patient receives a book.

### PHILADELPHIA FIGHT PEDIATRICS



3,925  
VISITS  
IN OFFICE



594  
VIRTUAL  
VISITS



884  
NEW  
PATIENTS

### Y-HEP HEALTH CENTER



2,914  
VISITS  
IN OFFICE



1,005  
VIRTUAL  
VISITS



328  
NEW  
PATIENTS

### NORRIS SQUARE SATELLITE CLINIC



26  
VISITS  
IN OFFICE



22  
NEW  
PATIENTS

# HIGHLIGHTS & ACHIEVEMENTS 2022



## PREP :: HIGHLIGHTS:

In 2022, the PrEP team followed 469 patients (165 in Y-HEP and 304 in the John Bell Health Center).

FIGHT hosted PrEP week with more in-person events: two mixers which included on-site rapid HIV testing and same-day walk-in services; and the PrEP start “PrEP Rally” at both Y-HEP and the John Bell Health Center. Additionally, the team administered 4 educational webinars.

FIGHT continues to offer TelePrEP with virtual visits and at-home testing kits to patients, with 166 virtual visits for PrEP in 2022.

FIGHT hired two new PrEP Retention Coordinators at Y-HEP/Pediatrics (Erin Taylor) and the John Bell Health Center (Luis Noguera). They have helped to grow and expand the program through education and counseling patients about HIV prevention, retention of patients actively on PrEP, and re-engagement of patients that were lost to care.

In 2022, active Y-HEP PrEP patients grew from 92 patients to 165 patients. In the John Bell Health Center, active PrEP patients grew from 232 patients to 304 patients.



## ACHIEVEMENTS:

One of PrEP’s biggest achievements in 2022 has been the implementation of a long-acting injectable PrEP program. Being able to offer a long-acting option for HIV prevention has been monumental in changing the landscape for PrEP and reducing barriers. The PrEP team worked in collaboration with FIGHT’s pharmacy and nursing teams to implement a workflow to get patients on injectable PrEP. From April 2022 (when FIGHT was first able to start prescribing the medication) through the end of 2022, the program started 103 PrEP patients on long-acting PrEP. This program continues to expand as more patients are interested in this convenient option.

Y-HEP continues to work in collaboration with Penn Medicine and the City of Philadelphia Department of Health on the PEP Center of Excellence Grant. This is a jurisdiction-wide, 24/7 PEP Hotline which provides initial triage and assessment of clients that have had a potential HIV exposure and provides same-day access to emergency prescription services for post-exposure prophylaxis and emergency contraception without in-person contact (i.e. they can avoid the emergency room). Young people that utilize this hotline and are under 18 years old are referred to see a provider at Y-HEP.



## HIGHLIGHTS & ACHIEVEMENTS



### the numbers



**1,166**  
New individuals with history of HCV exposure (antibody positive) identified via clinical testing at FIGHT, the Philadelphia Department of Prisons and C a Difference community outreach and testing



**547**  
New individuals with active HCV infection (RNA positive) identified via clinical testing at FIGHT, the Philadelphia Department of Prisons and C a Difference community outreach and testing



**88**  
New HCV patients



**884**  
Returning HCV patients



**120**  
Individuals began HCV cure medication at John Bell Health Center

### C A DIFFERENCE :: HIGHLIGHTS:

Patients at partnering agencies and in FIGHT's community-at-large are now eligible for direct referrals to HCV, HIV, PrEP, STI, primary health, dental, and gynecological services at Philadelphia FIGHT without a rapid HIV or HCV test or educational session, in order to expedite time to care and increase the likelihood of patients accessing whole-person care at FIGHT.

As hepatitis C is becoming increasingly eliminated in our community, we are aware that there will not be monumental growth in the numbers of new patients with chronic/active HCV infection seen at Philadelphia FIGHT. However, it's important to keep patients who have cleared or cured hepatitis C in the past engaged in primary and subspecialty health care, and to continue guiding those who are at risk of new HCV infection to comprehensive and holistic primary care, with an emphasis on harm reduction services. Many of those living with chronic HCV are more concerned with knowing their HCV status and learning about transmission prevention, rather than opting to engage in HCV curative care. We're developing innovative ways to change this trend and expand services at FIGHT to continue engaging our patients.

### ACHIEVEMENTS:

C A Difference has been able to continue telemedicine services, mobile phlebotomy, and prescription delivery at our major partnering agency sites.

FIGHT has maintained and initiated close communication with several community service organizations through the pandemic and began a return to in-person outreach, education, and navigation services, as well as streetside outreach services.

The C a Difference team has sustained delivery of Hepatitis C and other chronic care medications to patient residences for those who couldn't make it to one of FIGHT's health centers or the pharmacy during and after the pandemic.

Outreach, education, and navigation services have grown beyond hepatitis C and HIV services, and FIGHT is focused on a whole-person comprehensive healthcare approach to every person in need of quality care in and around the Philadelphia area.



# HIGHLIGHTS & ACHIEVEMENTS 2022



**DIANA BALDWIN**  
MENTAL HEALTH CLINIC



## the numbers

### NEW BEGINNINGS OUTPATIENT PROGRAM



**1,848**  
Visits



**63**  
Patients served



**12** Community events that offered: mental health screenings, drug and alcohol resources, and mental health resources

### DIANA BALDWIN MENTAL HEALTH CLINIC



**5,253**  
Visits



**361**  
Patients served

### BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CONSULTANTS



**649**  
Visits



**379**  
Patients served

## BEHAVIORAL HEALTH :: HIGHLIGHTS:

NEW BEGINNINGS is a licensed outpatient program for individuals struggling with Drug and Alcohol Use Disorder to establish and maintain recovery. Dedicated counselors and staff are committed to offering individualized and person-centered treatment. New Beginnings invested in a new campaign strategy that paid for advertisements on the SEPTA Market-Frankford and Broad Street subway lines to help spread awareness about services. New Beginnings started running Peer-led groups to help strengthen FIGHT's drug and alcohol community and allow patients to teach the knowledge they have gained through their recovery process. New Beginnings has also increased walk-in intake hours to allow for greater access to treatment.

DIANA BALDWIN MENTAL HEALTH CLINIC (DBC) provides culturally competent behavioral health services that address the psychological, social, and emotional needs of every patient. Licensed Clinical Social Workers specialize in providing trauma informed care to address various mental health disorders such as depression, Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), bipolar disorder and many others. DBC has seen tremendous growth in people seeking mental health treatment. Therapists are committed to holistic evidence-based practices to ensure clients are getting the latest in treatment techniques while validating the whole person. DBC has returned to full in-person services while offering telehealth as a secondary option for clients in need of accommodations.

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CONSULTANTS (BHC'S) are located in FIGHT's health centers, providing an array of short-term behavioral interventions to help patients improve their physical and emotional health. BHC's are licensed clinical social workers dedicated to working with the patients and medical providers to achieve healthy outcomes. BHC's provides crisis interventions, short-term counseling sessions, resource referrals, and preventative care such as smoking cessation.

## HIGHLIGHTS & ACHIEVEMENTS



### RESEARCH :: HIGHLIGHTS:

In 2022, FIGHT Research continued its work in the prevention, treatment, optimization, and understanding of HIV. This included FIGHT's participation in a nationwide observational study aimed at examining visceral fat distribution among people living with HIV who were taking protease inhibitor-based regimens, vs. non-nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitor-based regimens.

In addition, FIGHT Research began participating in an international, industry-funded phase II/III trial evaluating the safety and efficacy of two specific antiretroviral agents in combination for the first time among people living with HIV on stable, complex regimens.

FIGHT Research also continued its decades-long collaboration with the Wistar Institute by participating in a new, grant-funded observational trial collecting blood and urine samples from individuals who were fully vaccinated against COVID-19.

### ACHIEVEMENTS:

In 2022, FIGHT Research enrolled more study participants and conducted more study visits than any previous year.



Karam Mounzer, MD and Emily Hiserodt, MPH co-authored 4 publications, and Dr. Mounzer co-authored an additional 7, all of which were directly related to FIGHT Research's collaborations.

Dr. Karam Mounzer, MD was named as a 2022 Top Doc in Philadelphia Magazine.

#### the numbers



14  
UNIQUE  
TRIALS



213  
STUDY  
PARTICIPANTS



3  
NEW TRIALS  
STARTED



447  
STUDY VISITS  
CONDUCTED



21  
MONITOR VISITS WITH  
0 MAJOR FINDINGS

# HIGHLIGHTS & ACHIEVEMENTS 2022



FIGHT's Education and Training Department has emerged from the COVID-19 pandemic lockdowns contemporized and fully invested in eliminating the digital divide in Philadelphia's most vulnerable communities. Through teamwork, sacrifice and a tenacity to support our students, the Education Department weathered the worst of COVID-19, while continuing to provide in-person programs, building curriculum on a learning management system for the first time, leading the wave of virtual events and conferences through 2020's Virtual AEM programming, assisting FIGHT's Health Centers with patient portal support and navigation, and creating FIGHT's first Digital Lending Library and Digital Navigation training for participants without reliable access to the internet. We arrived at this place not by chance, but by choice: namely, by capitalizing on challenges and crafting solutions that built opportunity while simultaneously meeting existing needs and updating programming for the 2020s, all during a global crisis. We will apply lessons learned from the past two years and move forward with our community towards the end of the digital divide and health inequity.

## CPLC :: HIGHLIGHTS:

The Critical Path Learning Center expanded hygiene kit service to all of FIGHT Programs and provided 683 kits, with a total of 13,144 hygiene items given out. The average kit had 19 items in the kit.

## ACHIEVEMENTS:

After a 1.5 year pause due to COVID, laundry services returned to the Critical Path Learning Center with increased capacity and expanded referral sources for clothing needs.

### the numbers



#### 2022 YEAR IN REVIEW

**237**

Unique individuals served with over 922 services provided

Each unique individual was served through an average of 3.89 visits



#### 2022 ADULT EDUCATION

**120**

Adult education assessment sessions were offered

**107**

Unique learners were served in an adult education service



#### 2022 HOSPITALITY SERVICES

**111**

Unique individuals utilized laundry, clothing and hygiene services



## HIGHLIGHTS & ACHIEVEMENTS



A Program of Philadelphia FIGHT

The Community Health Training Alliance (CHTA) has been able to maintain online educational virtual offerings in the form of webinar series, social media engagement and CHTA Chats throughout the year in addition to a month-long virtual summit in June for AIDS Education Month. These webinars provide relevant public health information, adding value to the lives of our clients and the community.


Our successful CHTA CHAT series included a chat with the “London Patient” Adam Castillejo, the second person to be cured of the HIV virus. He shared his journey on enduring a decade of grueling treatments and moments of despair as he wrestled with whether and when to go public. Ultimately, he said, he realized that his story carried a powerful message of optimism. Other chats included Kia Harris-Carr from Beautiful Faces Foundation about the importance of health advocacy and building a community of supporters and Cameron McConkey, the Director of LGBTQ+ Health Initiatives at Philadelphia FIGHT about gender affirming and inclusive healthcare.

In honor of Black History Month in February, 2022 we paid tribute to the work and legacy of bell hooks – Poet, Author, Educator, Social Activist & Feminist with a series of 4 webinars and presented 3 webinars on understanding grief and navigating emotions through self-care in December 2022.




### the numbers

CHTA HOSTED A TOTAL OF 40 EDUCATIONAL VIRTUAL OFFERINGS

  
**CHTA CHATS**  
**3**  
Hosted

  
**BLACK HISTORY MONTH WEBINAR SERIES**  
**4**  
Webinars hosted

  
**HIV PREVENTION & EDUCATION SUMMIT**  
**29**  
Webinars hosted

  
**GRIEF & LOSS MONTH WEBINAR SERIES**  
**4**  
Webinars hosted

# HIGHLIGHTS & ACHIEVEMENTS 2022



A Program of Philadelphia FIGHT

2022 brought much activity and community engagement! In 2022, the Institute for Community Justice (ICJ) officially launched its quarterly newsletter to keep the ICJ community abreast of important information and updates. ICJ received funding support from Cresco Labs, the Jewish Healthcare Foundation, and was the recipient of the Neighborhood Promise Grant. This grant allowed ICJ to host two Resource Fair events in the summer and fall. In total, 234 people attended the fairs, with 57 participating in procedures to clear their records. ICJ also participated in the Deliverance Church Community Day Resource Fair, where a neighboring street was named in honor of its pastor. ICJ participated in its first bail-out fundraiser, The Bail Out Fund. This took place for the month of June (reentry month) to raise funds for the Philadelphia Community Bail Fund, and also included a highly-attended resource fair.



ICJ partnered with Assurance Wireless to distribute lifeline phones to participants, with quarterly donations made to ICJ based on participant phone requests.

ICJ continues its close partnership with State Correctional facilities to provide individuals with important resources available to them upon returning home. In May 2022, ICJ launched RWIN – a 14-week in-reach program with SCI-Chester, where ICJ staff facilitates classes with 18 men preparing for reentry. With an organic and holistic curriculum approach, RWIN also focuses on job readiness. Additionally, ICJ participated in Resource Fairs at two State Correctional Institutes.

In spring 2022, ICJ hosted a forum – *The Misnomer of Black Girl Magic*. This featured a panel of 5 African American Women who are part of the reentry community, discussing what Black Girl Magic means to them – including the stereotypes and injustices faced by Black women. This diverse, vibrant group of women brought an array of ideas and personal experiences around what defines Black Girl Magic.

ICJ also hosted a 3-part, all-day Restorative Justice training for its staff. Staff were trained on performing restorative circles to tackle issues faced in the ICJ community. With a focus on communication skills and conflict resolution, staff were equipped to continue their work with communities to provide an inclusive, solution-focused approach in problem solving.

To end the year, ICJ partnered with Mercy Worldwide to host a Holiday Toy Drive party. 59 families participated, which included 154 children between the ages of 2 and 8 years old.





Two community programs will be implemented in late 2023 – Music/Performance and Painting to Heal, which were postponed during the pandemic and back due to high demand by program participants.

The office of Faith Initiatives participated in the AIDS Walk Philly 2022 and raised \$2,000.

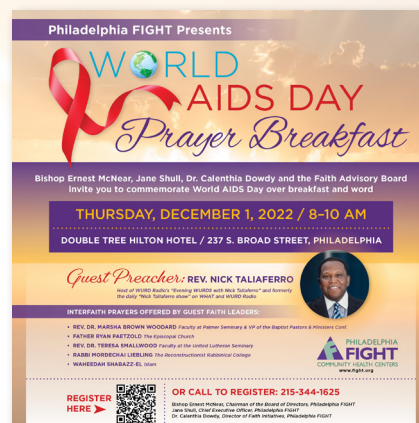
Guest Preacher Rev. Nick Taliaferro, Bishop Ernest McNear, FIGHT President/CEO Jane Shull and the Faith Advisory Board kicked off the World AIDS Day Prayer Breakfast, which returned for the first time ever since the pandemic. Attracting a full house of over 200 guests on December 1st, this event commemorated World AIDS Day over breakfast and word.

## HIGHLIGHTS & ACHIEVEMENTS

### FAITH INITIATIVES:

Two cohorts of Faithful TEACH were completed in 2022, with 23 new graduates to celebrate!

Faith Initiatives' education and outreach programs continued online with a gradual return to in-person outreach events. These events included the Kingdom Builders Network MLK Day Program, clergy leadership meetings, Interfaith Dialogue, and a week-long program at the Jarena Lee Preaching Academy.







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## COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS

Philadelphia FIGHT offers a full array of medical programs and services in one stop. Our primary care medical services range from infant through adult. All FIGHT services are offered regardless of gender, race, color, sex, religious beliefs, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, insurance status or your ability to pay.

### ▪ JONATHAN LAX TREATMENT CENTER

Our team offers compassionate, patient-centered medical care and social services for people living with HIV. Our dedicated providers work to address the unique needs of each individual. Inclusivity and respect for the dignity of our patients is at the center of all that we do.

### ▪ JOHN BELL HEALTH CENTER

The John Bell Health Center is a comprehensive healthcare clinic that provides state-of-the-art primary medical care to adults age 18 and older. Our team of compassionate providers provides a safe space for people to access culturally competent medical care, regardless of the individual's insurance status, ability to pay, or life circumstances. We focus on addressing each patient's unique needs and challenges.

### ▪ FIGHT @ BROAD STREET MINISTRY

In partnership with Broad Street Ministry and their hospitality collaborative, FIGHT Community Health Centers Clinic at Broad Street Ministry is a satellite site of John Bell Health Center, offering primary care to the guests of Broad Street Ministry. The clinic offers primary medical care provided by Philadelphia FIGHT, and an onsite Care Coordinator provided by Health Partners. This groundbreaking partnership provided access to quality healthcare for individuals who are struggling with homelessness and chronic health conditions.

### ▪ Y-HEP HEALTH CENTER

The Y-HEP Health Center offers an inclusive, trauma-informed, gender affirming approach to healthcare for adolescents and young adults ages 13-24.

### ▪ PHILADELPHIA FIGHT PEDIATRICS

Philadelphia FIGHT Pediatrics is dedicated to providing high quality, comprehensive, primary care to address the physical and emotional health needs of Philadelphia's children, from birth through age 18. We are specially tailored to care for children and adolescents who have experienced social adversity.

### ▪ FIGHT FAMILY DENTISTRY

Our team specializes in a trauma-informed approach to dental care and the treatment of patients with dental anxiety, or a history of infrequent dental visits. We provide dental cleanings, periodontal treatments, fillings, complete and partial dentures, and extractions.

## HEALTH SERVICES



### • RESEARCH

Philadelphia FIGHT conducts advanced clinical research trials that test state-of-the-art HIV medications and novel treatment paradigms, as well as PrEP implementation and HIV cure-directed strategies.

### • C A DIFFERENCE

C a Difference provides navigation and linkage to care services for all Hepatitis C (HCV) patients at all FIGHT locations. We monitor all HCV testing at the John Bell Health Center and carefully track linkage and treatment data while supporting a comprehensive multi-disciplinary approach to medical care. HCV education, counseling services, and rapid testing have been made available at over 75 community-based locations, including recovery centers, senior centers, community centers and homeless shelters.

### • COMMUNITY PREVENTION, NAVIGATION & PREP SERVICES

The Community Prevention, Navigation & PrEP Services program at Philadelphia FIGHT aims to provide HIV prevention services and linkage to care throughout the city of Philadelphia.

### • MEDICAL CASE MANAGEMENT

Our Medical Case Management team is comprised of Masters-level social workers and licensed counselors, providing exceptional onsite case management services to people living with HIV/AIDS at Jonathan Lax Treatment Center and John Bell Health Center. Our team links patients to medical care and resources, provides adherence counseling and HIV/AIDS education, and assists clients with creating a realistic game plan based on personal growth towards a better quality of life.



## BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

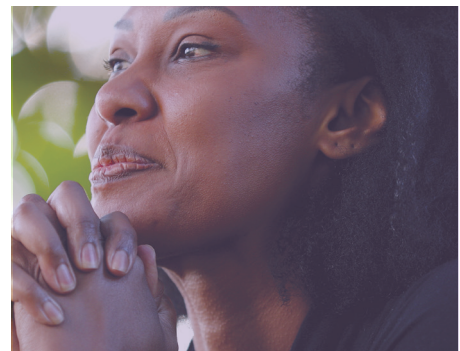
Philadelphia FIGHT's Behavioral Health Clinics are staffed by behavioral health professionals who are committed to providing an integrated, holistic approach to therapeutic intervention, and can help individuals develop the skills and attitudes needed to create a better today and tomorrow.

### ▪ DIANA BALDWIN MENTAL HEALTH CLINIC

The Diana Baldwin Mental Health Clinic provides culturally competent behavioral health services that address the psychological, social and emotional needs of every patient. Our Licensed Clinical Social Workers specialize in Depression, Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), Bipolar Disorder, Anxiety, Anger Management and Family and Relationship problems.

### ▪ NEW BEGINNINGS DRUG & ALCOHOL OUTPATIENT PROGRAM

New Beginnings is a licensed Intensive Outpatient Program (IOP). Our mission is to help individuals struggling with Drug and Alcohol Use Disorder to establish and maintain recovery. Our dedicated counselors and staff are committed to offering individualized and person-centered treatment. We believe that there are multiple pathways to recovery-based individual's unique strengths and personal experiences. We offer multiple, specialized groups and individual sessions to meet the needs of each person and our curriculum is based on the Department of Mental Health's (DMH) Recovery Transformation model. We help participants create their own wellness action recovery plans to develop self-awareness and a sense of hope along with personal responsibility and self-advocacy.







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## EDUCATION & TRAINING

The Department of Education and Training at Philadelphia FIGHT delivers and convenes a wide range of high quality, participant-driven educational programs, workshops, and events to Philadelphia FIGHT Community Health Center patients and participants, as well as to the wider community with a specialty in HIV and Sexual Health Education and Adult Education.

Our programs integrate holistic support for each participant and address the social inequalities most impacting individuals for the purpose of creating change.

### ▪ COMMUNITY HEALTH TRAINING ALLIANCE (CHTA)

Our community and professional training program provides a year-long series of workshops, conferences, webinars, and symposiums on health topics that impact our most vulnerable communities. Programming includes our AIDS Education Month series of events and the HIV/AIDS Prevention and Education Summit. Through alliances with other organizations and groups, we convene speakers from diverse backgrounds, with a priority on elevating the expertise of those with lived experience from around the region on a wide range of topics that include: the opioid epidemic, Hepatitis C, trauma-informed care, sex work, housing and homelessness, mass incarceration, and more.

### ▪ CRITICAL PATH LEARNING CENTER

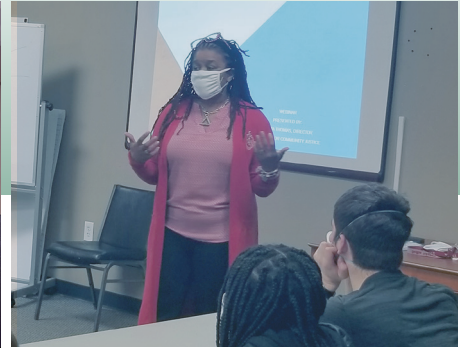
The Critical Path Learning Center, an expansion of the Critical Path Project and the AIDS Library, is an educational commons and stigma-free space devoted to the intersection of health and literacy for the digital age. The Critical Path Learning Center is open to everyone. Health information, digital literacy classes, employment readiness trainings, GED and adult basic education, and hospitality and support services are some of many free services offered.

### ▪ PROJECT TEACH

Our signature education program Project TEACH and our Peer Education and Sexual Health Education programs provide courses and workshops at FIGHT, in the community, and in schools. Project TEACH (Treatment Education Activists Combating HIV) is an innovative health education program which trains people living with HIV/AIDS to act as peer educators, activists and advocates in the underserved communities hardest hit by the AIDS pandemic – low-income communities and communities of color. TEACH focuses not only on prevention but on treatment education, outreach and advocacy.



## REENTRY SERVICES & FAITH INITIATIVES



### • INSTITUTE FOR COMMUNITY JUSTICE

The Institute for Community Justice (ICJ) is a comprehensive prison services and reentry program providing health linkages, supportive services, education, and advocacy for individuals, families and communities impacted by mass incarceration. Offerings include employment services, career wardrobe access, computer literacy, ABE/GED programs, case management, peer mentoring/support groups, anger management, family reunification, and expungement clinics. ICJ also provides referrals for housing, legal services, medical services, mental health, and substance abuse.

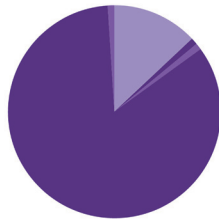
### • FAITH INITIATIVES

The Office of Faith Initiatives at Philadelphia FIGHT builds bridges between people living with HIV/AIDS and faith communities, and tends to the spiritual health of people living with HIV/AIDS by shedding light on hope, wellness and transformation. Faithful TEACH offers a 7-week education and training program for faith leaders whose faith communities are impacted by the HIV pandemic. Our Faith Leaders Network Meetings share information about HIV/AIDS and other public health issues.



## FINANCIALS

### REVENUE



- Government Contracts & Grants: 13%
- Other Grants and Contributions: 1%
- Industry Research Studies: 1%
- Patient Fees and Insurance: 84%
- Miscellaneous Income: 1%

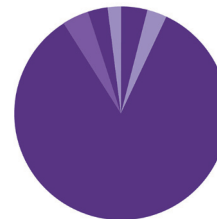
Government Contracts and Grants .....	6,432,884
Other Grants and Contributions.....	534,199
Industry Research Studies.....	581,366
Patient Fees and Insurance.....	43,726,846
Miscellaneous Income .....	255,455

**Total Revenue .....** 51,530,750

### NET ASSETS

Net Assets, Beginning of Year.....	14,157,309
Net Assets, Ending of Year.....	13,817,100
Net Loss on Investments.....	266,523
Change in Net Assets .....	(340,209)

### EXPENSES



- Educational Programs: 4%
- Client Services: 3%
- Patient Services/Medical: 84%
- Patient Services/Dental: 4%
- Patient Services/Behavioral Health: 3%
- Institute for Community Justice: 2%

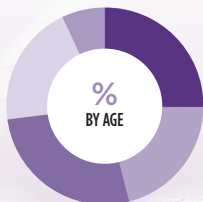
Educational Programs.....	1,713,988
Client Services.....	1,596,921
Patient Services - Medical.....	39,406,273
Patient Services - Dental.....	1,851,897
Patient Services - Behavioral Health .....	1,287,466
Institute for Community Justice.....	1,136,422
Faith Based Initiatives .....	21,352

**Total Program Expenses .....** 47,014,485

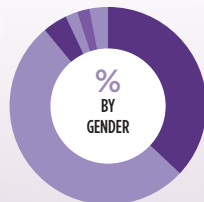
Administrative Expenses.....	4,499,744
Fundraising Expenses .....	90,632

**Total Expenses.....** 51,604,436

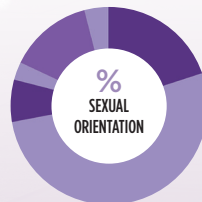
## CLIENT POPULATION



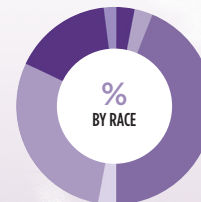
- 0 – 17: 25%
- 18 – 29: 21%
- 30 – 49: 27%
- 50 – 64: 20%
- 65+: 7%



- FEMALE: 37%
- MALE: 52%
- OTHER: 4%
- CHOOSE NOT TO DISCLOSE: 1%
- ASSIGNED FEMALE AT BIRTH: 2%
- ASSIGNED MALE AT BIRTH: 3%



- LESBIAN/GAY: 19%
- STRAIGHT: 51%
- BISEXUAL: 7%
- OTHER: 3%
- DON'T KNOW: 14%
- CHOSE NOT TO DISCLOSE: 2%



- ASIAN: 3%
- OTHER PACIFIC ISLANDER: 3%
- BLACK/AFRICAN AMERICAN: 45%
- AMERICAN INDIAN/ALASKA NATIVE: 3%
- WHITE: 29%
- MORE THAN ONE RACE: 6%
- UNREPORTED/REFUSED TO REPORT: 11%



- HISPANIC/LATINO: 23%
- NON-HISPANIC/LATINO: 77%



## SPONSORS

# Thank You!

Thanks again to our sponsors for their generous support!

Because of you, we were once again able to virtually present our events to the community.

## THE 2022 HIV PREVENTION & EDUCATION VIRTUAL CONFERENCE

It Takes A Village: Building Community & Health Advocacy

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We gratefully acknowledge the City of Philadelphia's Department of Public Health, AIDS Activities Coordinating Office's (AACO) support for this conference, and for its continued support of AIDS Education Month.



*These health centers receive HHS funding and have Federal Public Health Service (PHS) deemed status with respect to certain health or health-related claims, including medical malpractice claims, for itself and its covered individuals.*

## COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS & SOURCES OF REVENUE

### PUBLIC FUNDERS & PARTNERSHIPS

#### UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services  
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention  
Health Resources and Services Administration  
Bureau of Primary Health Care  
Health Resources and Services Administration  
HIV/AIDS Bureau  
National Institutes of Health  
National Library of Medicine  
Institute of Museum and Library Sciences

#### OTHER AWARDS

Independence Blue Cross Foundation  
Independence Foundation  
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Integral Molecular  
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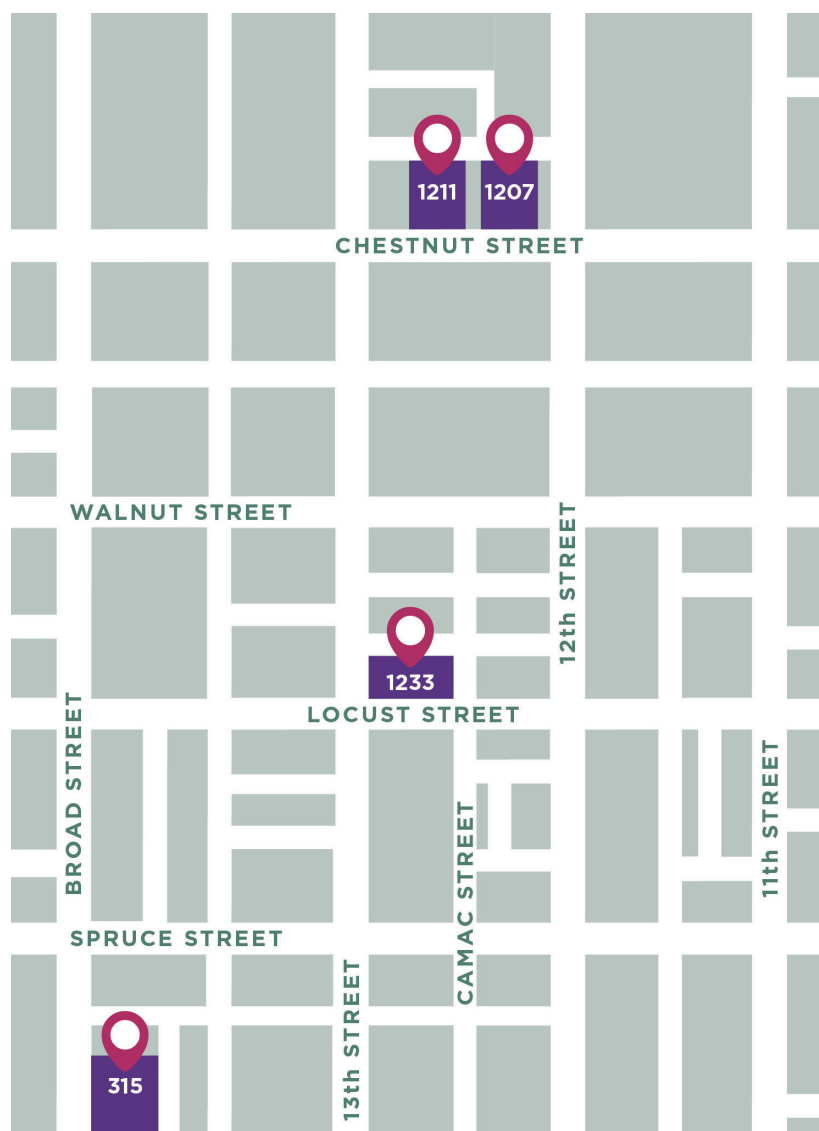
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