



MEASURING ILLINOIS' PROGRESS TO GET TO ZERO

WHAT IS THE GETTING TO ZERO ILLINOIS (GTZ-IL) DASHBOARD?

The GTZ-IL dashboard is a customizable data tool that will allow us to measure our progress to get to zero new HIV cases in Illinois by 2030. Synthesizing publicly available data from the Chicago Department of Public Health (CDPH) and Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH), the dashboard allows partners, providers, advocates and others to find specific datasets on HIV prevalence throughout the state.

WHO CREATED THE DASHBOARD?

From 2019 to 2021, a team of Northwestern University data scientists built the dashboard using data from CDPH and IDPH. GTZ-IL thanks Northwestern, CDPH and IDPH for their partnership.

WHY WAS THE DASHBOARD CREATED?

The dashboard was created as one-stop data shop to support Illinois' HIV community, make the data available on HIV more accessible and create accountability in our work towards ending the HIV epidemic.

Whether you are a person living with HIV, a passionate advocate, a provider or a grant writer, the dashboard's customizable tools will allow you to create datasets based on age, race and geographic region amongst other factors that reflect your specific community. These downloadable datasets can be used to advance the work you're doing in your community to get to zero. For example, if you wanted to find HIV prevalence for cisgender Black women living on the West Side of Chicago who are between the ages of 18 and 24, you'd be able to pull this specific dataset and use it for your advocacy, grant applications, reports, presentations, journalism and more.

Though the total number of HIV cases are trending downward in the state, that isn't the case for all demographic groups. This tool will allow GTZ-IL to remain accountable for making progress on ending the HIV epidemic in all communities and ensuring all people living with HIV have access to needed resources.

WHAT CAN THE DASHBOARD BE USED FOR?

The dashboard can be used to myth bust and eradicate stigma; support proposed legislation with specific data; aid grant applications for your community; tell stories; and advance policy and advocacy for increased funding for HIV screening and connecting people living with HIV to care.

WHAT ARE THE LIMITATIONS OF THE DASHBOARD?

The GTZ-IL dashboard only presents data already being collected by the city and state. Further, not every aspect of the GTZ-IL plan will be reflected in the dashboard because comprehensive data does not yet exist on all elements of the plan.

Check out the dashboard by visiting <https://dashboard.gtzillinois.hiv/>. Have additional questions? If you are a member of the HIV community, please contact Sara Semelka, GTZ-IL senior project manager, at ssemelka@aidschicago.org. If you're a member of the press, please contact GTZ-IL communications workgroup co-chair Bailey Williams at bwilliams@aidschicago.org.