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2021

October 2021: NIDA renames its AIDS Research Program the <u>NIDA</u> <u>HIV Research Program (HRP)</u> to reduce stigmatizing language, and to better reflect the evolving scientific focus on the virus itself and the intertwining epidemic of substance use disorders.

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June 2021: NIDA issues a <u>Notice of</u> <u>Special Interest</u> in epidemiological investigations to quantify the impact of the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic on human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) prevention, incidence, transmission, and outcomes.

February 2021: <u>The Centers for</u> <u>Disease Control and Prevention lists</u> <u>HIV as a high-risk medical condition</u>, and those patients should receive SARS-CoV-2 vaccines, regardless of CD4 or viral load, because the potential benefits outweigh potential risks.

December 2020: On World AIDS Day 2020, NIDA Director Dr. Nora D. Volkow posts a <u>blog</u> highlighting the substantial strides in HIV research supported by NIDA over the past 3 decades.



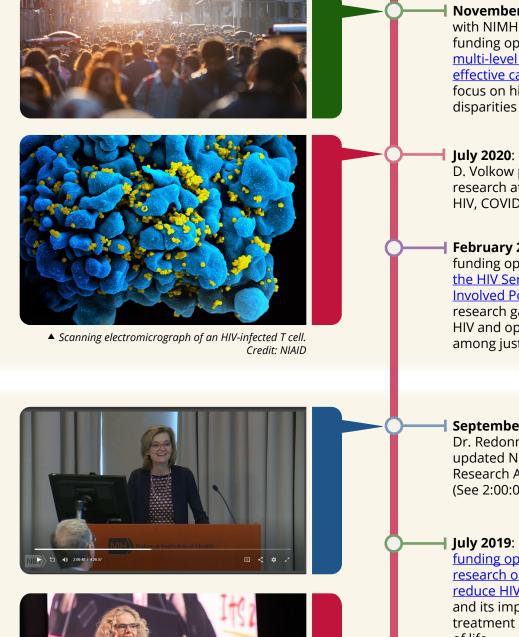
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Workers' Photos

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- **November 2020**: In collaboration with NIMHD, NIDA issues two funding opportunities to <u>stimulate</u> <u>multi-level prevention</u> and <u>cost-</u> <u>effective care innovations</u> with a focus on highest risk and health disparities populations.
- **July 2020**: NIDA Director Dr. Nora D. Volkow posts a <u>blog entry</u> on research at the intersection of HIV, COVID-19, and the opioid crisis.
- **February 2020**: NIDA releases funding opportunity "Implementing the HIV Service Cascade for Justice-Involved Populations" to address research gaps related to integrated HIV and opioid use disorder services among justice-involved patients.
- **September 2019**: ARP Director Dr. Redonna K. Chandler presents updated NIDA HIV "High Priority" Research Areas to NIDA Council. (See 2:00:00 in <u>this videocast</u>.)
- July 2019: NIDA contributes to a funding opportunity to stimulate research on interventions to reduce HIV-associated stigma and its impact on prevention and treatment of HIV and on quality of life.
- July 2019: NIDA Director Dr. Nora D. Volkow presents "<u>Opioid Use</u> <u>Disorders: Impact on HIV</u>" at the 2019 International AIDS Conference.



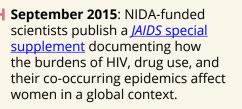


► November 2018: NIDA holds two strategic planning workshops to identify research gaps and opportunities for advancement of science at the intersection of HIV and substance use disorders.

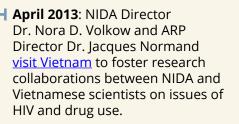
June 2018: NIDA appoints <u>Dr. Vasundhara Varthakavi</u> as its first Associate Director for the NIDA AIDS Research Program.

January 2018: NIDA appoints Dr. Redonna K. Chandler as Director of the NIDA AIDS Research Program.





June 2015: NIDA issues its first <u>Avenir Awards</u> to early-stage investigators proposing innovative research at the intersection of substance use and HIV.



November 2013: NIDA-funded scientists publish a <u>special</u> <u>supplement outlining needs of</u> <u>people who inject drugs in central</u> <u>Asia</u>, calling for quality surveillance and monitoring systems, as well as in-country implementation research.

2013



▲ Credit: PEPFAR Vietnam



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November 2012: <u>Blog post</u> by NIDA Director Dr. Nora D. Volkow highlights HIV treatment disparities for people who inject drugs as an obstacle to achieving an AIDS-free generation.

February 2011: NIDA issues a funding opportunity announcement soliciting implementation science research to support PEPFAR development of more efficient and cost-effective methods to deliver HIV prevention, treatment, and care for populations who use drugs.

November 2010: NIDA releases <u>video interviews</u> with top scientists studying HIV in populations who use drugs from the 2010 International AIDS Conference. 2010

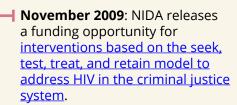




June 2010: NIDA announces a funding opportunity encouraging the development and evaluation of strategies to address HIV among vulnerable populations using seek, test, treat, and retain paradigms.



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September 2008: NIDA issues its first <u>Avant-Garde Awards</u> to support creative scientists who propose high-impact research that will open new areas of HIV research related to drug use. 2008

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April 2007: NIDA <u>launches A-START</u> <u>initiative</u> to expand drug use and HIV research funding opportunities for new and early career investigators.

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February 2007: NIDA issues <u>new</u> policy on HIV Education, Counseling, <u>Testing, and Treatment for Research</u> Subjects.

Spring 2004: NIDA establishes the AIDS Research Program (ARP) with Dr. Jacques Normand as its director.