How Do I Enroll into PrEP-AP?

Step 1: Ensure you have an authorized enrollment site (ES) and contracted provider in the PrEP-AP Provider Network near you. An updated list can be found on the Office of AIDS website.
- Call the ES and make an appointment.

Step 2: Visit an authorized ES.
- Bring required supporting documentation (proof of residency, income, and identification).

Step 3: The enrollment worker will complete a Gilead PAP application and PrEP-AP application on your behalf and refer you to a contracted provider on the PrEP-AP Provider Network to be assessed for clinical eligibility for PrEP.

- The medical provider will need to sign two forms: Gilead PAP application and PrEP-AP Provider Referral Form.

Step 5: Return the completed forms to the enrollment site. The enrollment worker will complete the enrollment process for Gilead PAP and PrEP-AP.

Step 6: Once you have received enrollment confirmation from Gilead (within 2-5 days), you will be able to access Truvada®.

Other Important Information:

- PrEP-AP is currently not accepting insured clients (including Medicare or private insurance clients) until the spring of 2018;

- Clients enrolled in Medi-Cal without a Share of Cost (SOC) are not eligible for Gilead’s PAP or the PrEP-AP;

- Medi-Cal clients with a SOC are eligible to enroll in the PrEP-AP for assistance with Truvada® and other medication on the PrEP-AP formulary up to the SOC amount; and

- Clients must receive enrollment confirmation from Gilead’s PAP before they can access Truvada®. Please call Gilead if Truvada® is needed sooner.

Contact Information:

For questions, please contact the Office of AIDS call center at:

1-844-421-7050

Hours:
Monday - Friday
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Or send questions to:
PrEP.Support@cdph.ca.gov

Office of AIDS
P.O. Box 997377 M.S. 0500
Sacramento, CA 95899-7377
What is PrEP?

PrEP is a once daily medication that individuals can take who are HIV Negative to reduce their chance of contracting HIV. A daily dose of PrEP reduces the risk of contracting HIV from sex by more than 90%. Among people who inject drugs, it reduces the risk by more than 70%.

Please Note: PrEP does not protect against pregnancy or Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs).

What Medications are Used in PrEP?

Currently Truvada® is the only medication that is approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration for PrEP. Truvada® combines two medications in one: Emtriva (also called emtricitabine or FTC) and Viread (also called tenofovir disoproxil fumarate or TDF).

Who Should Take Truvada®?

Truvada® for PrEP is recommended for any individuals who are at significant risk of contracting HIV including:

- Men who have sex with men (MSM), or who have multiple sex partners;
- Heterosexual and transgender men or women who have multiple sex partners and do not regularly use condoms; and
- Individuals who share needles/equipment to inject drugs or recently went to a drug treatment program.

Consult with your physician to determine if this treatment is right for you.

How Can I Pay for PrEP?

The California Department of Public Health (CDPH), Center for Infectious Diseases (CID), Office of AIDS (OA), PrEP-AP provides assistance with medications related to treatment for the prevention of HIV. For uninsured clients, the PrEP-AP will pay for:

1) Approved PrEP-related medical out-of-pocket costs; and

2) Medications on the PrEP-AP formulary for the prevention of HIV and STI treatment, excluding Truvada®, which is provided free by the manufacturer.

Please Note: Clients are required to see a contracted provider on the PrEP-AP Provider Network to receive assistance with PrEP-related medical out-of-pocket costs.

PrEP-AP Eligibility Requirements

In order to enroll in the PrEP-AP, uninsured applicants must also enroll in the manufacturer’s Patient Assistance Program (PAP). Currently Gilead Sciences, Inc. (Gilead) is the sole manufacturer of Truvada® for PrEP. Clients enrolled in Gilead’s PAP will receive Truvada® free of charge from Gilead. Clients are required to maintain eligibility in both programs in order to receive PrEP-AP benefits, this includes re-enrolling every six months in both PrEP-AP and PAP.

Individuals are eligible for PrEP-AP services if they meet the following criteria:

- Are residents of California;
- Have a negative HIV test result (dated within 6 months of the PrEP-AP application);
- Are at least 18 years of age;
- Have an annual Modified Adjusted Gross Income (MAGI) that does not exceed 500 percent of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) based on family size and household income;
- Are not fully covered by Medi-Cal or other third party payers; and
- Are enrolled in the manufacturer’s assistance program (if eligible).