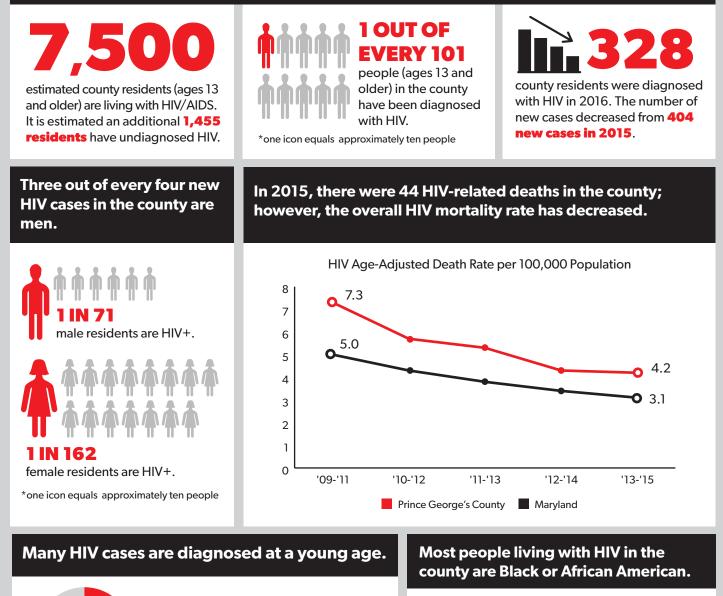
HIV & AIDS FACT SHEET



HIV is a virus that weakens the immune system and can make a person's cells unable to fight infection and disease. HIV is most commonly spread through anal or vaginal sex or sharing needles or syringes with a person who has HIV. There is medication that can help prevent HIV for people at high risk. While there is no cure for HIV, there is medication available to help people with HIV live longer and reduce the risk of infecting others. It is important for people with HIV to receive regular medical care. Routine HIV screening is recommended for adults and adolescents. Persons at high risk for HIV infection should be screened for HIV at least annually.

In 2016, Prince George's County had the highest number of new HIV cases in the state.





NEARLY 40 % of new HIV cases in the county are under the age of 30.



of all living HIV cases are Black or African American.