

# The Philadelphia AIDS Consortium d.b.a World Health Care Infrastructure



2019-2020  
Annual Report

## Message from the Executive Director, Yoshiaki Yamasaki MEd:

This report is a snapshot of TPAC/WHCI's programs, and they include: 340 B, Mental Health, Medical Care, Diagnostics for: Chlamydia, Gonorrhea, syphilis, Hep C, HIV, Covid 19 testing.

This report also reflects the impact that consultants, staff, and volunteers have had throughout the years 2019 and 2020.

In response to massive infections of COVID-19 testing sites were established in collaboration with UPENN and Garces Foundation, and more than 300 individuals were tested. It is not until we end the stigma and discrimination associated with testing and vaccination that we can erase the barriers for those who need care, putting an end to the largest pandemic of our time.

This year, we continued to deliver services through our volunteer program, technical assistance trainings, certification programs, and outreach events. We have expanded our services to include tele counseling services for all, including immigrants and refugees, tele health services, massive food distribution program, distribution of face masks, sanitizer, and other personal protective equipment.

Professional networks and partner sites have sustained and/or increased to include the Mexican Consulate, John Hopkins University, Drexel University, Temple University, UPENN, Philadelphia Department of Health, JFK Behavioral Health Center, Access Matters, Newlands medical center, HIAS, VWSSP, North Philly Pharmacy, Solvency Pharmacy, AVITA Pharmacy, Elwyn Pharmacy, Cardinal Health, Knack, WOAR, Nota Consulting, NSC, Fraser, Chembio, ORASURE, Trinity Tibotech, Arcadia University, CCP, shoprite, Concilio, Congreso, Philadelphia Police Department etc.

For our WHCI partners outside the country, I would like to particularly highlight La Universidad Catolica de Santiago de Chile POL program.

Unfortunately, due to covid 19 our relationship with Robert Moore Memorial Healthcare Center in Liberia for the introduction of HIV rapid testing got postponed. Nevertheless, we continue to be in communication hoping to restart the project soon.

I am proud of our staff, consultants, and volunteers for keeping the doors open throughout the pandemic, truly saving lives including delivering medication and meals to our COVID-19 positive clients.

Here's to another year of serving our local, national, and international communities and making a difference in the lives of those who are in need.

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# Our Mission Statement:



TPAC's mission is to ensure the availability and coordination of comprehensive and integrative health and social services to individuals who experience:

- Lack of affordable whole healthcare
- HIV
- Sexually transmitted Infections
- Behavioral health challenges
- Challenges navigating the system

## Meeting the Challenge

Since 1989, TPAC proactively has been meeting the challenges of ensuring the provision of health and social services to those infected or affected by the HIV/AIDS epidemic, and securing the resources necessary to support those services. In addition to direct health services, TPAC provides local, regional, and international (dba World Health Care Infrastructures) leadership training, capacity building, technical assistance, and program coordination to community-based service organizations.

We complete this mission by providing the following services:

- Support Groups - for crime victims who speak Spanish, those living with HIV who speak Spanish, and those who identify as transgender, non-binary, gender variant & non-conforming
- Medical Services for those uninsured and under-insured
- Individual therapy
- Mental health evaluations for immigration cases
- Trainings - for community-based organizations and members of marginalized communities
- Clothing closet & food pantry
- Case management



# Our Board of Directors



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# Key Points, Facts and Figures

## Our Clients:

Serving clients locally, regionally, and around the world

The 5 Counties that we serve in our region:

1. Philadelphia County
2. Delaware County
3. Montgomery County
4. Bucks County
5. Chester County

## Demographic:

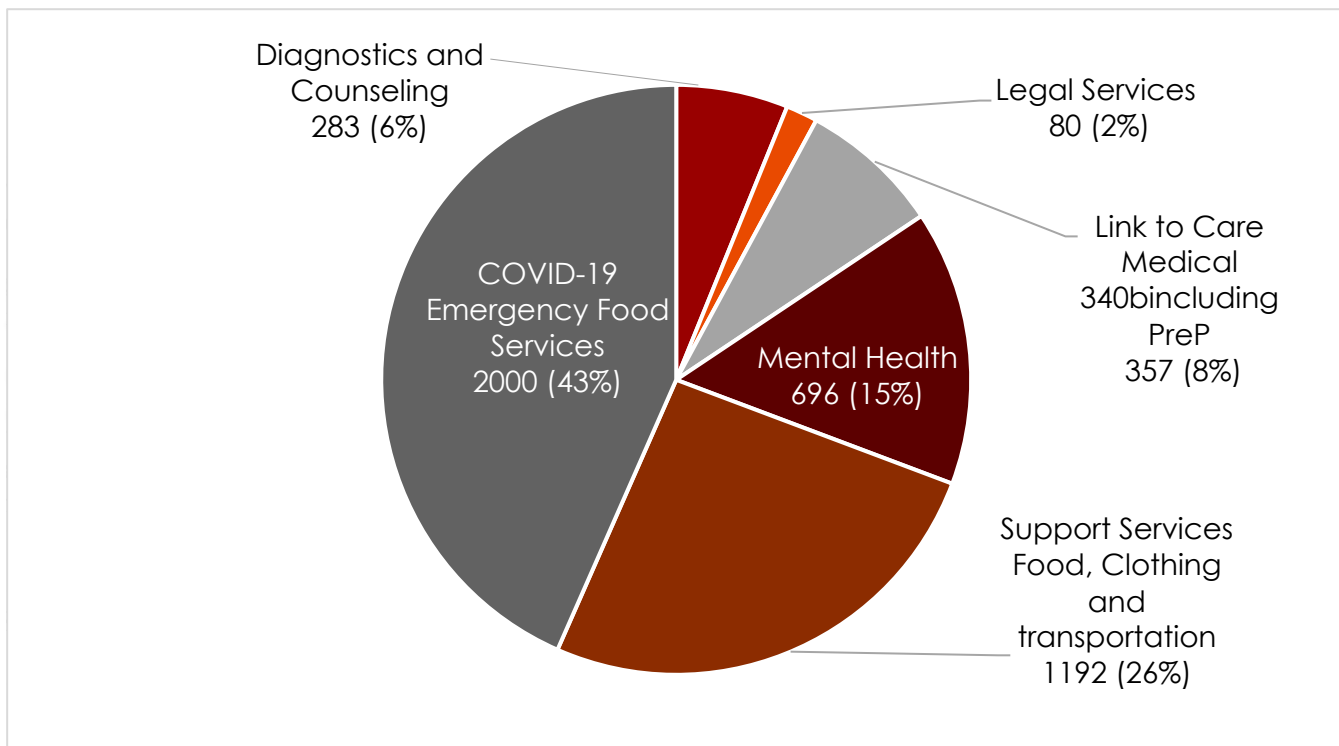
- Latino: 46.77%
- Black/African American: 37.16%
- White: 9.13%
- API: 5.74%
- Latino/Indigenous: 1.2%
  
- Male: 43.36%
- Female: 50.85%
- Transgender: 5.79%
  - Male to Female: 4.19%
  - Female to Male: 1.6%
  
- 18-24: 13%
- 25-35: 44%
- 36-50: 33%
- 51+: 10%



## Possible Top Risk Factors our clients face

1. COVID-19
2. Domestic violence
3. Street crimes
4. Drug and Alcohol Abuse

Number of Clients Served  
The pie chart indicates the number of people served ongoing in 2019-2020 for:



### People Served by Gender

Service Categories	Female	Female-to-Male	Male	Male-to-Female	Other	Undisclosed	Total
Diagnostics and Counseling	83	7	146	17	0	30	283
Legal Services	35	0	42	0	0	3	80
Link to Care Medical 340b including PreP	91	13	177	34	0	42	357
Mental Health	340	1	323	5	0	27	696
Support Services	484	17	566	48	1	76	1192

### Active Diagnoses

Diagnosis	Count
HCV	14
HIV	161
Syphilis	1

### Link to Care, Medical 340b including PreP and SPBP

TPAC 340B	243
Newlands 340B	91
PreP	25
SPBP	10



# Accomplishments and Events

## VICTIMS ADVOCATE AWARD GOES TO OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR YOSHIAKI YAMASAKI

Every year the Philadelphia Coalition for Victim Advocacy salutes outstanding providers in the field of victim advocacy.

In 2019, our very own Executive Director, Yoshiaki Yamasaki, was honored with the Healthcare Provider Victim Advocate Award. Mr. Yamasaki.



## TRANSFORMATION SUPPORT GROUP

In 2019 the Mazzoni Center also recognized us during Trans Week of Visibility at their visibility brunch and awards show. TPAC/WHCI was recognized for its continued work, dedication, and visibility within Trans and GNC communities. For over nine years TPAC/WHCI has held the Transformation Support Group for transgender, non-binary, gender variant and gender non-conforming individuals every Tuesday afternoon from 3 - 5 PM.



**Prevention and linkage to care Program**

- Counseling Testing and Referral Services for HIV, Hepatitis C, Chlamydia, Gonorrhea and Syphilis
- Popular Opinion Leaders Program

**Medical Services for People With HIV,STI's and Mental Health 340 b Program**

- Medical and Social Services for Immigrants, General Medical Services for the Under insured /Uninsured.
- Individual Counseling

**Access to Care Through Service Volunteer Program**

- Clothing Bank/Education/ Outreach/ Canned Food
- Intern/volunteer opportunities for students and community peers

**Mental Health**

- Counseling and Referrals for legal services

**Technical Assistance**

- Testing and Linkage to Care Certification Program
- Language Interpreting Certification Program

- Sexual Violence and HIV Certification
- Culture and Diversity
- Mental health/ Drugs and Alcohol
- HIV/AIDS related trainings.
- TA Strategic Planning for CBOs, etc

**Transformation Group TPAC and JFK Behavioral Health Center**

- Therapeutic Support group for transwomen, transmen, gender variant, gender nonconforming individuals

**North Philly Project 2127 N. 6th St .19122**

- Counseling, Testing, Outreach
- Latino Support Groups
- Case Management Services
- Medical Services and Medications

**CRISOL Training - 2 Years in the Making**

WHCI began collaborating with Dr. Ana Martinez-Donate and Professor Omar Martinez from Drexel and Temple universities in 2017. The purpose of the collaboration was to connect our community-driven knowledge, experience and trainings to the technical expertise and research capabilities that universities like Drexel, Temple and its students provide. There are currently two studies we are collaborating on with Dr. Martinez-Donate and Professor Martinez. The first is CRISOL, which stands for Cultivating Resilient and Strong Opinion Leaders. An original Intervention adapted from the CDC and provided by TPAC/WHCI from 2009 to 2014. As a result of this experience the three institutions join forces to create CRISOL. The CRISOL project adapted once again the curricula to response to the syndemic in the latino communities o of Philadelphia. We trained 16 community leaders to identify and help families, friends and neighbors identify and change traditional social norms and solve problems in their own communities.

Popular Opinion Leader (POL) encourage healthy attitudes and behavioral norms in the community. The POLs were trained to understand the impact of syndemics in Latino communities (i.e. the connections between HIV, mental health, domestic violence and alcohol/drug abuse "SAVAME"). POLS increased their level of awareness of personal resilience and of ways to increase community resilience. They are establishing links with community resources and connecting individuals in need to these resources. They have developed and enhance their skills in communication, leadership, outreach and community-based research.

## World Health Care Infrastructures: International Services

- TPAC/ WOAR/Mexican consulate project for immigrants
- John Hopkins, TPAC, UPENN, Temple, Baltimore Health Department, DC health Department, Coalition for Latinos and immigration
- Drexel, Temple and TPAC Latino Popular Opinion Leader and Community Resiliency program.

## WHCI Returns to Santiago, Chile

Activities carried out during 2019 and 2020

- Seminar in HIV prevention update at the Catholic University of Santiago Chile
- Certification of Popular Opinion Leaders in Prevention Counseling and Testing for HIV rapid testing technology in Santiago, Chile
- News posted in the web page of the SN and University <http://enfermeria.uc.cl/noticias/1045-docente-capacita-a-lideres-pares-en-vih>
- Meeting with Faculty of Medicine, PUC, Student Health Program
- Meetings with local and national institutions, DIPRECE
- A Facetalk with WOAR (Women Organized Against Rape), Philadelphia USA <https://www.facebook.com/woarphila/videos/2445974938825163/>
- Report to the Board of Directors of WHCI, Philadelphia USA
- Talk at Drexel University, USA
- Certification of Popular Opinion Leaders in Prevention Counseling and Testing for SAVAME in Philadelphia. The contribution of Professor Lisette Irrarázabal (Board Member) gives continuity and strength to the collaboration between countries and institutions concerned, including Drexel University, Temple University, Catholic University of Santiago and TPAC/WHCI.





## COVID-19 Response

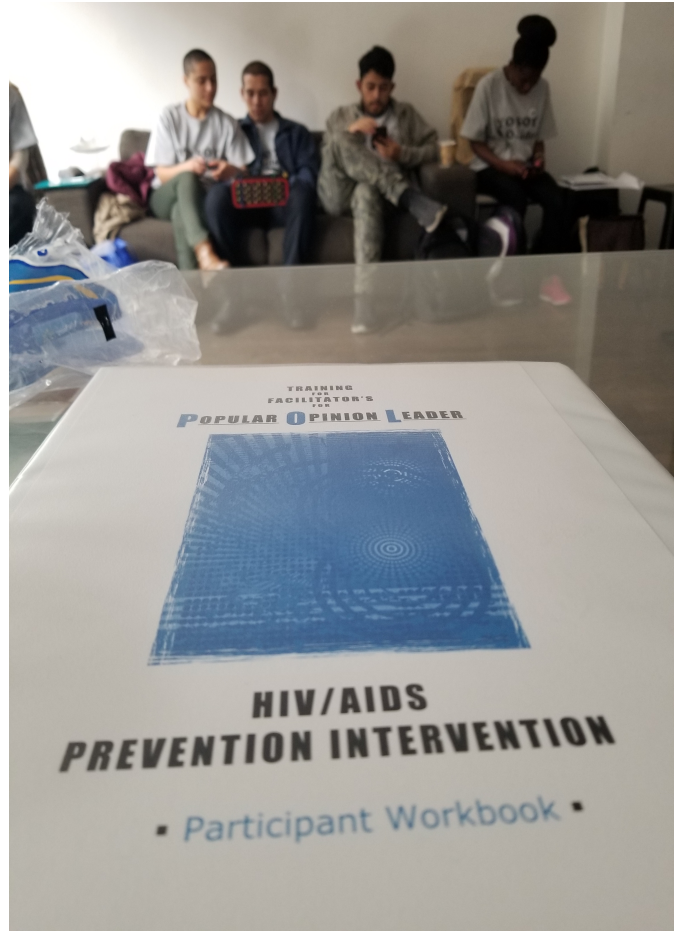
We have organized a massive food distribution program, distribution of face masks, sanitizer, and other personal protective equipment. We also received support from the Philadelphia Foundation to fight COVID.



**Protect yourself and others.  
WEAR A MASK!**













# Our Financials

	Annual Salary	FTE	Number	Year
<b>Subtotal Wages (6 Full Time/1 Part Time)</b>				<b>\$ 637,500.00</b>
Fringe Benefits Health Insurance, Life Insurance		25%		\$ 159,375.00
<b>Total Wages</b>				<b>\$ 796,875.00</b>

Consultants and Stipend Volunteers	Montly	Year
		\$ -
		\$ -
<b>Total Consultants</b>	<b>\$ 10,800.00</b>	<b>\$ 129,600.00</b>

Operational Items (Description)	Months	Monthly	Year
Postage	12	\$ 200.00	\$ 2,400.00
USPS/UPS	12	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 12,000.00
401k Match	12	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 48,000.00
Food Vouchers	12	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 84,000.00
Consultants: Mental Health/Medical (Victims Compensation)	12	\$ 4,200.00	\$ 50,400.00
Insurance	12	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 24,000.00
Printer/Copier	12	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 21,600.00
Medical Director	12	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 12,000.00
IT Consultant/Database	12	\$ 2,850.00	\$ 34,200.00
Bank/Payroll Charges	12	\$ 500.00	\$ 6,000.00
Office Supplies	12	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 12,000.00
Intern Incentives	12	\$ 500.00	\$ 6,000.00
Hartford Worker's Compensation	12	\$ 450.00	\$ 5,400.00
PECO/PGW	12	\$ 150.00	\$ 1,800.00
Philadelphia Insurance	12	\$ 750.00	\$ 9,000.00
JFK Rent	12	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 54,000.00
North Philly Rent	12	\$ 850.00	\$ 10,200.00
Kinray, Cardinal, R&S Northeast, McKesson (Vendor cost for medication)	12	\$ 250,000.00	\$ 3,000,000.00
Training Support Costs	12	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 12,000.00
Quality Control/Dr. Nota	12	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 180,000.00
International Travel	12	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 24,000.00
Telephone and Internet	12	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 24,000.00
Emergency Meals Program due to Covid-19	12	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 108,000.00
Miscelanous	12	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 12,000.00
Local Travel	12	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 60,000.00
<b>Total Operational Cost</b>		<b>\$ 317,750.00</b>	<b>\$ 3,813,000.00</b>

**Total** **\$ 4,739,475.00**

**Income** **\$ 400,000.00** **\$ 4,800,000.00**

**Surplus** **\$ 60,525.00**

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