





WHO WE ARE

The Southwest Center for HIV/AIDS (formerly Body Positive, Inc.) is the largest agency in the Southwest to provide the combined services of clinical trials, prevention, education, outreach, and research through community alliances. Based in Phoenix, Arizona, the Center reaches out to more than 25,000 men, women and youth annually, and directly serves more than 1,200 clients impacted by HIV/AIDS.

The Southwest Center for HIV/AIDS is dedicated to providing the following services in a supportive environment.

- Peer-based prevention, education and outreach programs reaching out to men, women, youth, and transgender populations. The agency conducts prevention, education, and HIV testing and counseling services in primarily Maricopa County, as well as select services and programs in Northern, Southern and Eastern Arizona.
- Clinical trials that enable clients who are referred by their primary care physicians to participate in promising therapies in the treatment of HIV/AIDS. The Center's history of partnership with pharmaceutical companies for HIV/AIDS clinical trial(s) research has resulted in more than two dozen antiretroviral drugs earning Federal Drug Administration approval.
- Wellness and life management services, including nutritional consultants, naturopathic medicine and an on-site vitamin and herb shop.
- Emotional support for HIV-positive individuals, friends and families through support, respite and childcare.

WHY WE ARE UNIQUE Individual help.

When you walk into the Southwest Center for HIV/AIDS, you immediately get a sense of the care and compassion extended to each person who participates in services. Whether it's one of our unique and dedicated support programs, our diverse naturopathic care or our well-regarded clinical trials studies, an individual finds what they need to enhance the quality of their life.

The agency's services and programs make a significant difference in the lives of men, women and youth impacted by HIV/AIDS. The agency is dedicated to preventing the disease as well as to individuals and their families infected, affected or at risk for HIV/AIDS and other related conditions.

PREVENTION

The Southwest Center for HIV/AIDS offers more than 15 programs reaching men, women, youth and HIV-infected and affected clients. Prevention and education workshops for men, women, youth and long-term survivors of HIV/AIDS are conducted both at agency, and at community-based locations. Outreach activities include participation in community and classroom-based events. New programs are being developed to reach the growing 55 and older population, youth and young adults, as well as programs designed for a variety of ethnic communities in partnership with community-based organizations.

WELLNESS

Clients who are served by the Kirk D. Baxter Wellness Center experience a dramatic increase in their quality of life. The Center is staffed with licensed behavioral health counselors who provide emotional support through a variety of programs including individual sessions and support groups; registered dieticians who provide nutrition and dietary advice; and naturopathic physicians providing acupuncture, vitamin and nutrient therapy.

RESEARCH

Research at the Southwest Center for HIV/AIDS is dedicated to preventative vaccines and promising therapies in the treatment of HIV/AIDS. One of the central activities at the Center is its unique, community-based clinical trials program. In addition, the agency is developing a number of new academic research partnerships to contribute to the body of knowledge in the field of HIV/AIDS prevention and lifelong wellness.

For more information about the Southwest Center for HIV/AIDS, please visit our web site, www.swhiv.org. Our web site provides agency contact information, as well as a variety of programs, events, and educational resources.

AGENCY VISION AND MISSION

Leading in the fight against HIV and AIDS by reducing infection, improving quality of life and contributing to worldwide research.

Child watch is available onsite for all clients utilizing services at the Center.

For more information, contact the Southwest Center for HIV/AIDS at 602-307-5330 or at www.swhiv.org.



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