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In just five weeks, more than 500 investigators, research staff, and community members from U.S. and international research sites will gather at the Washington Marriott Wardman Park for the 2019 HPTN Annual Meeting. Dr. Anthony S. Fauci, director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID), will deliver a special keynote regarding NIAID's HIV/AIDS research priorities. Other presenters will discuss the latest developments and research approaches critical to our research portfolio. In addition, two special panel discussions will address [HPTN 071](#) (PopART) findings and lessons learned, and ethical considerations when designing HIV prevention trials. The Annual Meeting also includes sessions organized by the HPTN's Laboratory Center, Statistical and Data Management Center, Scholars, and Community Working Group.

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HPTN 071 (PopART) Researchers Deliver Study Results to South African Communities



By Kim Cloete

Residents from nine communities in and around Cape Town and the Winelands district of South Africa recently gathered to hear about the primary outcome results of the [HPTN 071](#) (PopART) study. Similar events were held in the 12 Zambian study communities as well. HPTN 071 (PopART) is the largest study in HIV prevention to date and was carried out in South Africa and Zambia.

Community members and local leaders, fieldworkers and clinic staff from the nine South African study sites met at town halls and venues in the communities to attend the dissemination meetings.

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Shoutouts



Jennifer Velloza, MPH, [HPTN 082/HERS](#) study team member and doctoral candidate, received the Outstanding PhD Student Award for the Department of Epidemiology at the University of Washington in Seattle. She will deliver an oral presentation on qualitative analyses of PrEP stigma and adherence from HPTN 082 at the 2019 International Conference on HIV Treatment and Prevention Adherence in Miami, June 17-19.

Network Member Spotlight



Robert Gamboa is the senior recruiter at the ICAP Harlem Prevention Center (HPC) in Harlem, New York. He joined HPC in 2009 as a community outreach worker for [HPTN 061](#). Robert was instrumental in achieving the highest enrollment rate among all HPTN 061 study sites and best participant retention rate among all sites. He has nearly two decades of experience as a Harlem-based advocate, working with people who use drugs, transgender individuals and men who have sex with men (MSM). Robert is also part of the Harlem Hospital Community Advisory Board.

How did you first get involved with the HPTN?

I was hired as a part-time outreach worker for HPTN 061: The Brothers Study. We became an established clinical research site and had a lot to contribute to making the study a success. I started going to the annual HPTN Community Working Group Meeting beginning in 2013.

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