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[National HIV/AIDS and Aging Awareness Day](#) (NHAAD) is observed each year on September 18th to focus on the increasing number of people living long, full lives with HIV. The Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) program has seen an increase in recent years of the HOPWA eligible individuals aged 51 and older. The most recent program year's data in 2021 shows 46% of HOPWA eligible individuals were aged 51 and older. This is up from 45% in 2020, 43% in 2019, and 42% in 2018.

HUD's Office of HIV/AIDS Housing (OHH), that administers the HOPWA program, is sponsoring a webinar series focused on HIV and Aging. This webinar series focuses on community resources available and/or targeted to aging people with HIV, effective strategies and supports to prevent and address feelings of social isolation and loneliness among people aging with HIV, and frailty and mobility challenges for people aging with HIV.

The fifth session in its webinar series focused on HIV and Aging titled, At the Intersection of HIV, Aging & Housing: Exploring the Data & Engaging in Discussions, will take place on **Monday, September 18, 2023 from 12-1:30pm (EST)**. This webinar will spotlight the evolving needs of the aging community, emphasize the criticality of the "Health and Housing" nexus, and showcase ways to address these intersectional challenges optimally. You can register for the webinar [here](#).

Additional information on the HIV and Aging webinar series, including materials from past webinars, can be accessed here: <https://www.hudexchange.info/news/hiv-and-aging-webinar-series/>



Housing is an effective structural intervention in ending the HIV epidemic in the United States.

Each year, HOPWA ensures housing stability for more than 100,000 American households that are low-income and living with HIV.

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