

The JACQUES Initiative (JI), a program of the Institute of Human Virology (IHV) at the University of Maryland School of Medicine, was established in 2003 and is named for Joe Jacques, a proponent of holistic care delivery and an early founder of a support group for Baltimore’s most vulnerable persons living with HIV. The program’s mission is to change lives, engage communities, and support health systems affected by HIV and Hepatitis C virus (HCV). JI achieves this mission through a holistic approach by leading individuals, their families and communities of the City of Baltimore through a **Journey to Wellness**.

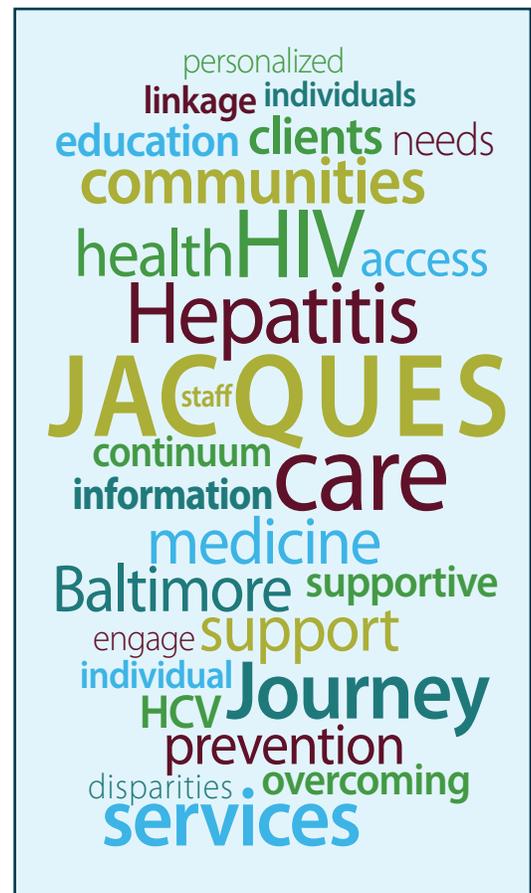
Vision: To facilitate this Journey, we collaboratively support healthcare systems by engaging and linking community members to a continuum of HIV care, HCV care and prevention resources that **allow them to live free of or live well with HIV and HCV**.

Strategy: JI’s commitment to health equity is demonstrated by a service delivery model that extends beyond institutions and hospital settings to meet individuals in their neighborhoods, homes and communities.

IHV’s **JACQUES Initiative Journey Center** comprises our new 7,300 square foot headquarters and intentionally integrates wellness and prevention into our model.

The center offers free services including:

- Walk-in HIV & Hep-C Testing
- Peer Navigation to HIV and Hep-C Prevention Services, including pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) and post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP)
- Peer Support
- Health Education
- Support Groups
- LGBTQ+ Community Events
- Youth-friendly programming
- Computer & Financial Literacy Courses
- Community Work Space
- Clothing and Goods Marketplace
- Social Events



Who We Are: A group of 30 individuals committed to seeing an end to HIV and Hepatitis C in Baltimore.

- Three generations—ages range from 25-65

- Diverse in race, gender, gender identity and sexual orientation
- Our professional identities include:
 - Nursing
 - Social Work
 - Pharmacy
 - Public Health
 - Health Care Administration
 - Data Management
 - Research
 - Community Outreach
 - Case Management
 - Coaching



Our Funders: IHV's JACQUES Initiative implements clinical and community programming with the financial support of the following funders:

- US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- US Health Resources and Services Administration
- Maryland Department of Health
- Baltimore City Health Department
- ViiV Healthcare's ACCELERATE! Initiative

IHV's JACQUES Initiative program highlights include:

- In collaboration with the AIDS Education and Training Center, educated over 3,000 health professions students (medicine, nursing, pharmacy, dentistry, and social work) through a nationally-recognized didactic and hands-on Preparing the Future interprofessional curriculum since 2011.
- For the past 4 years, JI has supported the policy, infrastructure development, and implementation of routine HIV and Hepatitis C tests in clinical settings, resulting in over 60,000 testing encounters.
- Support over 1,600 visits per month at our integrated pharmacy for daily, weekly and monthly observed antiretroviral therapy to achieve viral suppression, supporting over 1,300 individuals since 2003.
- Third largest provider of PrEP in Baltimore City.
- CDC-recognized model for Peer Navigation to HIV Prevention services.

IHV's JACQUES Initiative is the organization that houses the Journey Center, which functions in concert with our Treatment Adherence Center and Linkage to Care Center for service delivery.



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