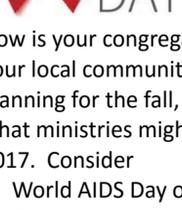




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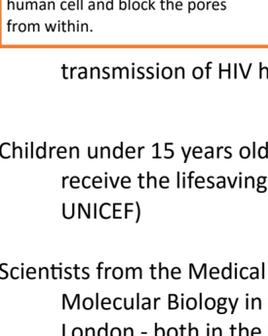
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## Fall Planning for AIDS Ministries

How is your congregation addressing the HIV and AIDS issue in your local community? With congregations launching into planning for the fall, perhaps now might be a good time to explore what ministries might be doable in the near future and into the 2017. Consider

- ◆ World AIDS Day on December 1, 2016
- ◆ Organize a panel of AIDS survivors
- ◆ Sponsor a testing site
- ◆ Take up an offering for UMGAF
- ◆ National Latino AIDS Awareness Day – October 15, 2016.

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Findings from the research could lead to future drugs that can enter human cell and block the pores from within.

## DID YOU KNOW...

UNICEF estimates that, since 2000, 30 million new infections were prevented, nearly 8 million deaths averted, and 15 million people living with HIV are now receiving treatment. In particular, UNICEF's efforts to prevent mother-to-child transmission of HIV have made significant progress.

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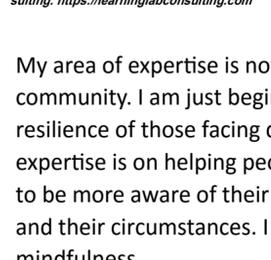
Children under 15 years old are only half as likely as adults to receive the lifesaving treatment they need. (Source: UNICEF)

Scientists from the Medical Research Council Laboratory of Molecular Biology in Cambridge and University College London - both in the United Kingdom - have uncovered key components of HIV, which they believe could lead to new approaches for drugs to fight the infection.

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The Guttmacher Institute has published information about “Sex and HIV Education in the United States” – state by state. Check out this hot-off-the-press research and discover what level of education on HIV your state provides.

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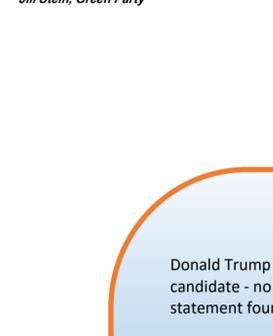
Brandi Lust, the founder of Learning Lab Consulting, <https://learninglabconsulting.com>

## Mindfulness Practice as an Intervention for the Emotional Impact of HIV or AIDS Diagnosis

By Brandi Lust

My area of expertise is not in working with the HIV and AIDS community. I am just beginning to learn both the struggles and the resilience of those facing diagnosis and treatment. My area of expertise is on helping people. Primarily, I work with those wishing to be more aware of their experiences and accepting of themselves and their circumstances. I do this through a practice called mindfulness.

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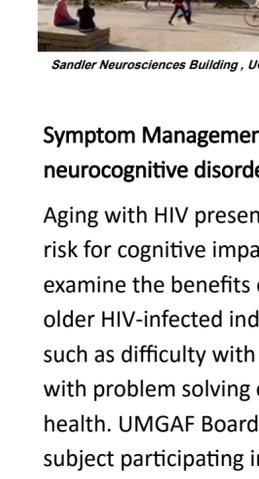
Hillary Clinton, Democratic Candidate

## U.S. Presidential Candidates and HIV

“We do have the tools to end this epidemic once and for all, but we need to rededicate ourselves to fighting HIV and AIDS and leaving no one behind “

Hillary Clinton, May 12, 2016

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Jill Stein, Green Party

All people, including those with AIDS / HIV, have a right to adequate medical care and also protection from discrimination.

We call for humane and adequate handling of ALL people with AIDS/HIV. ALL people in ALL countries, including those with AIDS/HIV, have a right to adequate medical care, protection from discrimination, and confidentiality. Government has a responsibility to protect and advance the health of the public.

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Donald Trump – Republican candidate - no official statement found

Gary Johnson – Libertarian - No specific position



Sandler Neurosciences Building, UCSF

## UMGAF BOARD MEMBER IN HIV ELDER STUDY

University of California, San Francisco (UCSF) is conducting a research study “Interventions for Symptom Management in Older Patients with HIV-associated neurocognitive disorders.”

Aging with HIV presents many challenges, including increased risk for cognitive impairment. The purpose of this study is to examine the benefits of Mindfulness Based Stress Reduction for older HIV-infected individuals experiencing cognitive symptoms such as difficulty with attention, learning or memory, or trouble with problem solving or other types of thinking and mental health. UMGAF Board Member, Dr. Douglas Smith, is a research subject participating in the study.

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“God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them.”

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