

## **PEDIATRIC HIV SERVICES**

**Children with HIV have special needs and concerns that may not apply to adults. Several HIV service providers in Los Angeles County specialize in serving children with HIV.**

In order to take care of your child, you may need to find HIV resources that are available to you and your family. In most cases, your child cannot independently access services. Your knowledge and consent will be required.

### **Are You Eligible for Pediatric HIV Services?**

Pediatric HIV services are offered to children who are 12 years old or younger. Other youth and young adults, and family members, may also be eligible for services.

### **Where Are Pediatric HIV Services Delivered?**

While many HIV service-providers in Los Angeles County deliver services to children with HIV, not all of them provide appropriate care to clients who are not adults. If you are the parent or guardian of a child with HIV, you must learn where your child can get HIV services. A case manager who is familiar with services in Los Angeles County can help you.

*Several sites in Los Angeles County specialize in pediatric medical care. These sites include:*

- > Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
- > Children's Hospital Los Angeles
- > Harbor UCLA Medical Center
- > Kaiser Permanente Hospital
- > Long Beach Memorial Miller Children Hospital
- > Los Angeles County-University of Southern California (USC) Medical Center
- > Martin Luther King Jr. Drew Medical Center
- > University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA)

### **What Other Services Are Available?**

As a parent or guardian of a child with HIV, you must understand and advocate for your own needs as well as the needs of your child.

Many service-providers in Los Angeles provide support for people in your situation. In order for you to care for your child, you should know where to go for help for yourself, or for the siblings or other family members of a child with HIV.

A case manager who is familiar with services in Los Angeles County can help you.

Visit [www.hivla.org](http://www.hivla.org) for the most up-to-date Pediatric HIV Services listings.

**If pediatric services are not delivered appropriately, please contact OAPP's warmline @ (800) 260-8787.**