



**Region 1 February 2018 Update Submitted by Penny DeNoble**

The NORAPC Administrative Agency expressed the desire to have Test and Treat at all local Ryan White provider agencies. New Orleans was the first southern city to implement the Test and Treat program: The model was adopted from San Francisco's Test and Treat model. To this point, the rate of achieving viral suppression has been very impressive.

The Comprehensive Planning Committee continued its work updating the service standards. The Committee sent the updated Emergency Financial Assistance Service Standard to the Executive Committee for approval. The motion was passed by the Executive Committee. The Committee began work on the Housing Service Standard and has plans to begin working on the Other Professional Services Standard in the near future. The Committee Chair, in collaboration with the Planning Council chair and ad hoc Medical Policy Advisory Committee, brought a motion to the Executive Committee to add Tamiflu to the formulary. The motion was passed by the Executive Committee.

Community Coalition continued its work solidifying a calendar of topics and speakers for Planning Council meetings to raise awareness about non-HIV specific services and related health concerns.