HIV: The Basics and You

In reviewing the basic elements of HIV/AIDS we will seek to understand how the disease relates to us in or respective professions. We will also examine the stigma, ignorance, and fear of the disease, including our own presuppositions. In turn, we will then seek to understand the connection between these factors and HIV prevention and care. We will also learn ways in which to identify helpful and credible resources.

Earn 3.3 Social Work CEUs.

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Objectives of course:

- To have a basic knowledge of the history of HIV/AIDS
- To know the ways in which the virus can be transmitted
- To understand the life cycle of the virus
- To have an understanding of the stigma attached to HIV/AIDS and its impact on the disease.
- To be able to identify their presuppositions about HIV/AIDS.
- To have an extensive understanding of how to prevent the spread or transmission of HIV/AIDS and how to teach others about prevention.
- To know how HIV/AIDS is medically treated and be able to speak to what that treatment generally looks like in a compliant/adherent patient.
- To know the role of the social worker in the treatment and care of persons living with HIV/AIDS, as well as the importance of this role.
- To be able to identify helpful and credible HIV/AIDS resources.