

World AIDS Day December 1, 2009

December 1, 2009 is World AIDS Day. President Obama, in a [presidential proclamation](#), stated that “our Nation joins the world in celebrating the extraordinary advancements we have made in the battle against HIV and Aids, and remembering those we have lost”.

The federal government has a number of useful sites which provide accurate health information, guidance to people living with HIV, and promote AIDS and HIV awareness. The main site: [Aids.gov](#) is the main portal to U.S. government AIDS/HIV information. There is a section focusing on [World Aids Day](#)

Medline Plus is a reliable source of health information online. It is a service of the U.S. National Library of Medicine and the National Institutes of Health. Here is the [encyclopedia entry](#) for AIDS.

Authoritative HIV/AIDS treatment and research information from the US federal government can be found here at [AIDS Info](#).

The [official site for World AIDS Day](#) is largely focused on the United Kingdom. There are some interesting stories to read about people who deal with AIDs in their lives.

World Aids Day Webchat



Where: <https://statedept.connectsolutions.com/worldaidsday>
When: **Tuesday, December 1 from 8:30 am to 9:30 am (EST)**
(Wednesday, December 2 from 2:30 am to 3:30 am NZ time)

Join audiences from around the world in a personal question and answer session about HIV/AIDS with Ambassador Eric Goosby. You can read about his efforts in this article: [U.S. PEPFAR Program Helps Millions with AIDS in Africa](#)

Ambassador Eric Goosby serves as the United States Global AIDS Coordinator, leading all U.S. Government international HIV/AIDS efforts. In this role, Ambassador Goosby oversees implementation of the U.S. President’s Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR), as well as U.S. Government engagement with the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria.

PEPFAR is the largest commitment ever by a single nation toward an international health initiative — a comprehensive approach to combating HIV/AIDS around the world. PEPFAR employs the most diverse prevention, treatment and care strategy in the world, with an emphasis on transparency and accountability for results. The goals of PEPFAR include support for treatment for 2 million HIV infected people, support for prevention of 7 million new infections, and support for care for 10 million people infected or affected by HIV/AIDS.

On December 1st, the Ambassador will be happy to respond to your questions in this webchat. Simply cut and past the following URL in your browser <https://statedept.connectsolutions.com/worldaidsday/>. Then log on as a guest. Also feel free to log into the webchat in advance and post your questions.