

ATN 167: Legal, Economic, and Affirming Peer Support for Trans Youth (LEAP) Summary

Study Description

Transgender, nonbinary and gender diverse youth of color face both racism and transphobia and are disproportionately impacted by the HIV epidemic.

LEAP is a program that includes:



Direct linkage to lawyers to address health harming legal needs, such as legal name change, advanced planning, landlord-tenant disputes, and discrimination in the workplace and/or school



Microeconomic strategies with \$200 to help with immediate needs of economic assistance, a \$800 unconditional contribution to support long term goals, **mentoring, and group workshops**



Gender affirming individual peer support sessions focused on professional goals and health and well-being.

LEAP partners with youth, national gender diverse-led organizations, and local community organizations. LEAP is designed to meet the most pressing needs of gender diverse youth of color. **In ATN 167, we aim to learn whether the program improves HIV prevention and care outcomes**, and how this program could be provided across the country.

Why is this study important?

This research is important because transgender, nonbinary, and gender diverse youth of color face high rates of HIV, and we hope that **LEAP will directly address some of the social, legal, and economic drivers of HIV.**

Who can participate?

- Ages 15-24
- Transgender, nonbinary, and gender diverse people of color

HIV Status

Participants living with or without HIV

ClinicalTrials.gov Information

Coming soon!