

iTech Site Update











Houston, TX

iTech is an innovative technology project of the Adolescent Medicine Trials Network (ATN) conducted across 12 sites in the US.

iTech aims to impact the HIV epidemic by developing and evaluating tech-based interventions across the HIV prevention and care continuum among youth.

Click on the logos to learn more about each research study.



Study Description	Total # of Sites	Proportion of All Participants
 <p>Get Connected is a WebApp that provides tailored content to motivate HIV/STI testing and link youth to high-performing HIV/STI prevention and testing services.</p>	3	 <p>15% of 285</p>
 <p>TechStep is a tech-based intervention for trans youth that uses a tailored WebApp and e-coaching to motivate HIV risk reduction, like taking PrEP.</p>	5	 <p>21% of 254</p>
 <p>COMPARE is looking for differences between two HIV prevention apps. Each app's components will be combined into a composite for public dissemination.</p>	9	 <p>11% of 381</p>
 <p>YouTHrive is an adapted version of the "Thrive With Me" intervention to support youth living with HIV by providing peer support, resources, and self-monitoring.</p>	7	 <p>28% of 208</p>
 <p>P3 is a mobile app that uses game mechanics and social networking features to increase PrEP use among young men and trans women who have sex with men.</p>	9	 <p>13% of 246</p>

iTech Research Study Participants in Houston, TX



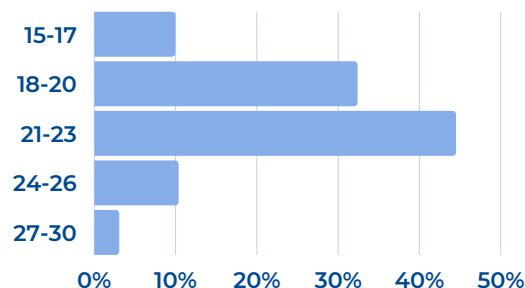
Background

Researchers at Baylor College of Medicine recruited individuals in the Houston area for iTech's randomized controlled trials from 2019 to 2021.

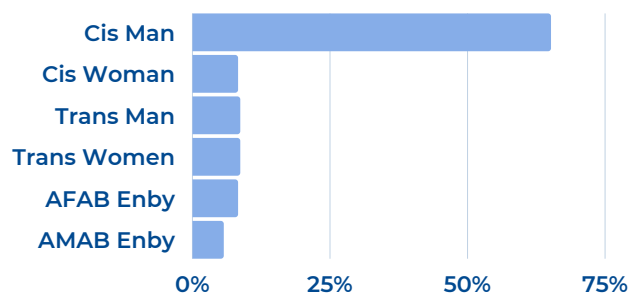
Individuals were recruited using a variety of online and in-person strategies, including social media ads, outreach events, and collaborations with community partners.

The following charts describe basic characteristics of 232 participants in iTech studies at this research site.

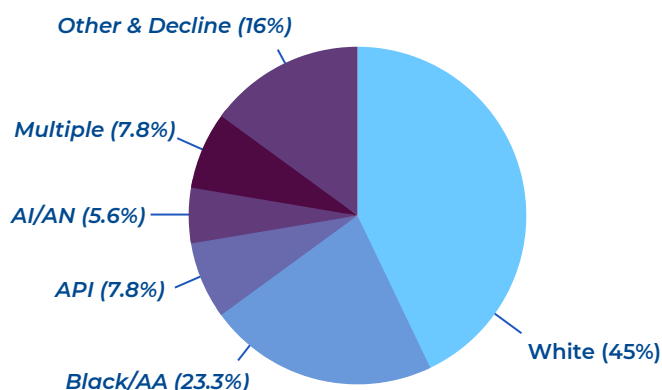
Age (%)



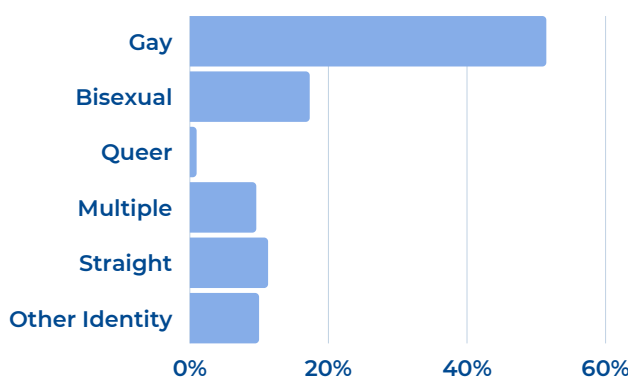
Gender Identity (%)**



Racial Identity (%)*



Sexual Identity (%)***



41% of participants identified as Latino/a/x

*AA (African-American), API (Asian & Pacific Islander), AI/AN (American Indian & Alaskan Native)

**AFAB (Assigned Female At-Birth), AMAB (Assigned Male At-Birth), Enby (phonetic pronunciation of "non-binary")

** "Other Identity" category includes pansexual, same gender loving, and decline to answer