OBTAINING FUNDING

Develop a Reimbursement and Sustainability Plan

Sustainability refers to the ability to maintain programming and its benefits over time. A resource for building capacity for sustainability is the Program Sustainability and Assessment Tool developed by the Center for Public Health Systems Science at the Brown School, Washington University in St. Louis (sustaintool.org/psat). This tool helps program planners achieve the following:

1) Understand factors that influence a program's capacity for sustainability
2) Assess the program's capacity for sustainability
3) Review results from the assessment
4) Plan to increase likelihood of sustainability by developing an action plan

Action Plan

Achieving sustainability typically involves both applying for grants and accessing available reimbursement options.

- Private insurance and Medicaid in some states may cover Y2TEC services.
- Using Medicaid Behavioral Health carve-out is a possible option.
- To offset costs, some AIDS Drugs Assistance Programs (ADAPs) will pay for private insurance plans for clients.
- RWHAP-funded organizations may receive technical assistance on health coverage options from the Access, Care, and Engagement Technical Assistance (ACE TA) Center (targethiv.org/ace).