Unit 1

Welcome to the HVTN

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| OverviewThe purpose of this unit is to provide trainees an introduction to the HVTN as a research coordinating center, and to familiarize them with the Community Engagement Unit.ObjectivesBy the end of the unit trainees will:* Be familiar with the types of collaborators that make up the HVTN
* Understand the role of the Community Engagement Unit
* Understand why community engagement is essential for the successful conduct of clinical trials

Materials* *HVTN&CEUOverview\_June2022.ppt*
* *An HIV vaccine (brochure) – 1 copy per trainee*

Approximate time (40 minutes) |

# Warm-up/Introduction (5 minutes)

## Preparation

**Step 1:** Ask trainees if they are familiar with any HIV clinical research networks in the area. Go around the room and have trainees describe any research networks they know already. Ask if anyone has heard of the HVTN. If they have, ask them to explain what they know. Tell them you hope to add to their knowledge. If no one knows, explain that the following presentation will give them some background.

# Presentation of Information (35 minutes)

## Preparation

* *HVTN&CEUOverview\_June2022.ppt*
* *An HIV vaccine (brochure)*

## Procedure

**Step 1:** Go over PowerPoint presentation and read speaker’s notes. Stop for questions as they come up. If there are questions you cannot answer, write them on a sheet of flip chart paper and contact someone at HVTN Core to help provide answers.

**Step 2:** Distribute a copy of the “*An HIV vaccine*” brochure to each trainee and let them know that these resources are available from the HVTN for greater distribution.

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| Additional resources* To learn more about the HVTN visit [www.hvtn.org](http://www.hvtn.org)
* To learn more about the different HIV research networks funded by the US government visit [www.niaid.nih.gov/topics/hivaids/Pages/Default.aspx](file:///C%3A/Users/gmeyer/AppData/Local/Microsoft/Windows/Temporary%20Internet%20Files/Content.Outlook/L3XJEJK3/www.niaid.nih.gov/topics/hivaids/Pages/Default.aspx)
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