

New HIV/AIDS Bill Proposes Changes to PEPFAR

US Congresswoman Barbara Lee (D-CA) has proposed a bill that would require all HIV programs funded by the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) to address the rapid spread of infection among women and young people. This legislation, titled the PATHWAY Act of 2006, also removes earmarks in the current law requiring 33 percent of funding to go toward "abstinence-until-marriage" programs. Previously this month, a Government Accountability Office (GAO) report confirmed that current PEPFAR funding restrictions undermine efforts to prevent the most HIV infections. [Read more...](#)