

***Impact of Gender: Gay Lesbian,
Bi-sexual Transgender, Two-Spirit***

***HIV and Minorities:
Cultural Competence and the
Quality of Care***

***National Minority AIDS Education
And Training Center
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Public Health Planning



Distribution of Reported AIDS Cases, All Ages, by Race/Ethnicity,

United States

	Percent
White	29.1%
Black	48.4%
Hispanic	20.3%
Asian/Pacific Islander	1.1%
American Indian	0.4%
Unknown Race or Multiple Races	0.7%

Distribution of Reported AIDS Cases, All Ages by Sex, Cumulative

United States

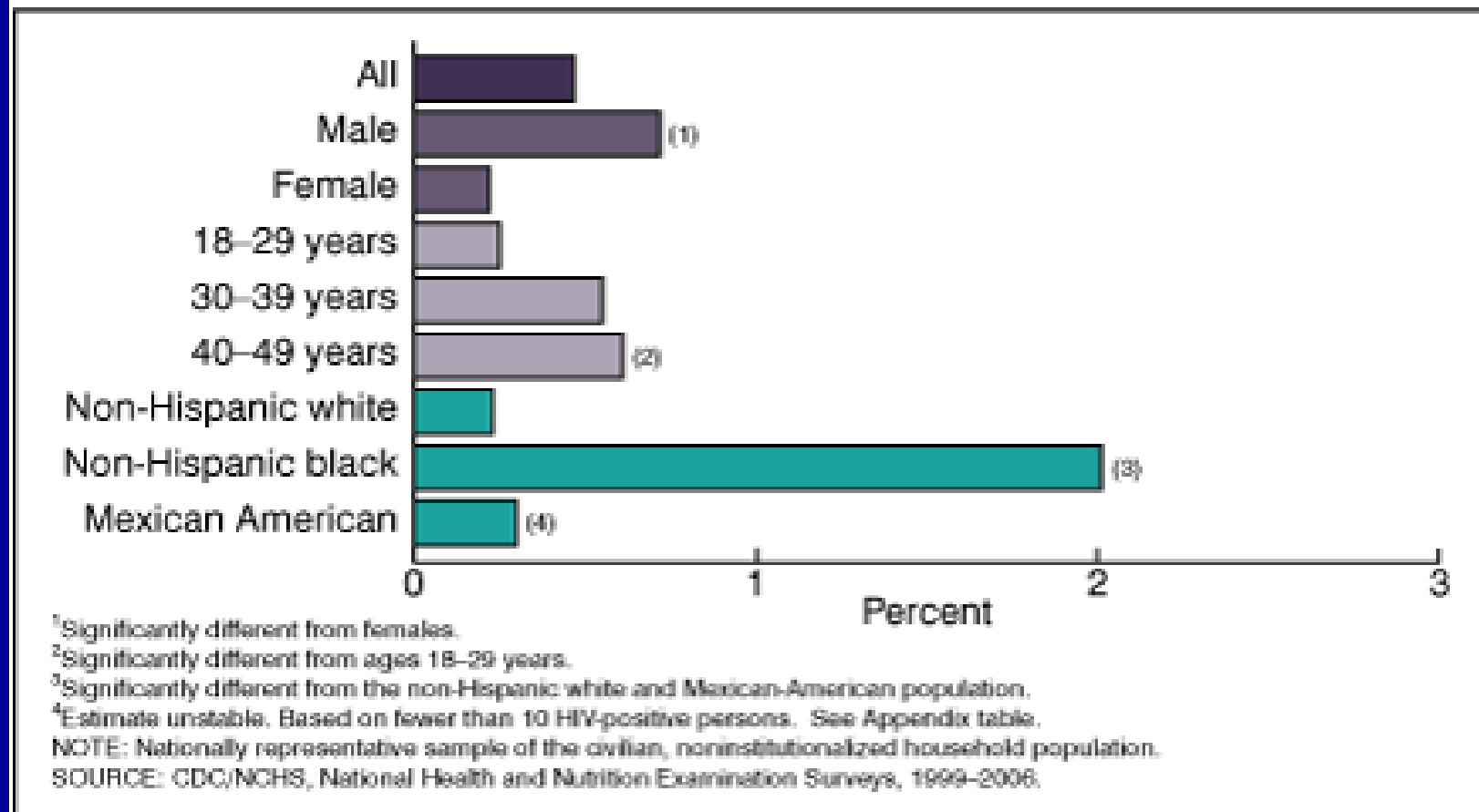
Percent

Male	80.5%
Female	19.5%

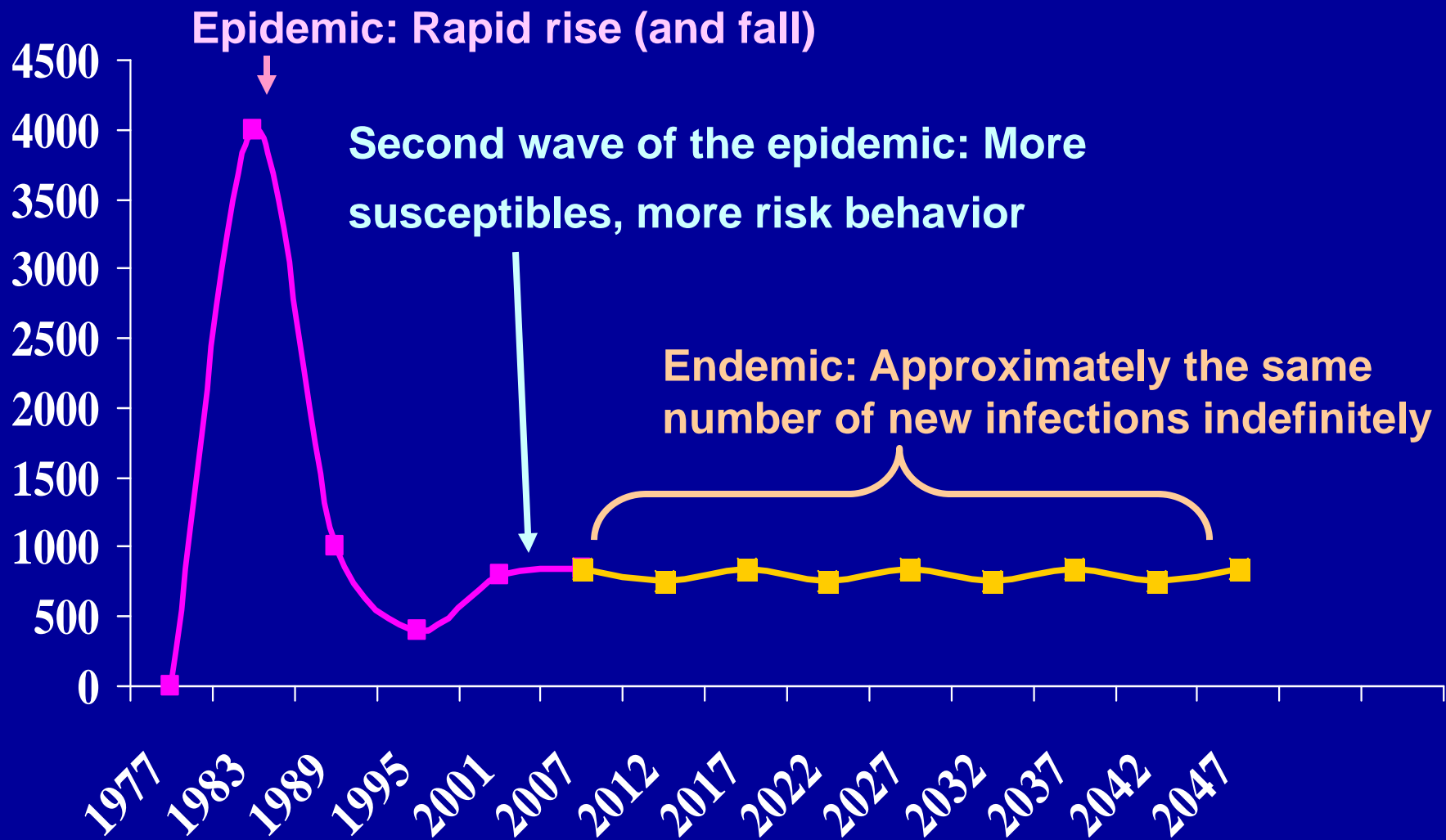
California

Male	91.5%
Female	8.5%

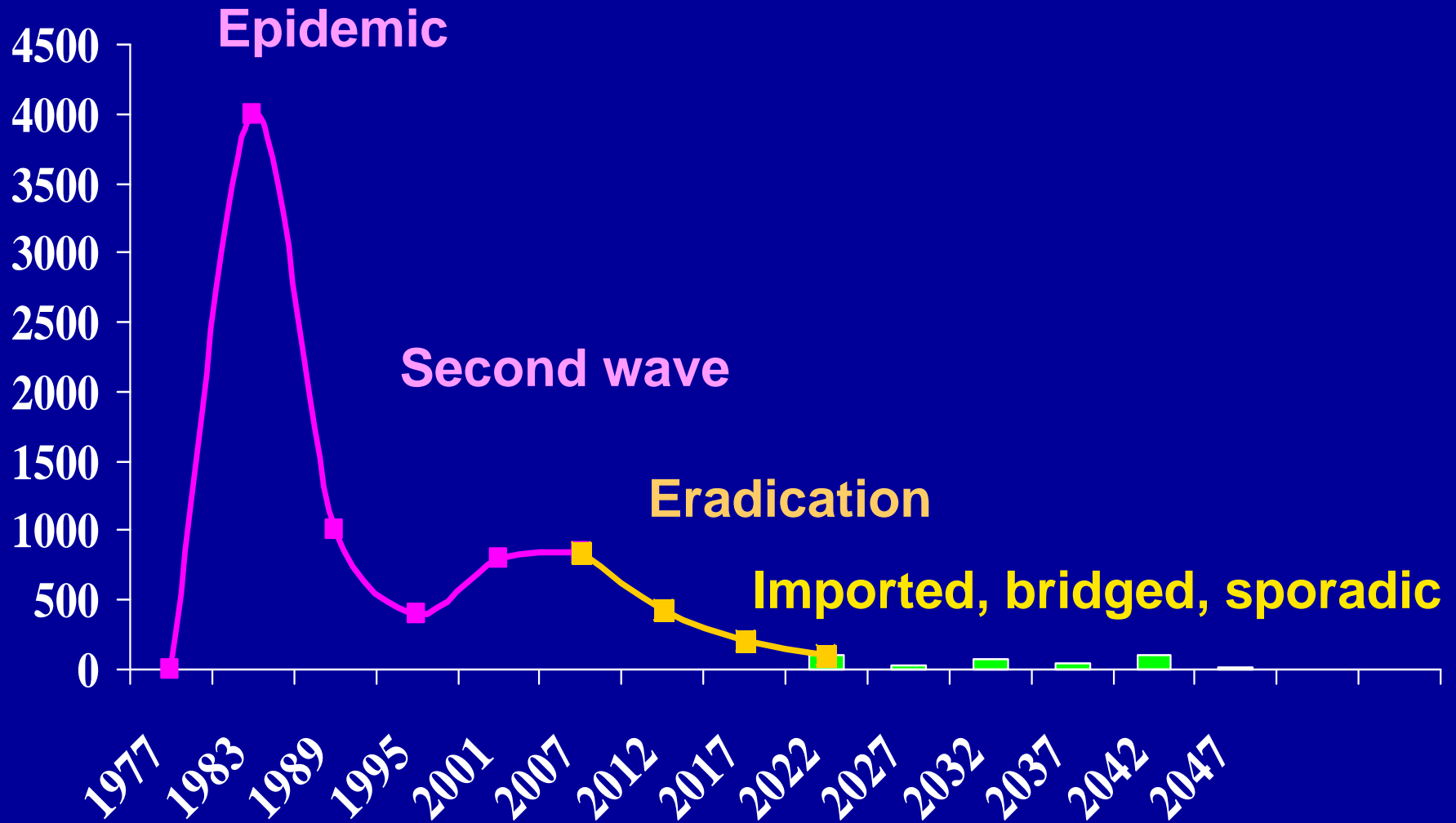
Figure 1. Prevalence of HIV infection among adults by age, sex, and race/ethnicity: United States, 1999–2006



Endemic fear

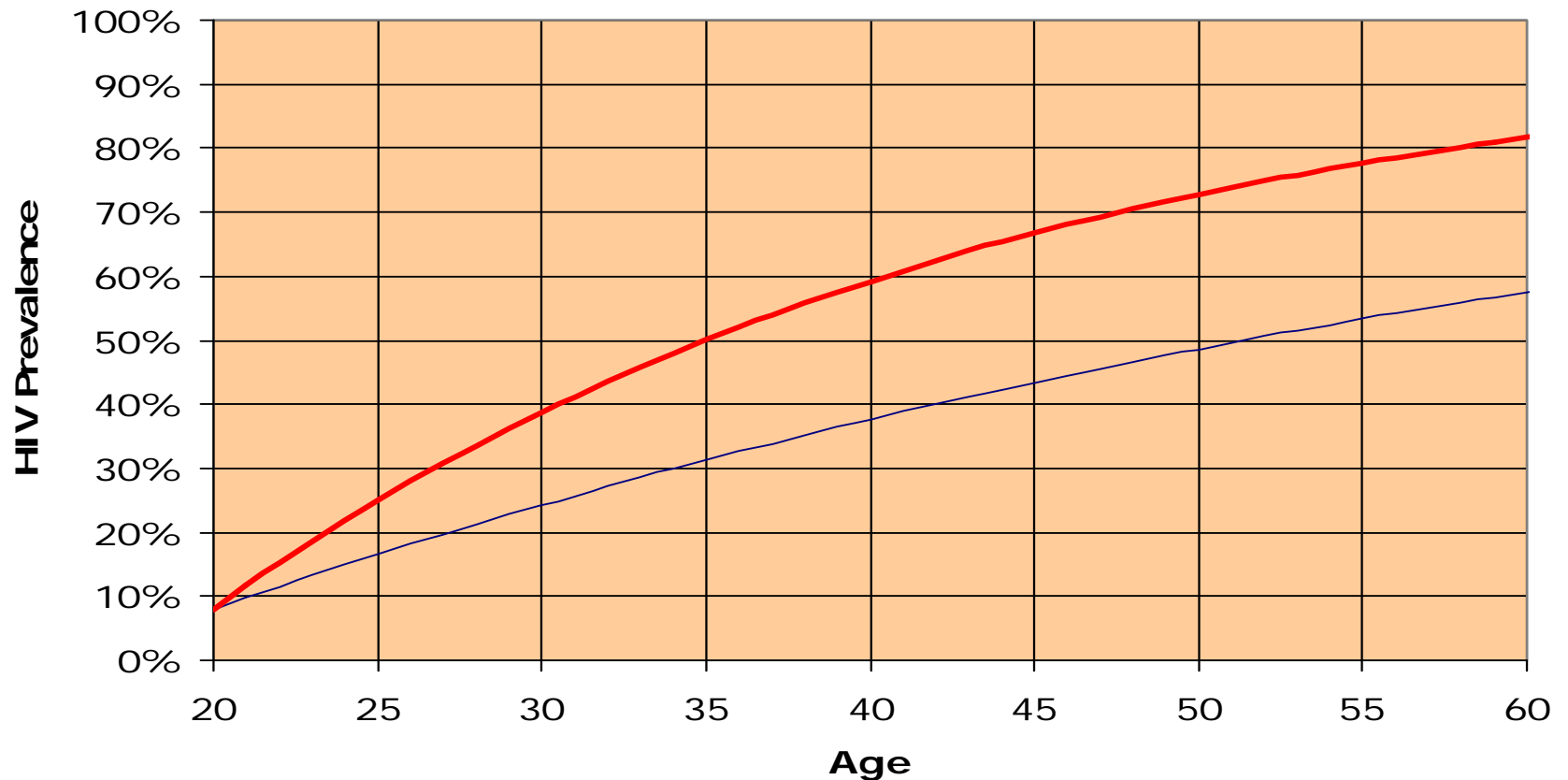


It doesn't have to be that way



African-American 20 year-old MSM Cohort: HIV Incidence 4.0%

Age-Specific HIV Prevalence



Patients with unfavorable psychosocial profiles were less likely to be on ART, perhaps attributable to providers' or patients' expectations of readiness.

Racial disparities in ART discontinuation and virologic failure merit further attention.

**Cannot
Access
Health Care
System**



**Public
Health
System**



**Do Not Want
the
Services
of the
Public Health
System**

Prop 63 - MHSA

- **\$733 MILLION DOLLARS IN 2007-8**
(Governor cut 55 million 2008)
- **Mental Health Recovery Model**
- **Demonstrated improvement in client outcomes.**
- **Outreach and engagement activities**
- **Housing as mental health**
- **Workforce education and training**

WHAT YOU DO - - MATTERS !

We have only three choices

1. Lead

2. Follow

3. Get out of the way !!

Evidence-Based Public Health

The process of integrating science-based interventions with community preference to improve the health of that population.

Neal D. Kohatsu, M.D.,
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The San Francisco Model



Rules are defined by others and focus on punishment, but the purpose treatment is to free the individual to make choices from his or her “best” psychological and emotional center while still respecting society.

Luigi Zoja
Ethics and Analysis

WHAT DIFFERENCE ARE WE MAKING

- **Measuring results – not activities.**
- **Are we having the impact we want to have?**
- **What other impacts are we having?**
 - **Increase in coke use**
 - **Increase in stigma: decrease in reporting**

MEN'S HEALTH

- Men are three times less likely than women to visit a doctor. African American men and Latino men are less likely than White men to visit a doctor, even when they are in poor health.

**OUT OF TOUCH:
AMERICAN MEN AND THE
HEALTH CARE SYSTEM**

David Sandman
The Commonwealth Fund

Mental Health, HIV and Communities of Color

- **HIV/AIDS in the United States**

- African-Americans accounted for 49 % of all HIV/AIDS cases diagnosed in 2005.**

- **In CA 77.4% of therapist are white (44 gen pop)**

- **a statewide strategy to reduce health disparities?**

- » Types of stressors confronted and the types reported to providers
 - » What symptoms or concerns are brought forward
 - » economic opportunity as a mental health issue,
 - » Culturally and linguistically appropriate treatment and services.
 - » A sustainable, reliable and competent system

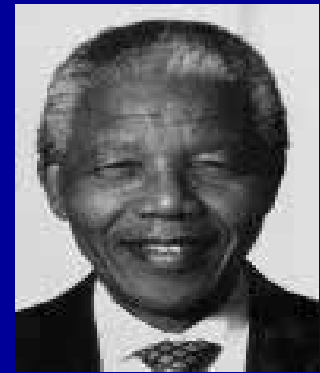
Mental Health, HIV and Women

- **Sexism**
 - One tradition = “its all in your mind”
 - Another Tradition = myth of strong maternal woman
- **Access to appropriate care**
- In California, African American women have the shortest life expectancy among women of all racial and ethnic groups in the state.

Recent research indicates that mental health plays a role in these health disparities in California--and across the nation. But while many black women know and discuss the threats to their physical health, when it comes to mental health, there's silence and inaction.

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According to
President
Mandela...



“Heroes”

***are the people who work everyday to
improve the lives of others and address
social injustices wherever those
injustices occur.***