

Florida Health Grand Rounds Presents

Research Excellence Initiative (REI)

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Emma Spencer's Presentation

Understanding HIV-1 Antiretroviral (ARV) drug resistance in Florida's population is essential for the development of local and statewide treatment and prevention programs. Determining baseline drug resistance using nucleotide genotyping on treatment-naïve patients is recommended to ascertain appropriate therapies to use in the presence of ARV resistance. Research findings from this study will be presented.

Mwedusasa Mtenga's Presentation

Data captured through a health department administered health assessment were used to determine the health status of refugees upon arrival in Florida from 2013-15. Research findings from this assessment will be presented.

Research Excellence Initiative

The *Research Excellence Initiative* is a year-long education and development program for Department professionals who are interested in research design, conducting research, and presenting findings.