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## **National HIV Non-Profit Moving Into “Real World” House** *HealthHIV Makes DC Landmark its “Health Home”*

WASHINGTON, DC – HealthHIV, one of the nation's largest HIV non-profit organizations, is moving into the house previously occupied by MTV during the filming of “Real World DC.” The organization's 20 person staff is leasing the historic, DuPont Circle property which played host to the cast and crew of the 23<sup>rd</sup> season of MTV's reality show.

“It is a highly recognizable location that allows us to raise public awareness of HIV in Washington and nationwide,” said HealthHIV Executive Director Brian Hujdich. “As a non-profit, our move made sense since we have a favorable lease which allows us to repurpose materials from the ‘Real World DC’ and use the space as not only an office, but as a community center and a modest studio for taping web-based trainings.”

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), an estimated 1.1 million persons in the United States are living with HIV, with the most recent report estimating 56,300 new infections annually. Washington, DC has the highest rate of HIV in the U.S., with at least 15,120 people, or three percent of area residents, living with HIV.

“As the ‘Real World DC’ ends, the real work of addressing HIV prevention, care and treatment continues,” said Hujdich. “From our new home, we will work to develop ‘medical’ or ‘health homes’ for people living with HIV as this chronic disease continues to move into primary care settings.”

To learn more about HealthHIV and to see photos of the organization's new offices, visit [www.healthhiv.org](http://www.healthhiv.org).

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*HealthHIV is the premier, national non-profit working with organizations, communities and professionals to advance effective prevention, care, and support for people living with, or at risk for, HIV through education and training, technical assistance and capacity building, advocacy, and health services research and evaluation. HealthHIV supports primary care providers treating HIV, as well as community and faith-based organizations involved in HIV prevention, care and treatment.*