

# HIV and AIDS

*HIV: Human Immuno  
Deficiency Virus  
AIDS: Acquired Immune  
Deficiency Syndrome*



**MYTH:**  
*There is no HIV  
infection in the  
North Country.*

## **FACT:**

*The AIDS Task Force of Central New York, reported 154  
diagnosed cases of AIDS as of September 30, 1996:*

<i>COUNTY</i>	<i>PWAs</i>
<i>St. Lawrence</i>	<i>23</i>
<i>Franklin</i>	<i>14</i>
<i>Jefferson</i>	<i>38</i>
<i>Lewis</i>	<i>7</i>
<i>Clinton</i>	<i>31</i>
<i>Essex</i>	<i>41</i>

*In St. Lawrence County during the past six months, 28  
people have tested HIV+, 30% of whom are women.*