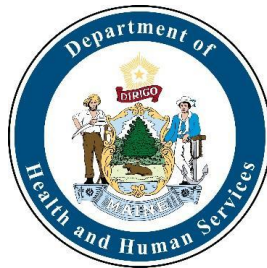


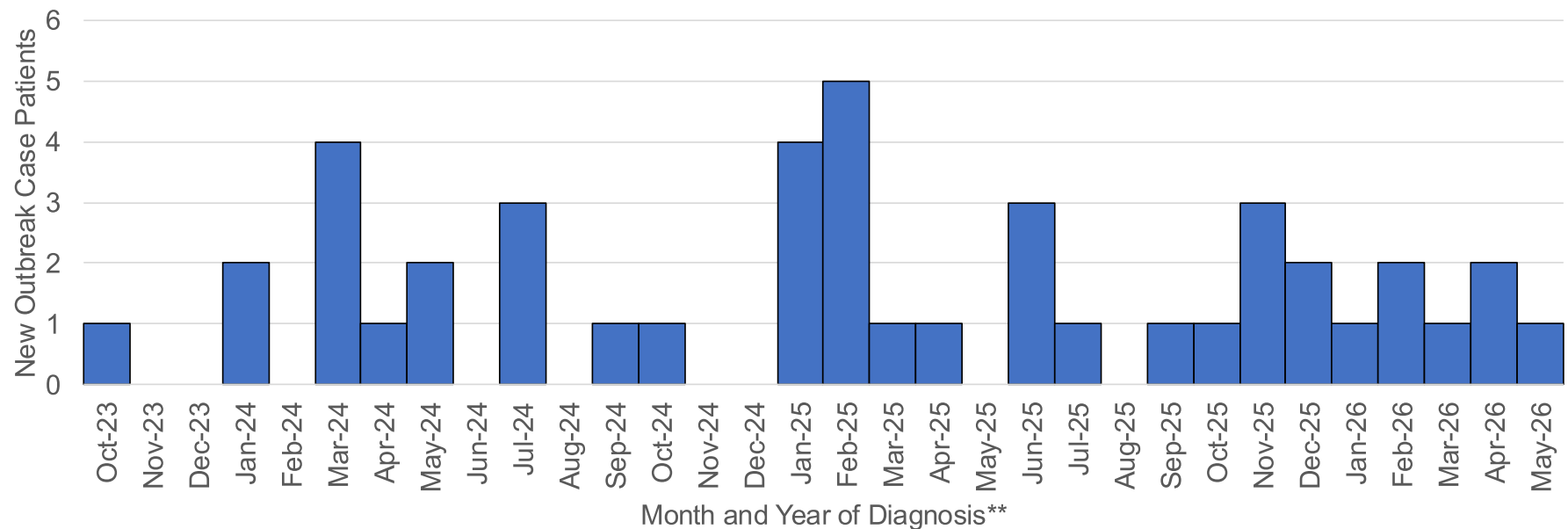
# HIV-HCV Outbreak Response Statewide Coordinating Council

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# HIV Outbreak Epi Curve (N=44)

**Penobscot County HIV Outbreak Cases by Month  
October 1, 2023-May 29, 2026**



\*\*HIV diagnosis date is the specimen collection date for the case patient's first positive test.

Data are preliminary as of 5/29/2026 and subject to change  
Maine Department of Health and Human Services

# Maine CDC Response Strategy Areas

## Earlier Diagnosis

- Distribute self test kits
- Increase POC testing
- Increase capacity for confirmatory testing via phlebotomy support

## Prevent New Diagnoses

- Low barrier LAI PrEP
- Expand delivery services
- Support access to testing among contacts of case-patients

## Increase Treatment and Retention

- Low barrier treatment
- Support from New England AIDS Education and Training Center (NEAETC)
- Long-acting injectable (LAI) treatment

## Provide Education

- Improve workforce capacity
- Public awareness communication campaign

# Thank You

