

Community AIDS Treatment Information Exchange Researcements side

Making a difference through information

#### ₩ Who We Are

The Community AIDS Treatment Information Exchange is a national, non-profit organization committed to improving the health and quality of life of all Canadians living with HIV/AIDS.

CATIE provides treatment information not only for people living with the virus but also for their families and care providers. It does so through a comprehensive Web site, two electronic mailing lists, various print publications and a bilingual, toll-free phone service.

By providing the latest and most complete information available, CATIE staff enable people with HIV/AIDS to become actively involved in developing strategies to optimize their health care. The slogan Making a Difference Through Information is a credo we live by.

### **% Phone Service** 1-800-263-1638

"My viral load is going up. Should I change treatments?"

That's a question that CATIE's treatment information agents answer often. Highly trained and readily available, CATIE staff offer a confidential service in English or French to all Canadians.

Backed by an extensive on-site resource centre, CATIE's treatment information representatives can provide you with information on medications, nutrition, complementary therapies and medical conditions. They will also direct you to AIDS service organizations closest to where you live.

We're here to help you get to know your treatment options. Call us. Your call is free and confidential.

# \*World Wide Web http://www.catie.ca

Each month, CATIE's award-winning Web site gives an average 10,000 visitors entry to a growing library of treatment and referral information.

In English or French, you can read and download CATIE publications and access information on clinical trials. You can also view the CATIE-News page for the latest in treatment and research and link to HIV/AIDS sites around the world.

Are you interested in learning more about antiretrovirals or other topics? You can do that too on our searchable database. We also encourage you to participate in our online discussions, which you can do by clicking on Talking Treatment on the main menu.

### **% Electronic Mailing Lists**

Two of CATIE's services, Journal-Scan and CATIE-News, are sent directly to the e-mail address of anyone who subscribes.

Journal-Scan sends weekly abstracts of recently published scientific papers related to HIV/AIDS. CATIE-News delivers reports on the latest advances in HIV/AIDS treatment and research, covering both conventional and complementary therapies.

To subscribe, send an e-mail to maiser@catie.ca containing only the words "subscribe catie-news" or "subscribe journal-scan" (without the quotation marks or your e-mail signature).

#### **%Innovations By Fax**

Innovations in HIV/AIDS Treatment is a service designed specifically for health-care professionals who are interested in HIV/AIDS. It saves subscribers time by providing abstracts from peer-reviewed journals that cover topics relevant to their fields.

Each month, CATIE's writers and researchers review 18 leading scientific journals, pulling articles relating to HIV/AIDS. Subscribers then receive a menu of titles of selected articles by fax. From the menu, subscribers select the titles for which they want abstracts and call in their order. We currently send abstracts by fax but plan to offer e-mail delivery soon.

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CATIE publications are read and respected around the world. They cover a wide range of topics to help people living with HIV make informed decisions and they're meant to be shared.

With few restrictions, CATIE encourages people to reproduce and distribute its materials for non-commercial purposes. Call us for more information or visit http://www.catie.ca/permiss.html.

You can also get on the mailing list to receive our quarterly newsletter, *InfoCATIE*, and ten annual issues of *TreatmentUpdate*, a journal covering the most current developments in HIV/AIDS research and treatment.

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For basic information on conditions, symptoms, side effects and other treatment issues, we have fact sheets on dozens of topics. For detailed information on complementary therapies and nutrition, CATIE has produced a series of practical guides.

Our most comprehensive publication, Managing Your Health, is a 296-page guide that focuses on treatment but covers social, legal and health-related issues as well. The 1999 edition is available now. All of CATIE's publications can be ordered by phone, fax and e-mail or downloaded from our Web site. For more information, call and ask for our publications order form or speak to a treatment information agent at extension 291.

## % Partnership and Collaboration

CATIE works at sharing its resources and expertise with other AIDS organizations, whether local, regional or national. For example, in the same way that staff provide treatment information over the phone and through publications, we can present such information in person at workshops and conferences hosted by other groups.

We can do the same with health-care providers who work with people with HIV/AIDS. Our objective is to get the latest in treatment information to every Canadian who needs it. Please call us for more information.



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