

# **Comprehensive System Dynamics (SD) Model of the HIV Care Continuum**

## **Overview Manual**

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## Introduction to the HIV Care Continuum System Dynamics (SD) Model

Available effective ways to prevent and treat HIV have created the possibility of eliminating the epidemic. This requires focused and coordinated community efforts to prevent new infections, test people who may become infected, and provide medical care and ongoing social supports to all people living with HIV (PLWH) so they can quickly achieve viral suppression (VS) and maintain it throughout their lifetimes. Many communities have broad goals to eliminate health disparities and the HIV epidemic altogether. Yet in most of them, healthcare and support services for people at risk or PLWH are fragmented, limited, and uncoordinated. Stakeholders in these efforts seek greater understanding of the complex healthcare delivery system so they can improve the effectiveness of their care efforts. Collaborative and participatory system dynamics modeling allows stakeholders to engage in a systems thinking process to ask critical questions about how a system like healthcare delivery works and, with the aid of computer tools, they can simulate complex systems-level problems and potential alternative solutions.

This booklet describes a system dynamics (SD) simulation model of the HIV Care Continuum (CC) system in one geographic region (referred to as the “catchment area”). It is designed to help community members understand how system feedback, delays, and other dynamics and complexity of the system’s structure affect how well the HIV CC delivery system functions to achieve the health goals of preventing HIV and caring for those infected and affected.

This SD simulation model can be used to learn about the dynamics of an HIV CC system by using the “base case scenario run” to simulate system results. Model users can also test different “hypotheses” or “what-if scenarios” to see which combination of resources and actions generate the best improvements to the system. The “base case scenario” was designed to reproduce the epidemic in the initially selected catchment area, namely, the Hartford TGA (Transitional Grant Area), a HRSA-designated Ryan White (RW) funding area that includes Hartford County, Middlesex County, and Tolland County in Connecticut. We used 2015, 2016, and 2017 epidemiological and RW service utilization data to establish the trends in the base case scenario. The model projects a 5-year time horizon into the future in simulating system dynamics over time. This model can also be tailored to other communities’ epidemics and local services to better understand the challenges and opportunities to improve the HIV CC system in their region. This model is not designed to predict the future, but can simulate potential results of various strategies intended to achieve better health related outcomes to care for all PLWH and eliminate the HIV epidemic.

To build this SD model of the HIV CC system, our research team collaborated with a coalition of 25 community stakeholders called the **HIV System Dynamics Modeling Task Force**. The Task Force included doctors, nurses, and support staff from community clinics, directors, front line case managers and outreach workers from HIV/AIDS service organizations, consumers (PLWH), community advocates and activists, and representatives of the Hartford and CT departments of health. Using SD “group model building,” we conducted a series of 16 systems modeling workshops over an 18-month period (Jan. 2017 – July 2018) to diagram and simulate the regional HIV CC system. The goals of these sessions were to engage all members of the Task Force in critiquing their HIV CC system and to build their capacity to use SD modeling language and techniques so they could help design and validate the SD simulation model. More information about the process of building this SD simulation model can be found in the publically available publication at <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/29154393/>.

This SD simulation model has 9 “modules” that contain one or more models. However, all modules are connected to each other in various ways, which make up the full model of the HIV CC system. We have created the modules to help organize and group the different types of services and community actions that link to and affect the central HIV care continuum.

The **9 modules** in the full SD simulation model include the following:

**The central module:**

1. **HIV Infection and Treatment as Prevention** (including “the treatment cascade”),

**4 “Basic Services” modules:**

2. **HIV Testing and Prevention Services**
  3. **Medical Care Services for PLWH**
  4. **Ryan White Case Management Services**
  5. **Housing, Substance Use Treatment, and Mental Health Services for PLWH**
- 4 “Action Strategies” modules:**
6. **Peer Outreach to Promote HIV Testing**
  7. **Peer Advocacy to Support PLWH**
  8. **Expanded HIV Testing and Comprehensive Sexual Health Screening in Primary Care**
  9. **Mobilizing Community Leaders and Organizational Partnerships to Support PLWH**

The “Action Strategies” are designed to improve delivery and effectiveness of the “Basic Services.” Similarly, the “Basic Services” are designed to improve the effectiveness of the central HIV Care Continuum and reduce community-level viral load (CVL).

### **Organization of This Manual**

The next page provides a “cheat sheet” with a quick overview of some key terms and explanations of common images used in SD modeling. This will help prepare the reader to be able to understand the images and diagrams presented in the chapters below.

Following that, each chapter presents one of the 9 modules, beginning with the “landing page” of the full simulation model and highlighting the module to be presented. We start with the central HIV Infection and Treatment as Prevention module. Chapters are organized to provide four kinds of information on each of the modules, organized as follows:

1. **Causal Loop Diagram (CLD):** This is a conceptual diagram of the key “variables” in the module and how those variables relate to each other to form “feedback loops.”
2. **Stock/Flow Model(s)** (some modules contain more than one stock/flow model): These are images of the simulation model structure that includes all variables built into the models. The SD stock/flow models are used to simulate the different “simulation runs.”
3. **Key Modifiable Variables Table:** These tables list the variables in the stock/flow model that can be changed (indicated with green in the color stock/flow models) in order to run different “what-if” simulations to test various strategies or service conditions expected to improve the system outputs or to tailor the model to a different local community.
4. **Base Case Run Output Graphs:** Results of the simulation runs are represented in “graphs over time” of key variables from the stock/flow model. Graphs show changes in trends in that variable created by different scenarios or conditions. The base case run output graphs show results of the simulation model “as is,” without changing any modifiable variables.

The SD model also has a “*user interface*” to facilitate use of the model as a tool for community decision making. Several screen shots of the interface are included at the end of this manual to illustrate the general design and functions of interface components. When finalized, the user interface will be accessible through a website portal for public access and use.

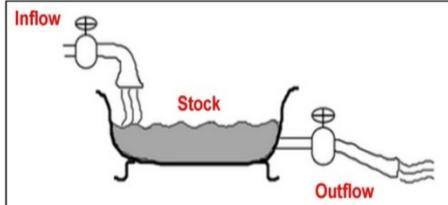
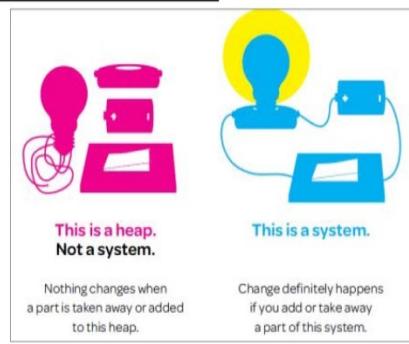
Acknowledgements and copyright information can be found at the end of this booklet. For more information about the model and the research studies that supported its development, contact Margaret (Peg) Weeks at [mweeks@icrweb.org](mailto:mweeks@icrweb.org).

## Definition of Words Commonly Used in System Dynamics (SD) Modeling\*

**System:** A set of parts that is organized and interconnected in a pattern, or a “structure,” that produces a characteristic set of behaviors (for example, the HIV continuum of services is a system).

**Dynamics:** Change or movement, positive and/or negative, and interactions among things that create, increase/decrease, delay, or stop change and movement.

**Modeling:** Creating a visual diagram of a system and its dynamics. This visual diagram of a system can also be simulated with a computer.



**Stocks:** An accumulation of units (for example, water in a tub, people infected with HIV).

**Flows:** The movement of units into, out of, or between stocks.

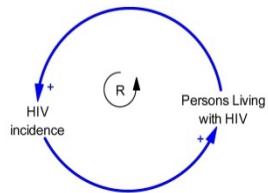
**Inflow:** Units moving into the stock (like water coming from the faucet).  
**Outflow:** Units moving out of the stock (water flowing down the drain.)

**Variables** are elements, features, factors or components of a system that are likely to vary or change.

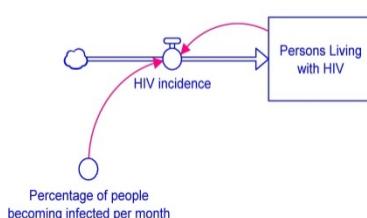
**Feedback loops** are created by 2 or more variables interacting with each other in a system. Feedback loops can be represented in several ways, including a causal loop diagram, stock-flow diagram, and graphs over time diagram (also called reference modes).

**Positive or “reinforcing” feedback loops** magnify or amplify change. Usually that means slow change becomes extremely rapid, sometimes called exponential change. These can be “vicious” or “virtuous” cycles.

Causal Loop Diagram



Stock-Flow Diagram

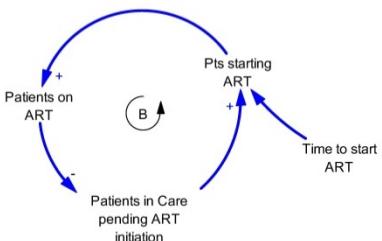


Reference Mode, or Graph-Over-Time Diagram

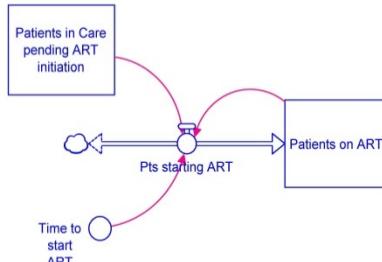


**Negative or “balancing” feedback loops** tend to create a balance. In these loops, one or more forces oppose or reverse the direction of change of one or more other forces. When two competing forces in a negative feedback loop interact, the resulting change can take many forms.

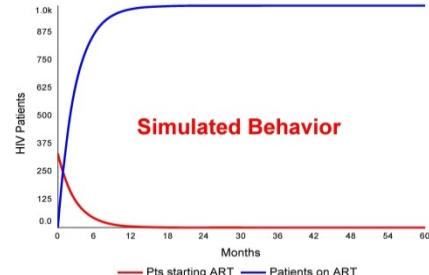
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Stock-Flow Diagram



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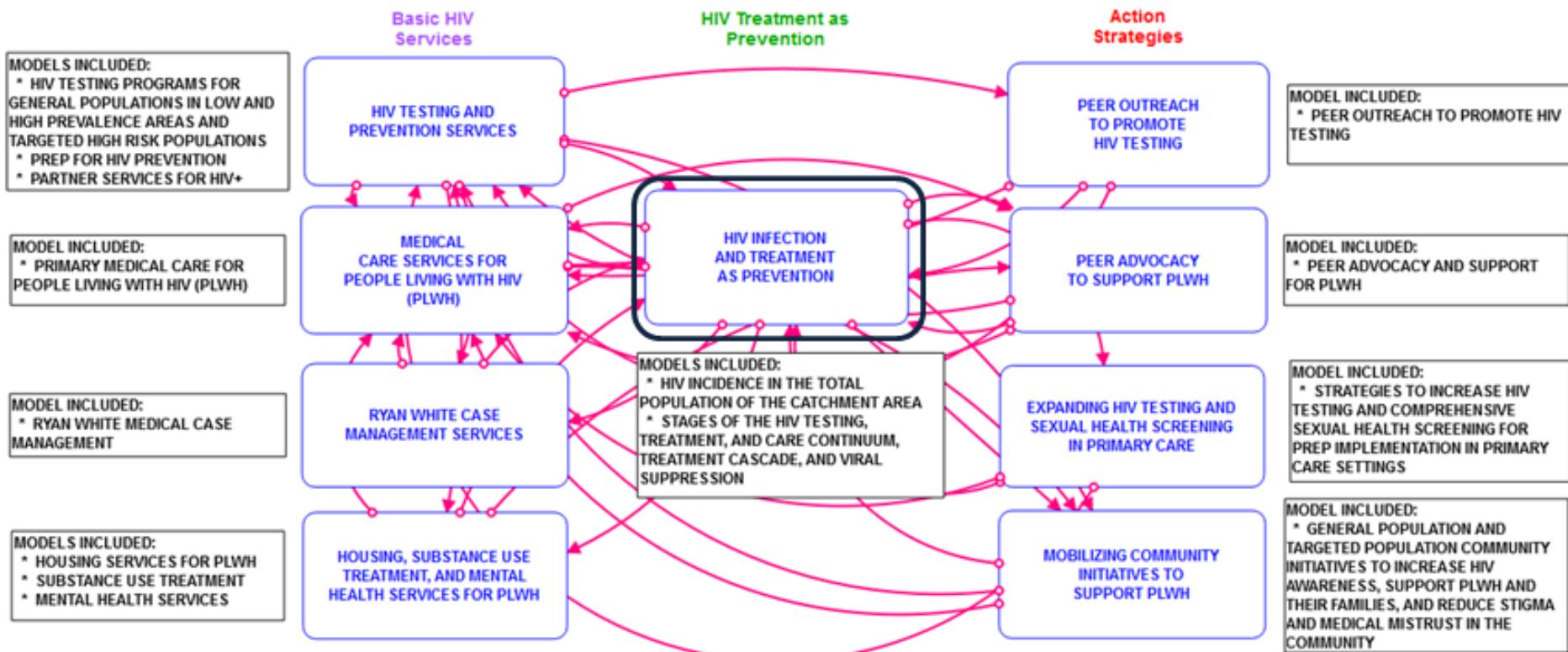
**Time delays** refer to a temporary interruption in the flow or movement of units in a system.

**These and additional system dynamics (SD) definitions of terms can be found in:**

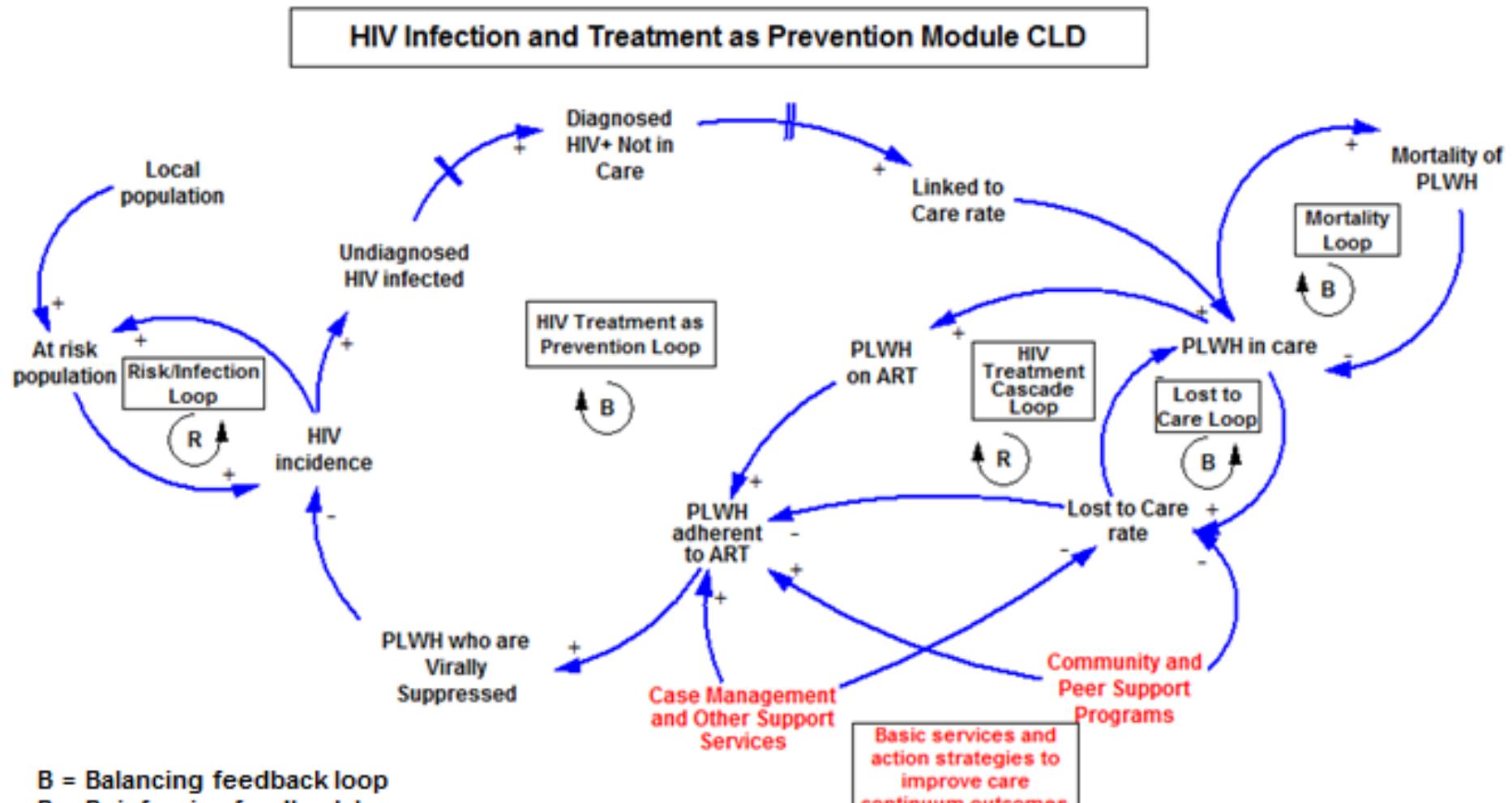
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## Chapter 1: HIV INFECTION AND TREATMENT AS PREVENTION MODULE

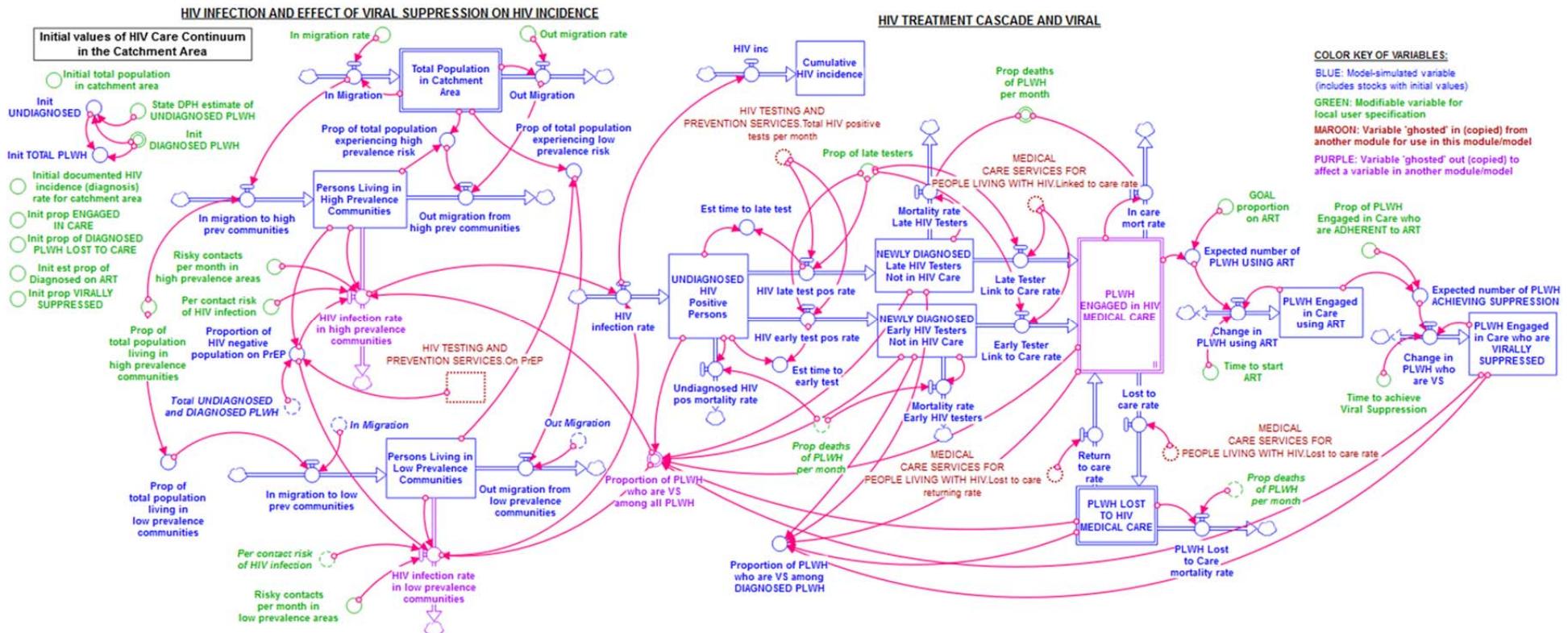
### SYSTEM DYNAMICS MODEL OF THE HIV CARE CONTINUUM: TREATMENT AS PREVENTION, BASIC SERVICES, AND ACTION STRATEGIES TO REDUCE HIV COMMUNITY VIRAL LOAD



## HIV Infection and Treatment as Prevention Module: Causal Loop Diagram (CLD)

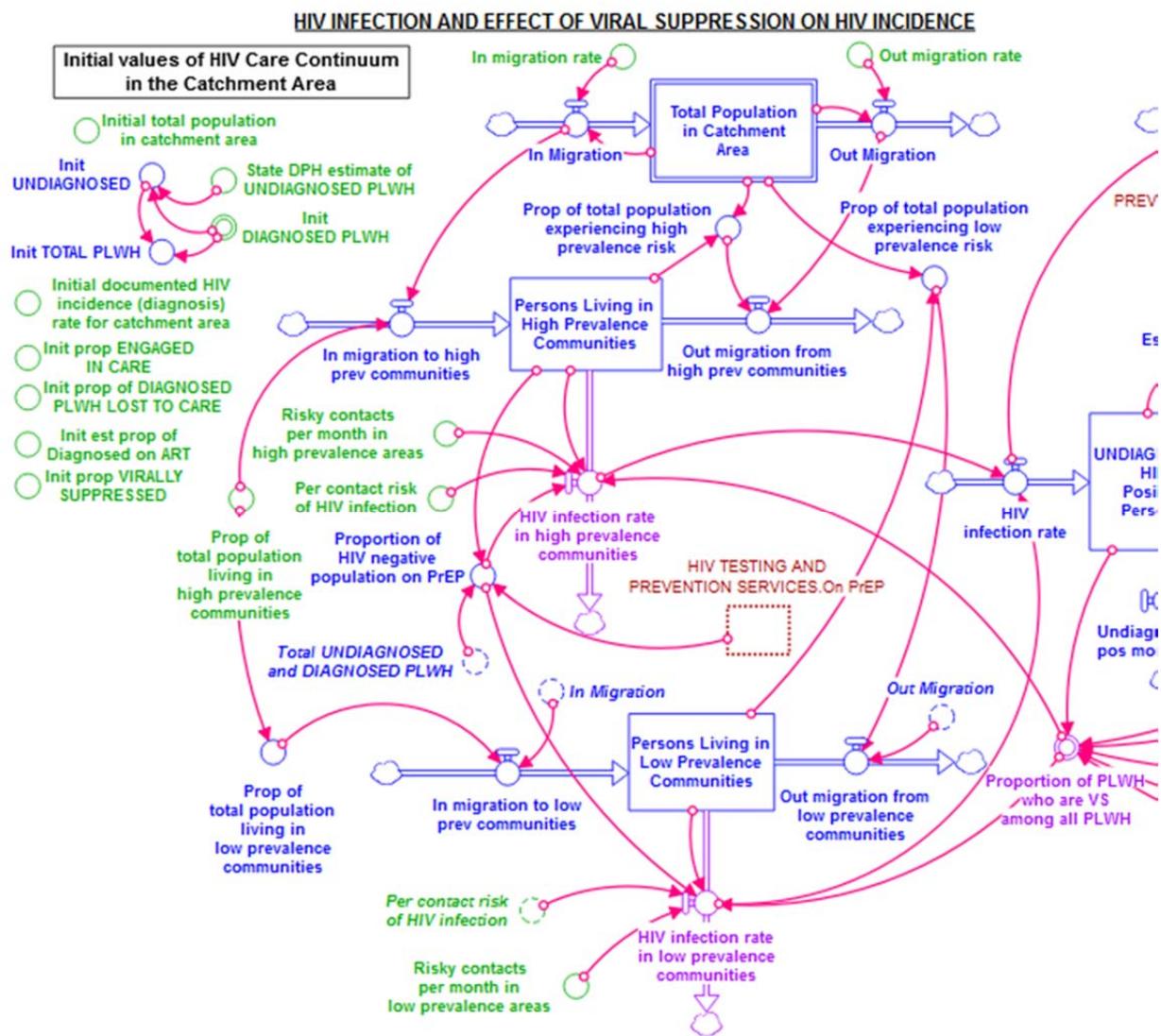


# HIV Infection and Treatment as Prevention Module: Stock/Flow Model



(Details of each model on subsequent pages)

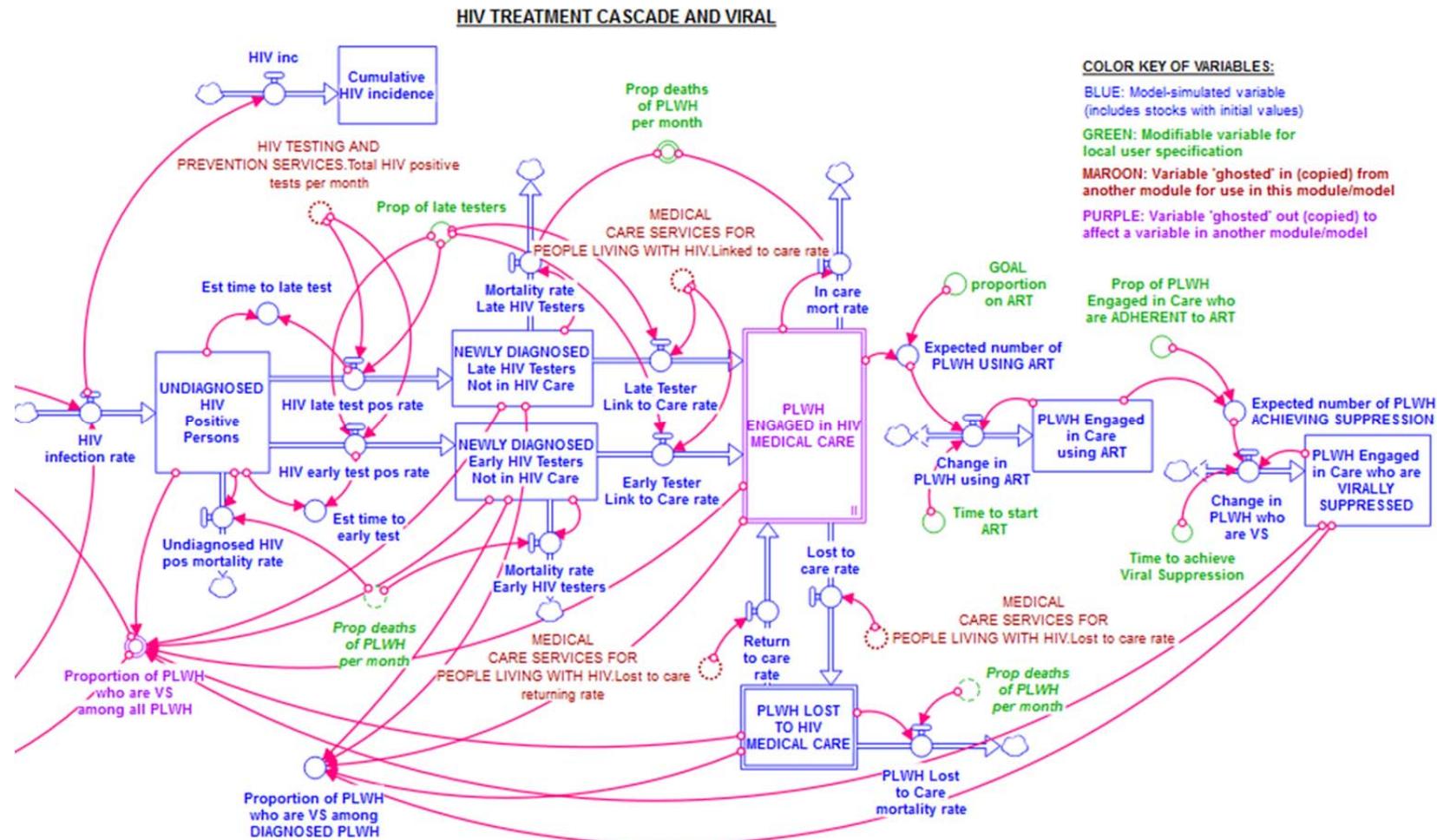
# HIV Infection and Treatment as Prevention Module: Stock/Flow Model: HIV Infections Model Detail



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## HIV Infection and Treatment as Prevention Module: Stock/Flow Model: HIV Treatment Cascade Model Detail



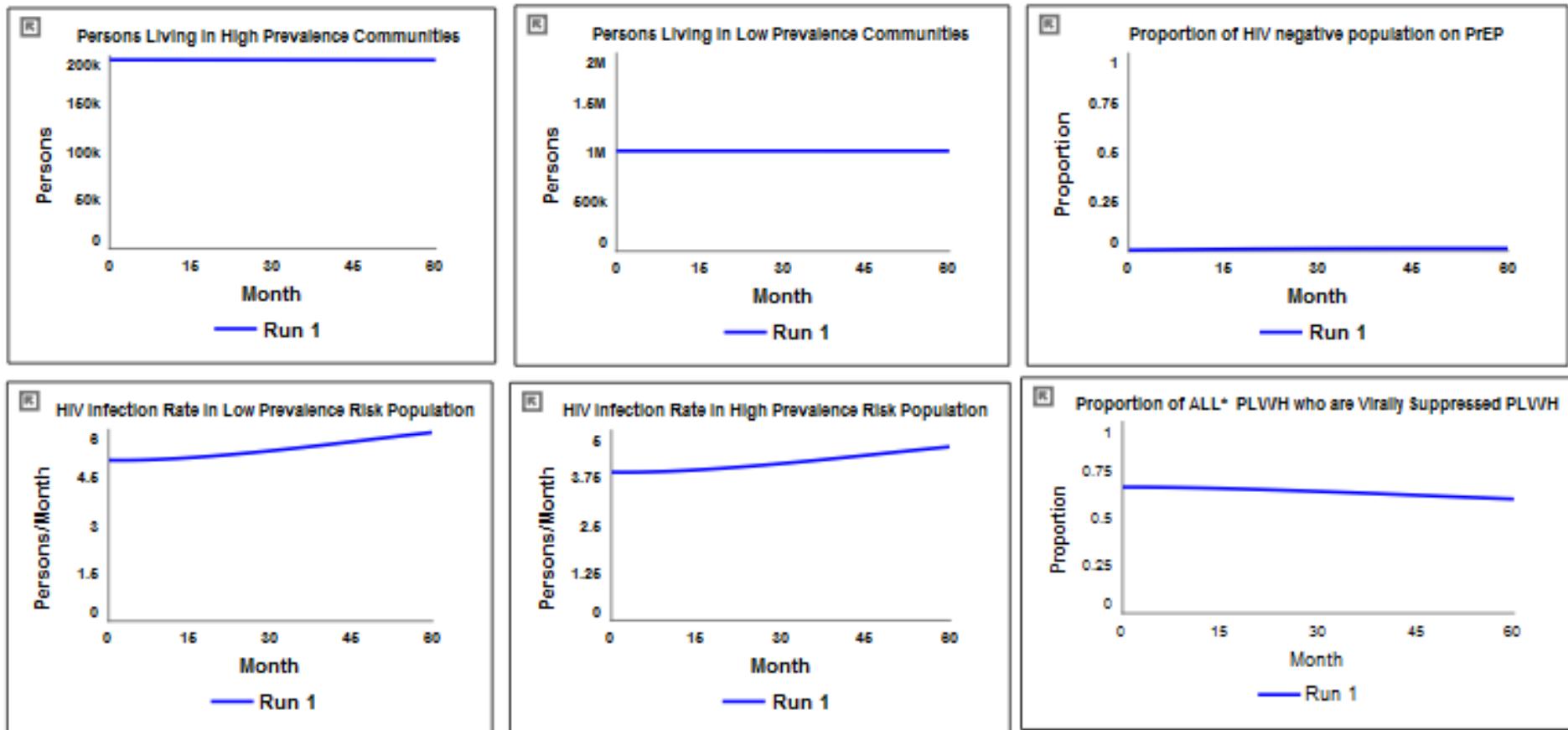
# HIV Infection and Treatment as Prevention Module: Key Modifiable Variables

## HIV INFECTION AND TREATMENT AS PREVENTION MODULE CALIBRATION WORKSHEET

### ESTIMATES USED IN THE BASE MODEL

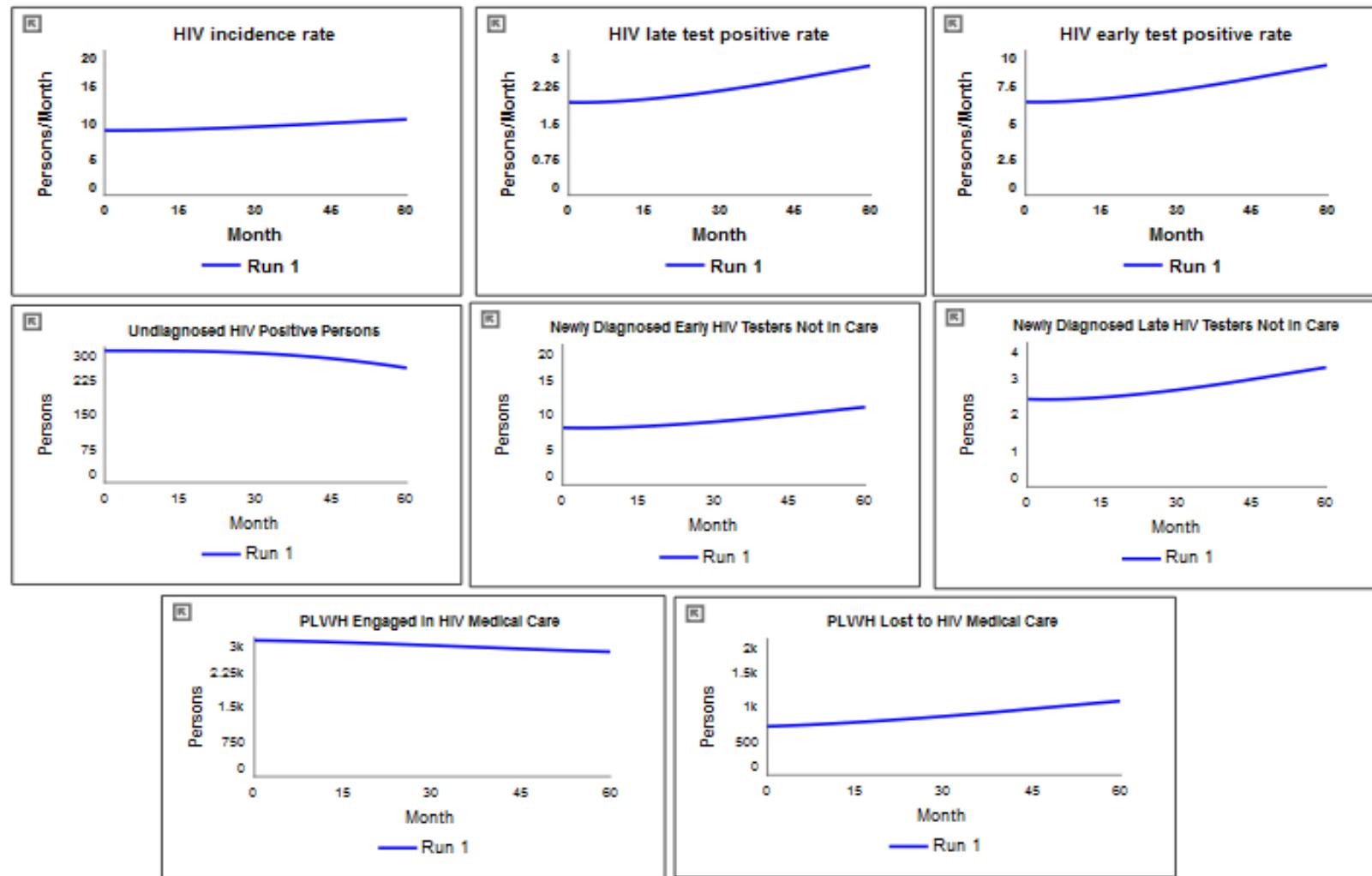
HIV AT-RISK AND PEOPLE LIVING WITH HIV (PLWH) POPULATIONS: SURVEILLANCE AND ESTIMATES		Catchment area: Hartford TGA		
YEAR USED FOR INITIAL ESTIMATES:	2017	Actual number used (units)	Equivalent to:	Code:
<b>GENERAL POPULATION ESTIMATES IN THE CATCHMENT AREA</b>				
Initial population in catchment area	1,210,256	(persons)	Census estimate	1
In migration rate	0.01	(1/month)		1
Out migration rate	0.01	(1/month)		1
Proportion of total population living in high prevalence communities	0.162	(proportion)	16.2% of the total area population	1
<b>GENERAL HIV TRANSMISSION RISK ESTIMATES</b>				
Per contact risk of HIV infection	0.0049	(persons/contact)	49 per 10,000 contacts	4
Risky contacts per month in high prevalence areas	0.0090	(contacts/pers/mo)		4
Risky contacts per month in low prevalence areas	0.0030	(contacts/pers/mo)		4
Time (it takes) to achieve VIRAL SUPPRESSION (after starting ART)	6	(months)	6 months	4
<b>CURRENT HIV CASCADE NUMBERS FROM STATE SURVEILLANCE REPORTS</b>				
State estimated proportion of UNDIAGNOSED PLWH	0.10	(proportion)	10% of Total PLWH	1
Initial documented HIV incidence (diagnosis) rate for catchment area	8.25	Persons/month	8.25 people/mo. diagnosed	1
Initial number of DIAGNOSED PLWH	3,586	(persons)		1
Initial proportion of PLWH who are ENGAGED IN CARE	0.76	(proportion)	76% of diagnosed PLWH	1
Initial estimated proportion of Diagnosed PLWH on ART	0.76	(proportion)	76%--estimated	1
Initial proportion of DIAGNOSED PLWH who are LOST TO CARE	0.24	(proportion)	24% of diagnosed PLWH	1
Initial proportion of PLWH who are VIRALLY SUPPRESSED	0.65	(proportion)	765% of diagnosed PLWH	1
<b>HIV TEST AND TREAT CARE CONTINUUM AND VIRAL SUPPRESSION ESTIMATES</b>				
Estimated proportion of late HIV testers	0.27		27% of all people who test HIV+	1
Proportion HIV deaths	0.002	Persons/persons/month	about 3% of PLWH are dying annually	1
GOAL: Proportion on ART	1.0		100% of all PLWH	3
(Average) time (it takes) to start ART (after being linked to care)	0.25	(months)	1 week	2
Estimated proportion of Engaged in Care PLWH who are ADHERENT to ART	0.95		95% of PLWH Engaged In Care	1
<b>Codes:</b>				
1      Conditions of the Population and the Epidemic				
2      Service Delivery Conditions and Protocols				
3      Intervention Strategies to Improve the System				
4      Mathematical Calibrations				

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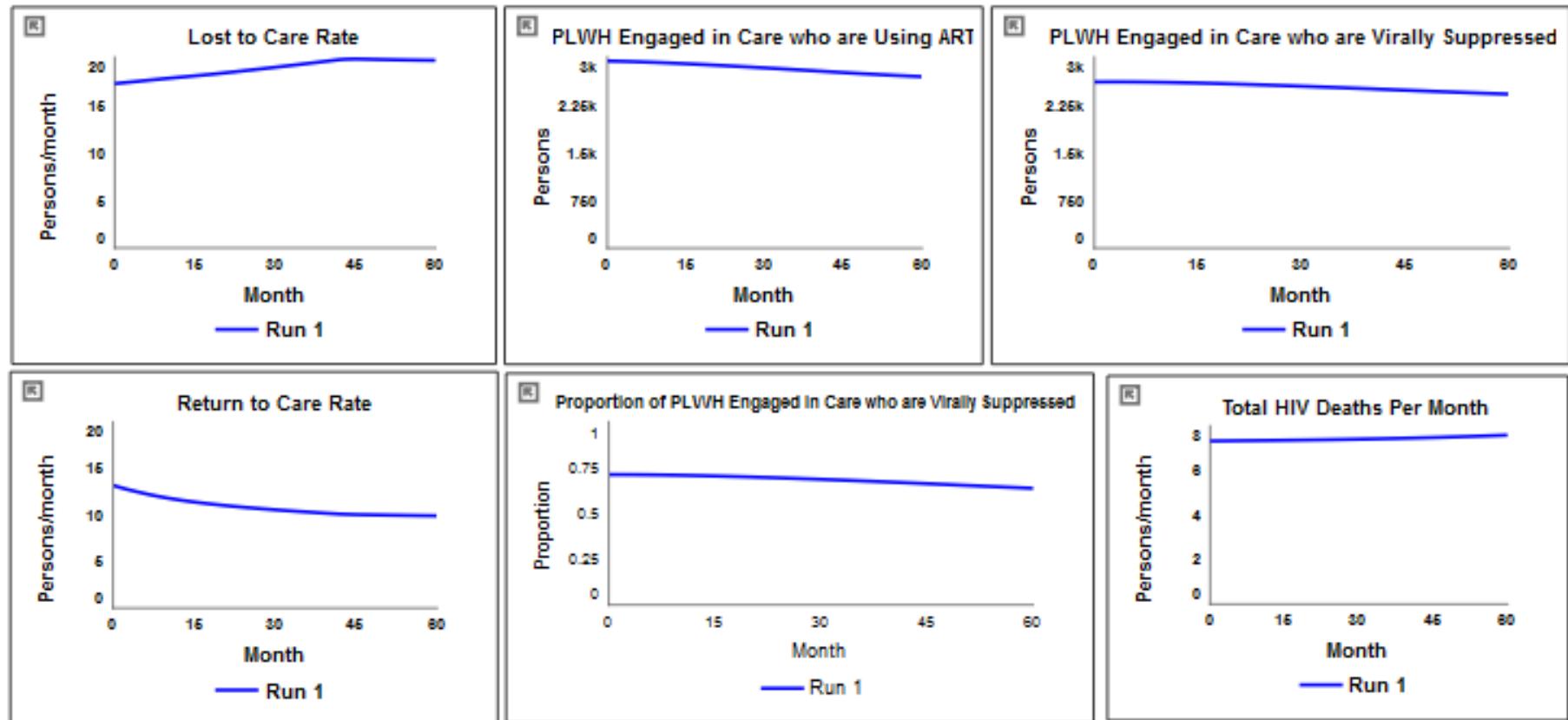
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**HIV Infection and Treatment as Prevention Module:  
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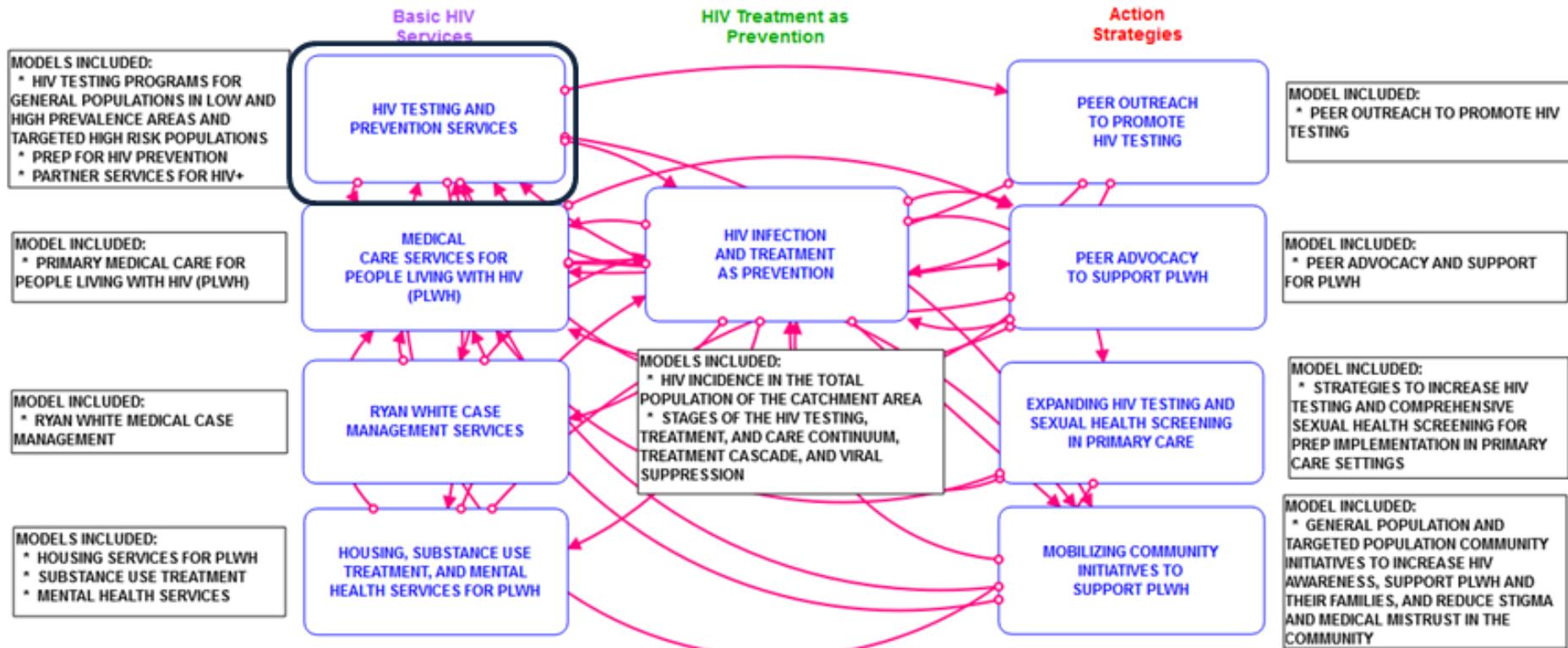
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**Part 2: HIV Treatment Cascade and Viral Suppression (VS) (Part B)**



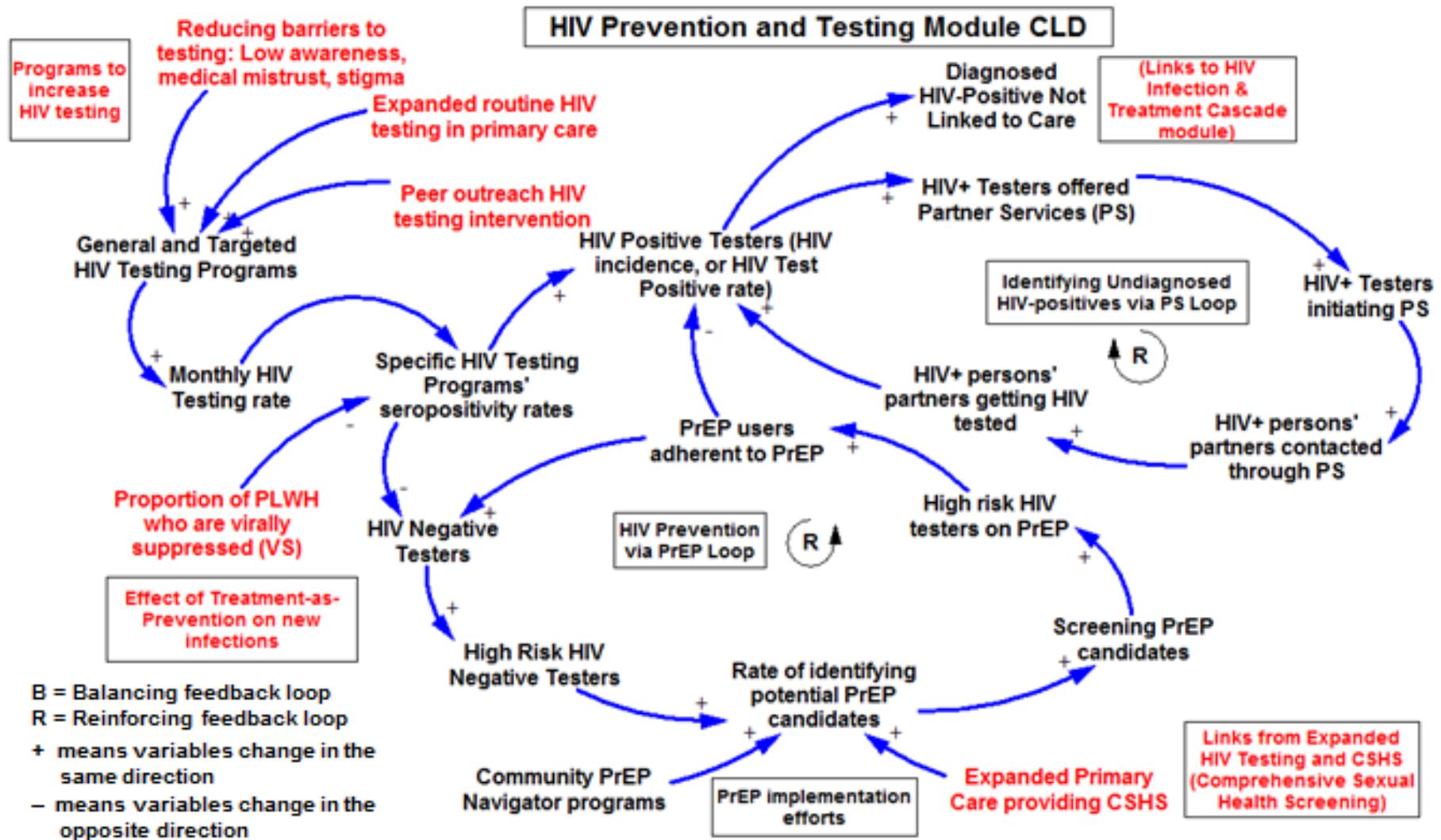
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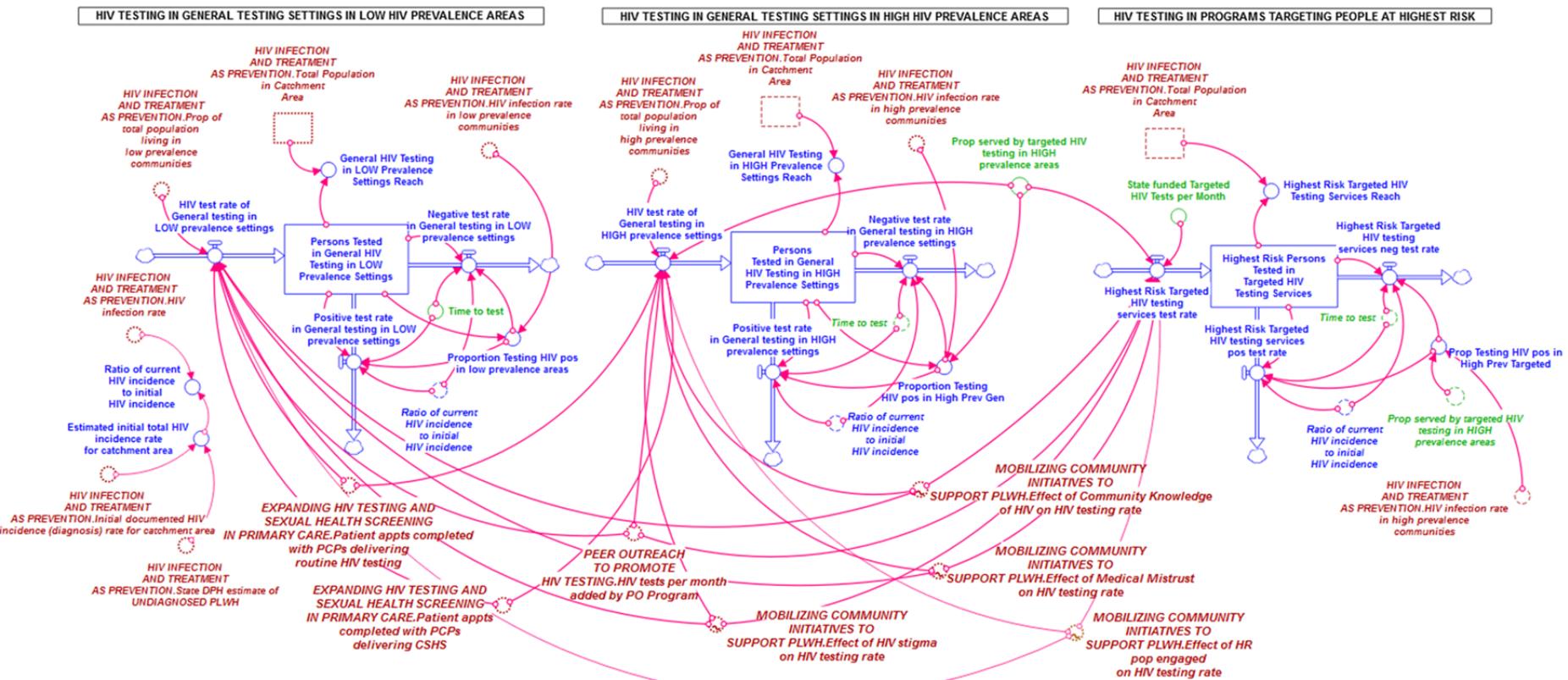


## HIV Prevention and Testing Services Module: Causal Loop Diagram (CLD)



# HIV Prevention and Testing Services Module: Stock/Flow Model

## Part 1: HIV Testing Services



(Details of each model of HIV testing settings start on next page)

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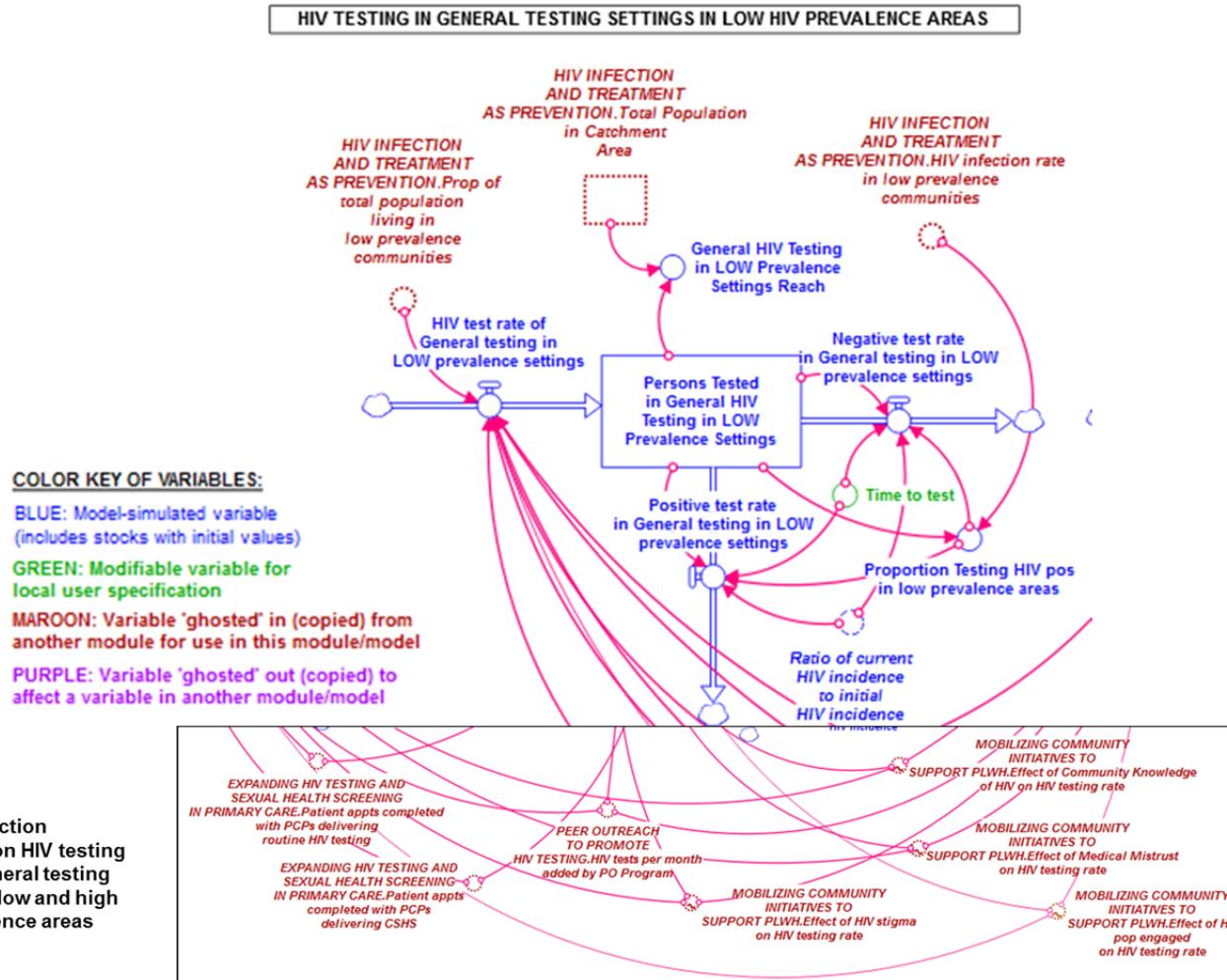
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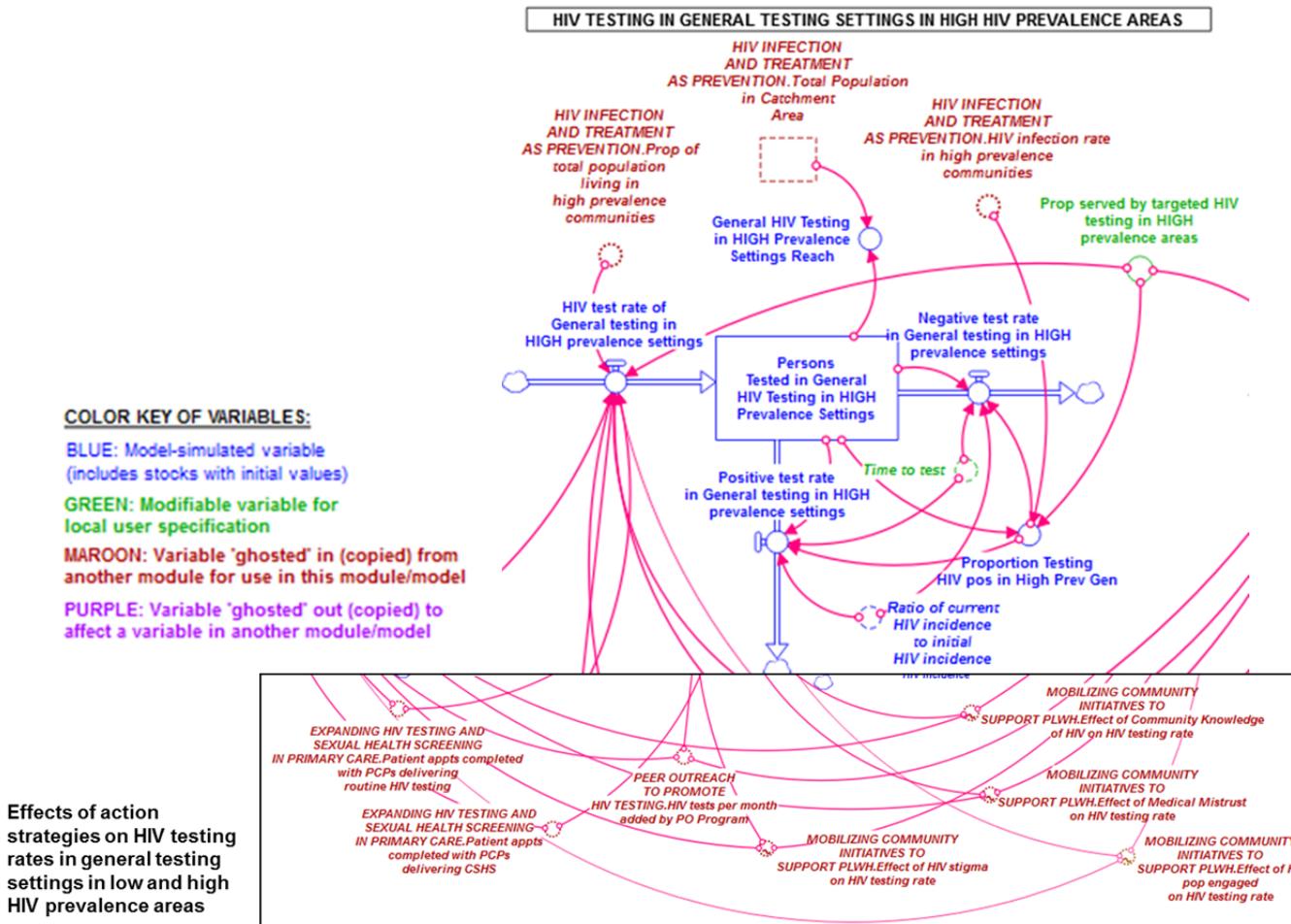
## Stock/Flow Model HIV Testing Services:

### Part A: HIV Testing in General Testing Sites\* in LOW HIV Prevalence Communities



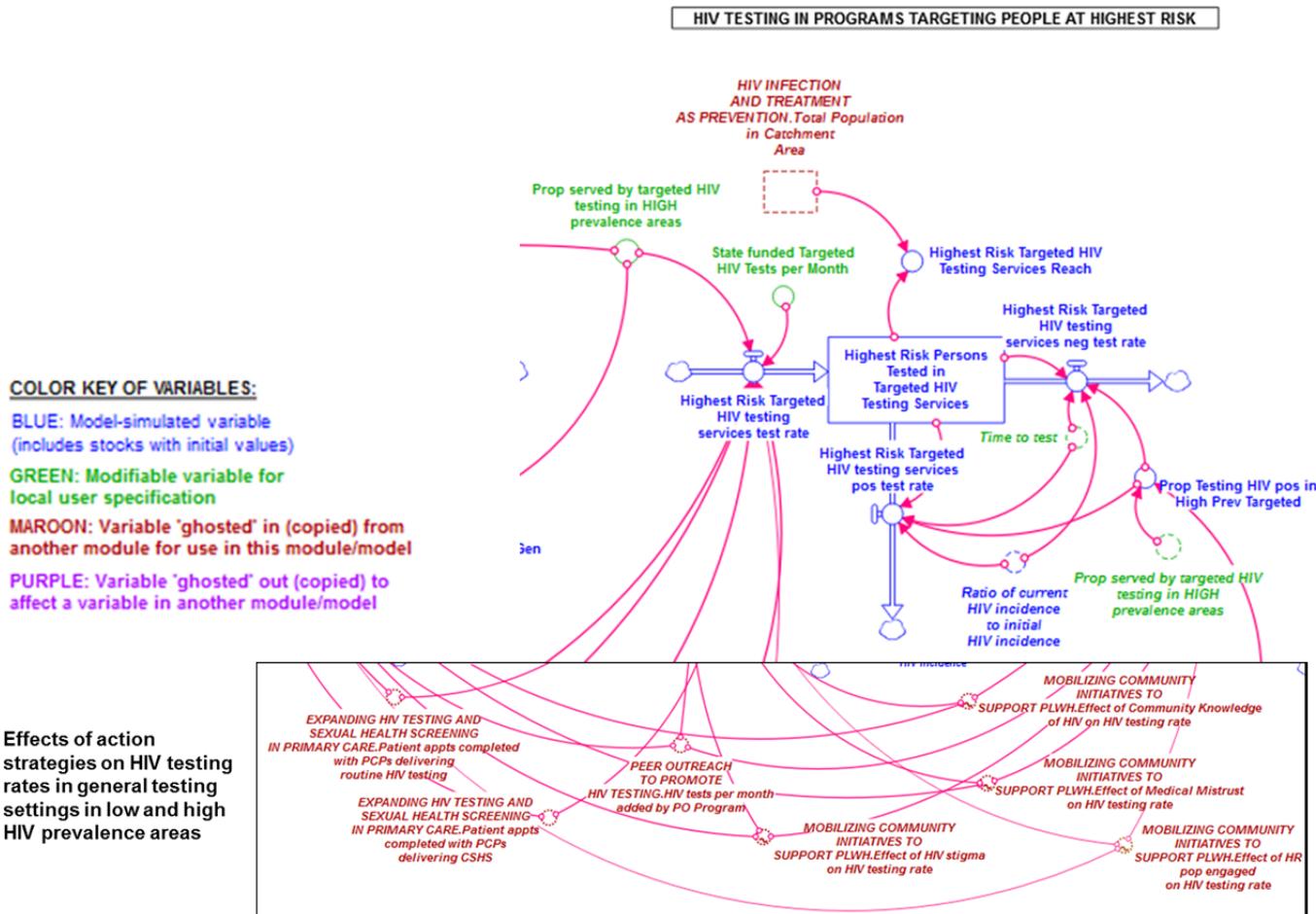
\* Includes testing in hospitals, community and private clinics and other health centers in low prevalence communities.

## HIV Prevention and Testing Services Module: Stock/Flow Model HIV Testing Services: Part B: HIV Testing in General Testing Sites\* in HIGH HIV Prevalence Communities



- \* Includes HIV testing in hospitals, community and private clinics and other health centers in high prevalence communities. Also includes HIV testing programs to expand HIV testing on the general population, such as Expanded Testing Intervention (ETI).

## HIV Prevention and Testing Services Module: Stock/Flow Model HIV Testing Services: Part C: HIV Testing in Targeted Testing Sites in HIGH HIV Prevalence Communities



- \* Includes HIV testing focused on reaching special populations at highest risk in high prevalence communities. This includes Early Intervention Services (ETS), Outreach, Treatment and Linkage to Care (OTL) programs, Syringe Services Programs, Partner Services, and other specially focused HIV testing programs.

## **HIV Prevention and Testing Services Module: Key Modifiable Variables: HIV Testing Services**

### **HIV PREVENTION AND TESTING SERVICES MODULE CALIBRATION WORKSHEET**

**Note:** HIV seropositivity rate for each testing setting is determined by HIV Transmission Risk Estimates & Contacts per month in high and low prevalence areas in the HIV T&T & VS Module

ESTIMATES USED IN THE BASE MODEL				
CATCHMENT AREA		Hartford TGA		
HIV TESTING SERVICES MODULE CALIBRATION WORKSHEET		Actual number used (units)	Equivalent to:	
HIV TESTING ESTIMATES				
Time to test (for HIV after exposure)		1.1	Month	about 1 month
Proportion (of the total population) served by targeted HIV testing in HIGH prevalence areas		0.20	20% of people living in high prevalence areas	
State funded Targeted HIV Test per Month		400	Persons/ Month	400 tested/month through special programs
Time to be scheduled for initial clinic visit		0.25	Month	1 week
Codes:				
1 Conditions of the Population and the Epidemic				
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3 Intervention Strategies to Improve the System				
4 Mathematical Calibrations				

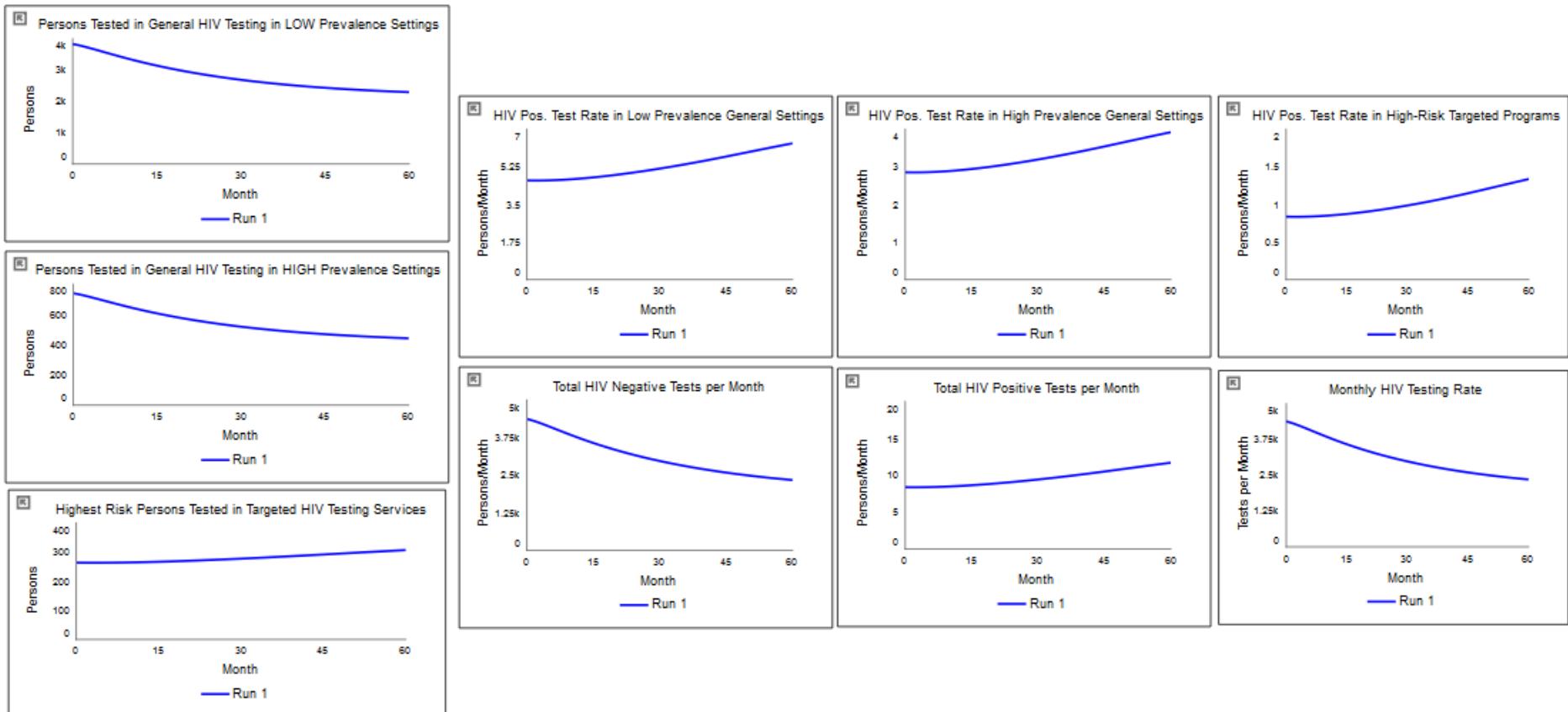
### **Sample Targeted HIV Testing Programs for Model Calibrations**

#### **HIV PREVENTION AND TESTING SERVICES MODULE CALIBRATION WORKSHEET**

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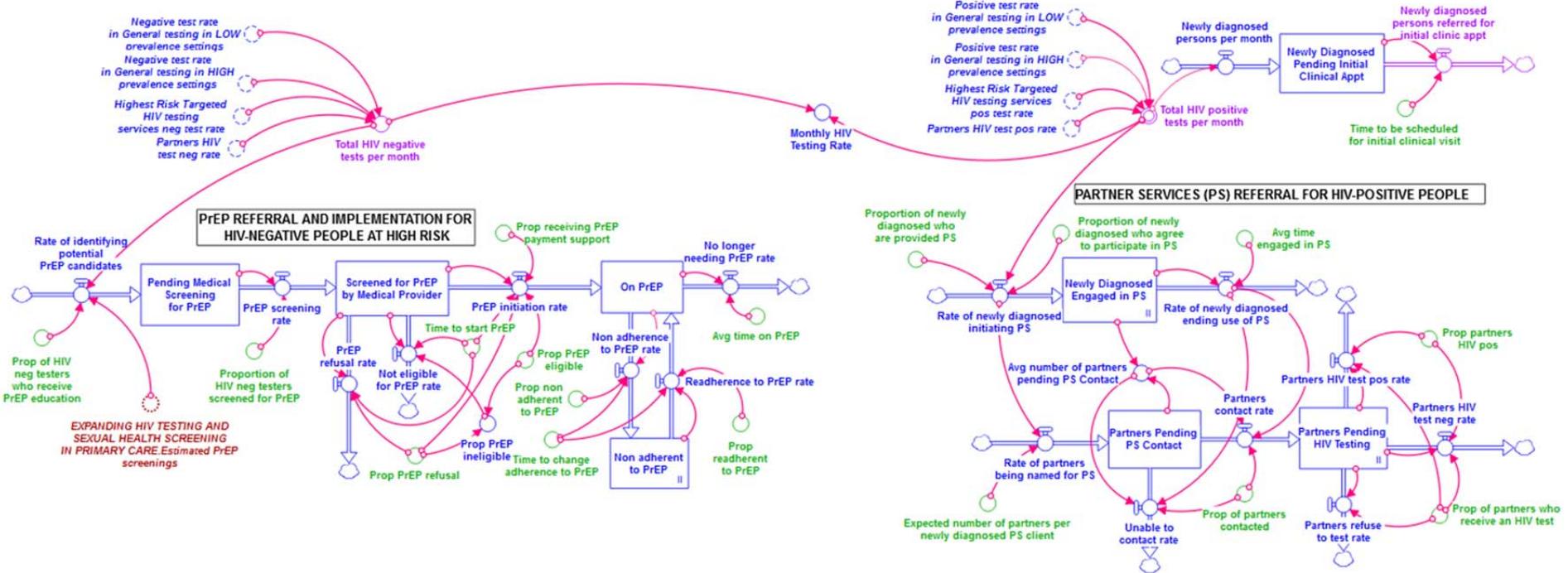
					ESTIMATES USED IN THE BASE MODEL				
CATCHMENT AREA		Hartford County and Hartford TGA							
CALCULATIONS TO ESTIMATE NUMBER OF HIV TESTS CONDUCTED ANNUALLY AND SERO-POSITIVITY RATE OF HIV TESTS CONDUCTED PER PROGRAM:		(2 years provided for comparative purposes; 2015 numbers used)							
HIV TESTING PROGRAMS		Total Annual Tests	Positives	Sero pos rate	Reach (% of total HIV tests given)				
		YR 2015	YR 2016	YR 2015	YR 2016	YR 2015	YR 2016	YR 2015	YR 2016
OTL: Outreach, Treatment and Linkage to Care		4,247		7	5	0.0016	0.001094	10.1%	5.4%
ETI: Expanded Testing Intervention		12,337		10	18	0.0008	0.00142	29.4%	15.0%
EIS: Early Intervention Specialist		336		2	1	0.0060	0.004566	0.8%	0.3%
SSP: Syringe Services Program		0		0	0	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	0.0%	0.0%
OTHER: Testing in primary care and other settings not including programs listed above		25000		80	75	0.0032	0.00112	59.6%	79.3%
								0.0%	0.0%
<b>TOTAL ANNUAL TESTS FOR CATCHMENT AREA</b>		<b>41920</b>		<b>84464</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>0.0024</b>	<b>0.001172</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
								100.0%	100.0%

## HIV Testing and Prevention Services Module: Base Case Run Output Graphs\* HIV Testing Services



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## HIV Prevention and Testing Services Module: PrEP Implementation and Partner Services Stock/Flow Model



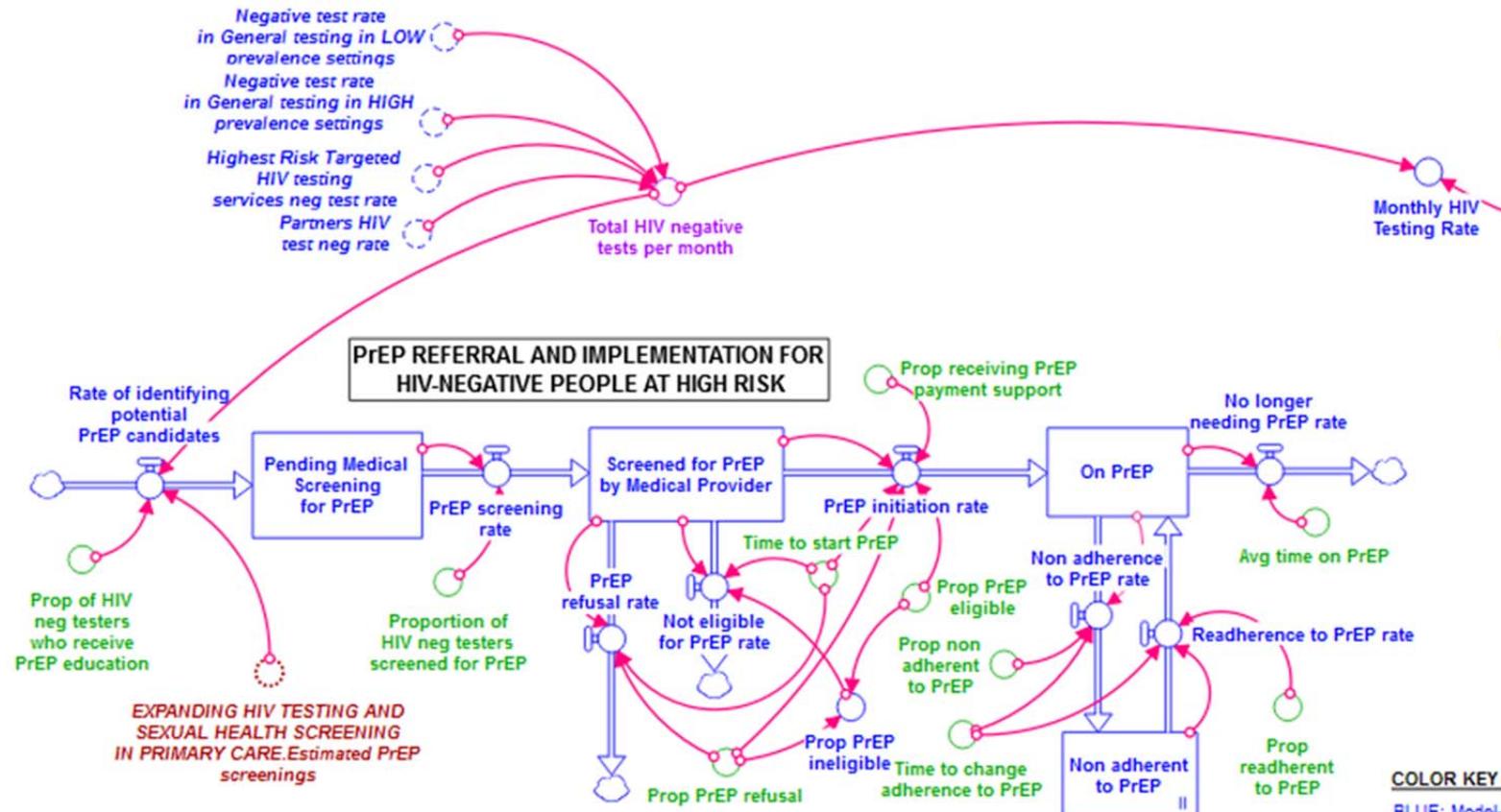
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## HIV Prevention and Testing Services Module PrEP Implementation Stock/Flow Model Detail

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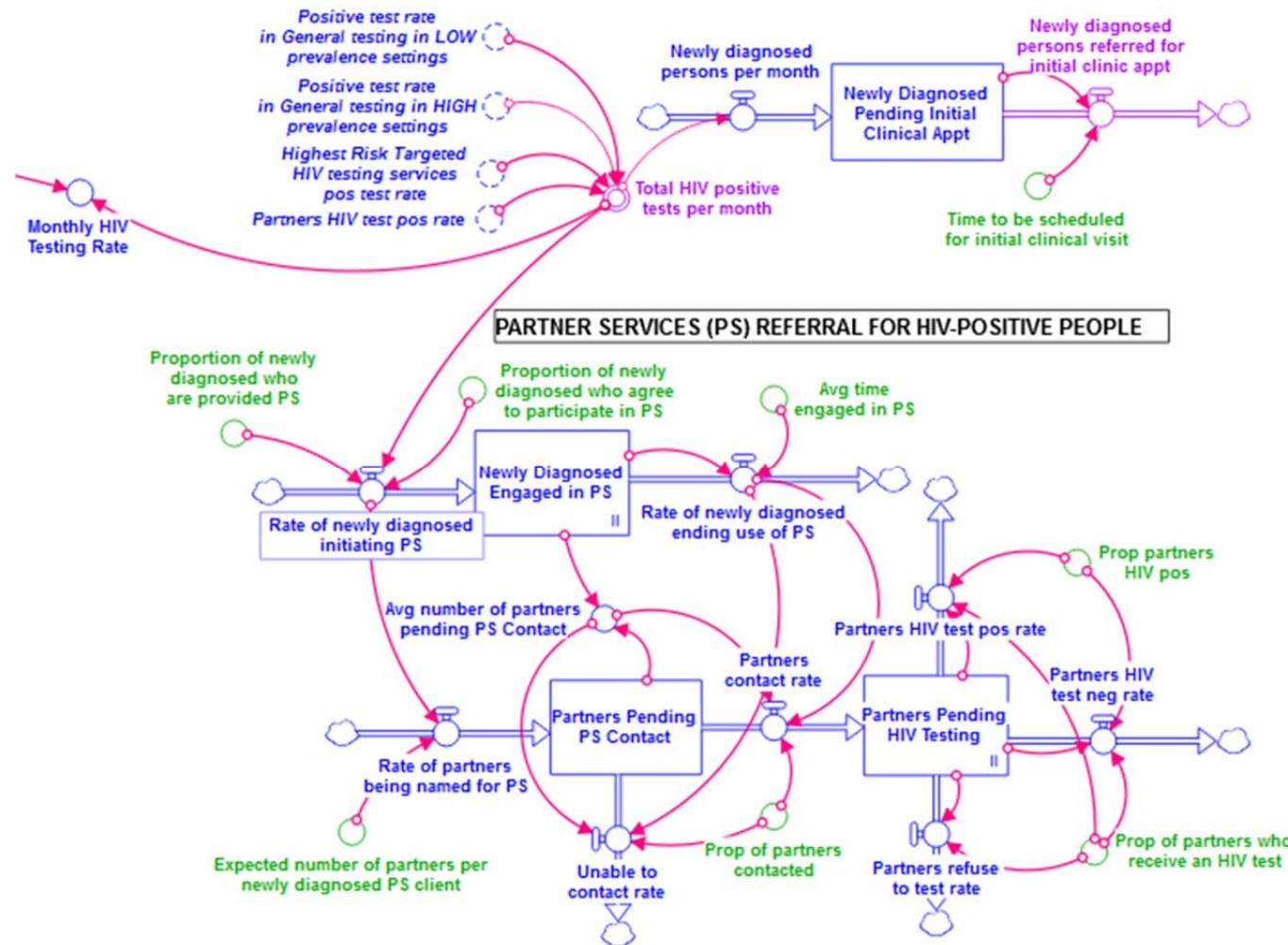
# HIV Prevention and Testing Services Module: PrEP Implementation Key Modifiable Variables

## HIV PREVENTION AND TESTING SERVICES MODULE CALIBRATION WORKSHEET

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ESTIMATES USED IN THE BASE MODEL			
CATCHMENT AREA	Hartford TGA		
HIV PREVENTION SERVICES MODULE CALIBRATION WORKSHEET: PREP	Actual number used (units)	Equivalent to:	
PRE-EXPOSURE PROPHYLAXIS (PrEP)	ESTIMATES USED IN THE BASE MODEL		
Proportion of HIV negative testers who receive PrEP education	0.15	15% of HIV negative testers	2
Proportion of HIV negative testers who are screened for PrEP	0.1	10% of HIV-neg testers	2
Proportion PrEP refusal	0.60	60% of those screened for PrEP	1
Proportion PrEP eligible	0.70	70% of those screened for PrEP	1
Proportion receiving PrEP payment support	0.90	90% of screened PrEP eligible	3
Time (it takes) to start PrEP (after being determined eligible)	0.25 (months)	1 week	2
Proportion non-adherent to PrEP	0.20	20%	1
Time (it takes) to change adherence to PrEP (after starting it)	1 (month)	1 month	1
Proportion re-adherent to PrEP (after stopping it for a while)	0.50	50%	1
Average time on PrEP	24 (months)	2 years	1
<b>Codes:</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Conditions of the Population and the Epidemic</b>	
	<b>2</b>	<b>Service Delivery Conditions and Protocols</b>	
	<b>3</b>	<b>Intervention Strategies to Improve the System</b>	
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## HIV Prevention and Testing Services Module Partner Services Stock/Flow Model Detail



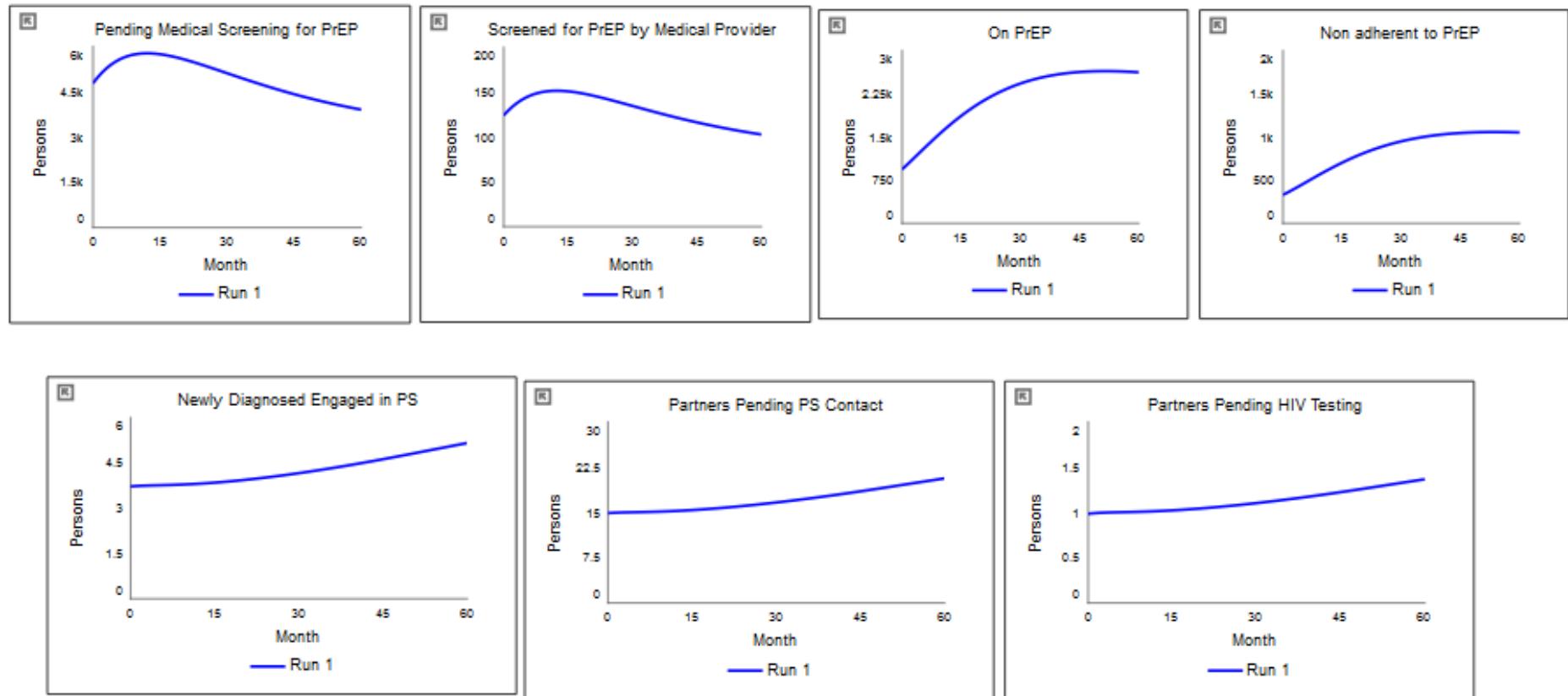
## HIV Prevention and Testing Services Module: Partner Services Key Modifiable Variables

### HIV PREVENTION AND TESTING SERVICES MODULE CALIBRATION WORKSHEET

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		ESTIMATES USED IN THE BASE MODEL		
CATCHMENT AREA		<b>Hartford TGA</b>		
<b>HIV PREVENTION SERVICES MODULE CALIBRATION: PARTNER SERVICES</b>		Actual number used (units)	Equivalent to:	
PARTNER SERVICES (PS)		ESTIMATES USED IN THE BASE MODEL		
Proportion of newly diagnosed PLWH who are provided Partner Services (PS)	0.50	30% of newly diagnosed PLWH	2	
Proportion of newly diagnosed who agree to participate in PS	0.95	50% of newly diagnosed PLWH	1	
Average time engaged in PS	3 (months)	3 months	2	
Expected number of partners (named) per newly diagnosed PS client	0.4 (persons)	4 partners	1	
Proportion of partners contacted	0.90	20%	2	
Proportion of partners who receive an HIV test	0.50	50%	2	
Proportion of partners who are HIV-positive	0.07	15% of partners who test	1	
<b>Codes:</b>	<b>1</b>	Conditions of the Population and the Epidemic		
	<b>2</b>	Service Delivery Conditions and Protocols		
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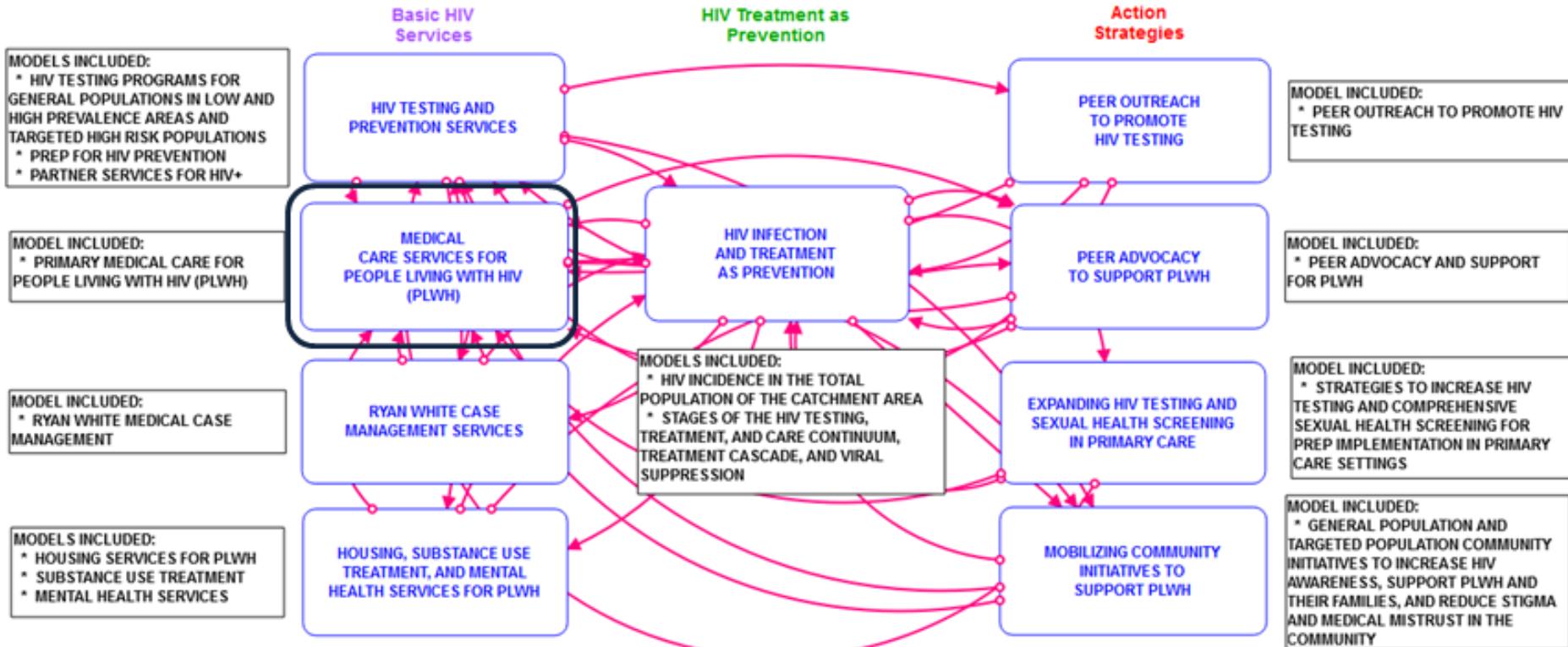
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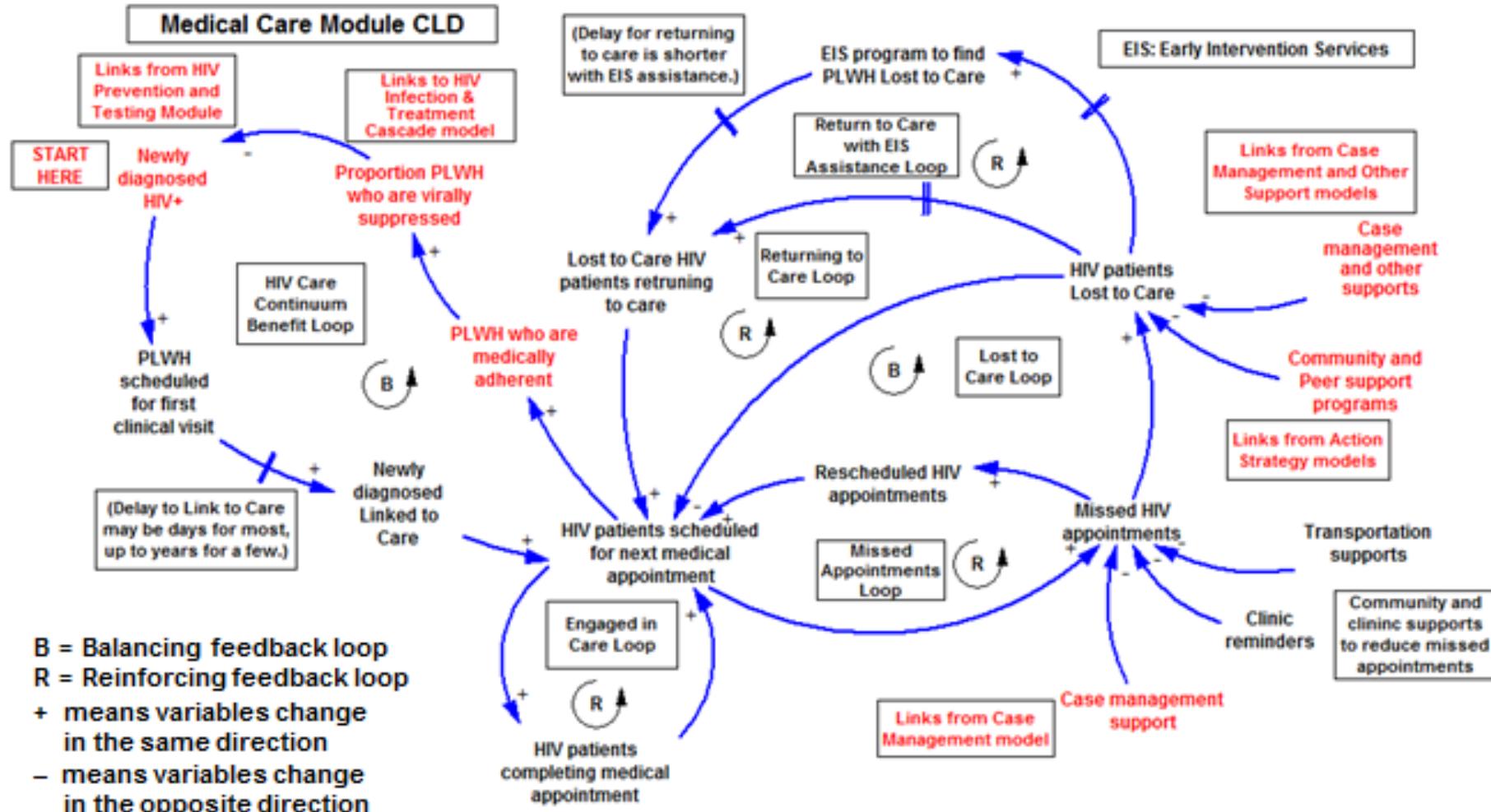
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## Chapter 3: MEDICAL CARE SERVICES MODULE

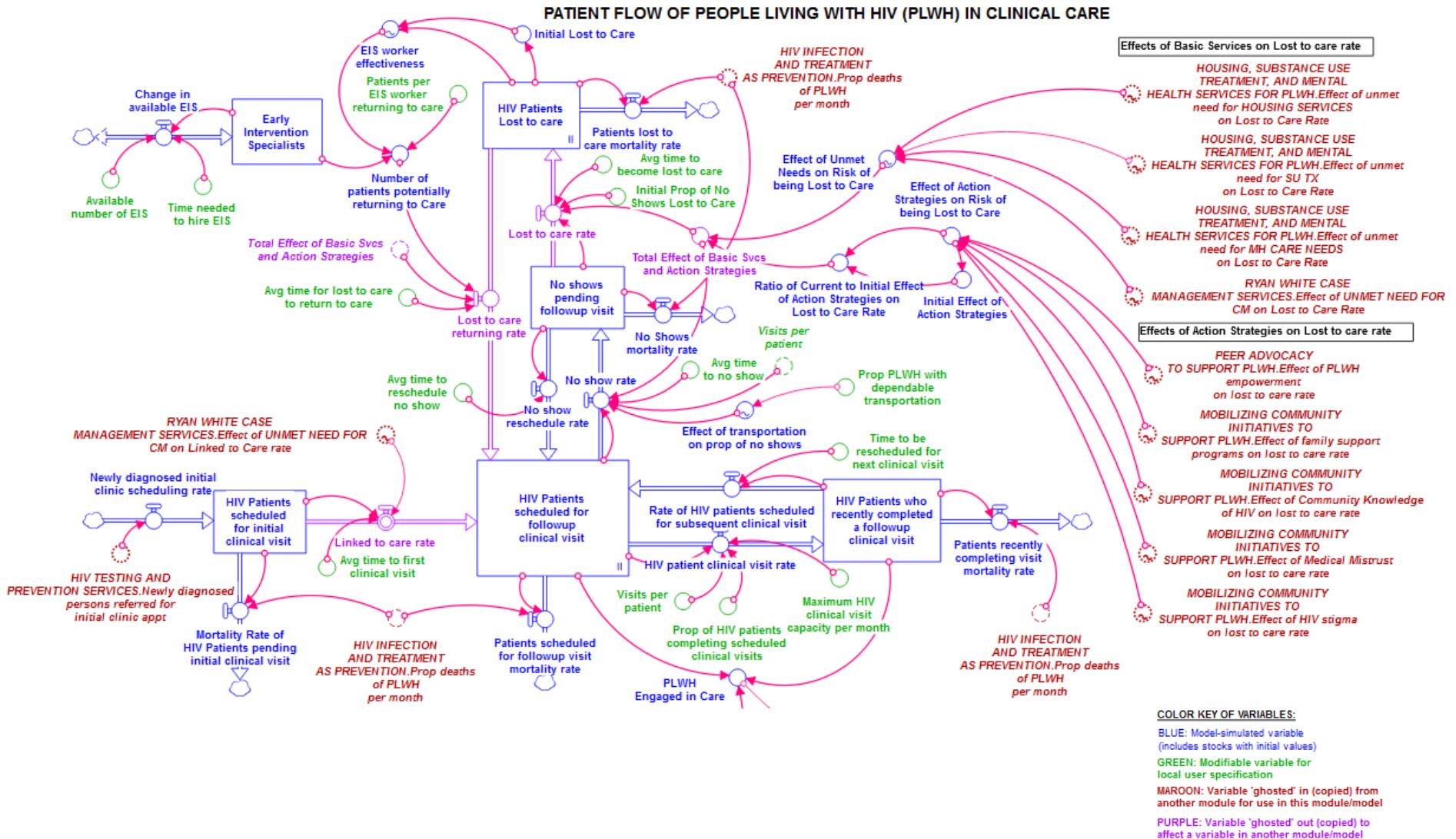
### SYSTEM DYNAMICS MODEL OF THE HIV CARE CONTINUUM: TREATMENT AS PREVENTION, BASIC SERVICES, AND ACTION STRATEGIES TO REDUCE HIV COMMUNITY VIRAL LOAD



## Medical Care Services for People Living with HIV (PLWH) Module: Causal Loop Diagram (CLD)



# Medical Care Services for People Living with HIV (PLWH) Module: Stock/Flow Model



# Medical Care Services for People Living with HIV (PLWH) Module: Key Modifiable Variables

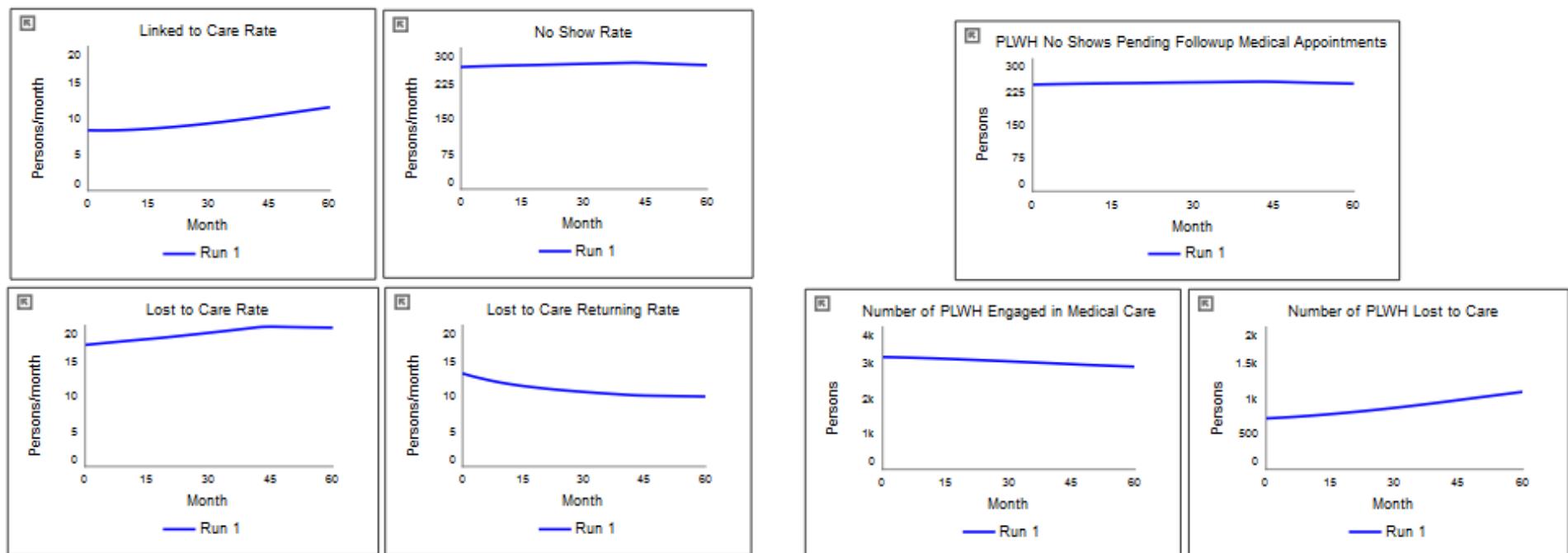
## MEDICAL CARE SERVICES MODULE CALIBRATION WORKSHEET

### ESTIMATES USED IN THE BASE MODEL

Catchment area: [Hartford TGA](#)

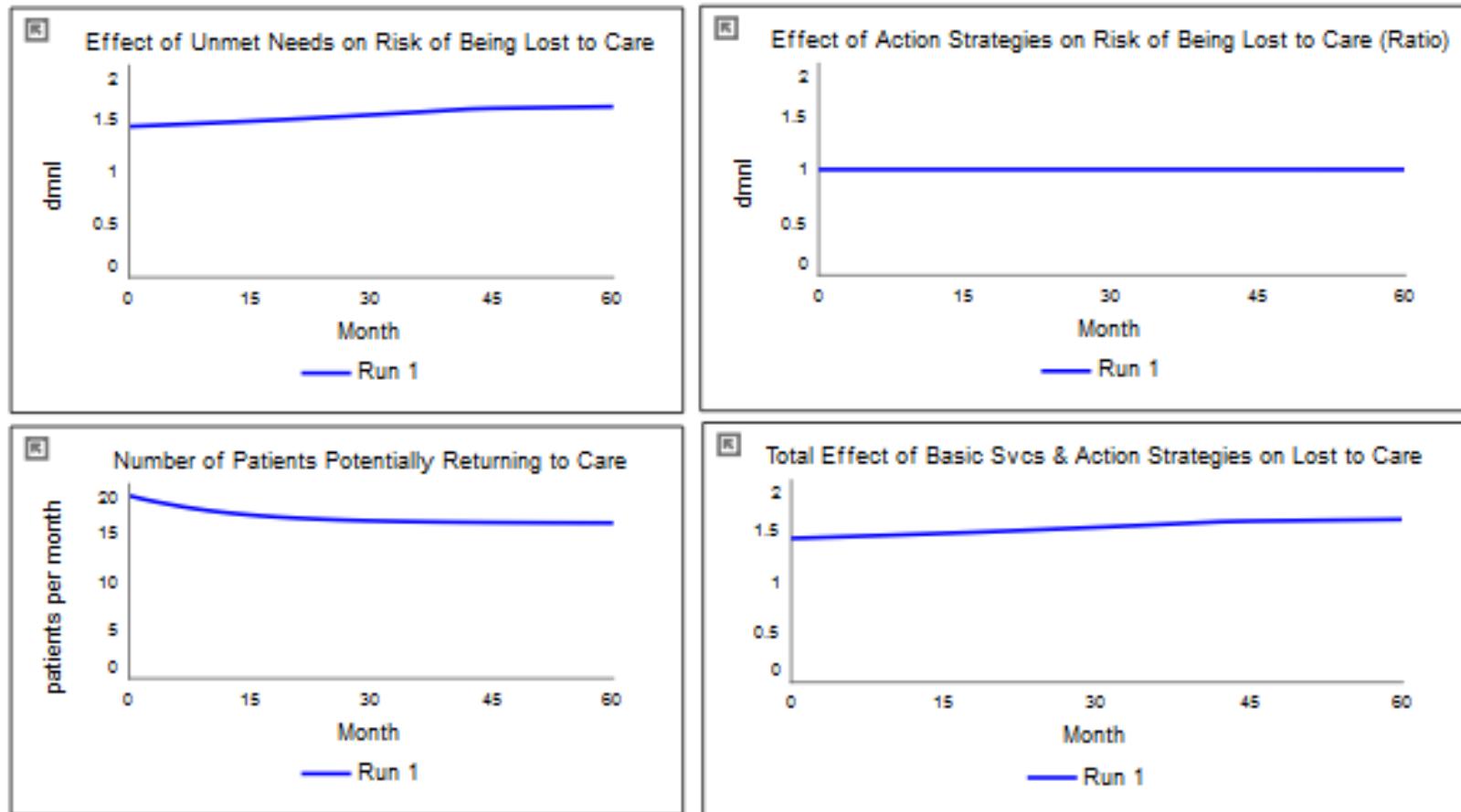
YEAR USED FOR INITIAL ESTIMATES: <b>2017</b>	Actual number used (units)	Equivalent to:	Codes:
<b>PATIENT FLOW OF PEOPLE LIVING WITH HIV (PLWH) IN CLINICAL CARE</b>			
<b>Initial values imported from HIV Treatment as Prevention Module</b>			
Initial (number) Diagnosed PLWH	3,652	3,328 PLWH	1
Initial proportion of DIAGNOSED PLWH Engaged in Care	0.80	80% of PLWH	1
Initial proportion of HIV Patients Lost to Care	0.20	20% of PLWH	1
<b>Linkage to Care &amp; Clinic Capacity</b>			
Average time to first clinical visit after HIV diagnosis (time to be linked to care)	2 (months)	2 months	2
Maximum HIV clinical visit capacity per month in the catchment area	1,000 (visits / month)	1,000 appointment slots available	2
Proportion of HIV patients completing scheduled clinical visits	0.75	75% of patients	1
Time to be rescheduled for next clinical visit after completing a visit	0.25 (months)	1 week	2
<b>Challenges to Staying in Care</b>			
Proportion of PLWH with dependable transportation	0.60	60% of PLWH patients	1
New value proportion PLWH with dependable transportation (comparisons)	0.60	(same as initial unless revised)	1
Average time to no-show (for a medical appointment)	6 (months)	6 months	2
Average time to reschedule no-show clinical appointment	1 (months)	1 month	2
Initial proportion of no-shows (who become) Lost to Care	0.60	60% of no-shows	1
Average time to become lost to care	12 (months)	12 months	2
Average time for lost to care to return to care	1 (month)	1 month	2
<b>Program to Reduce Lost to Care</b>			
Available number of Early Intervention Specialists (EIS) to find lost to care	2 (persons)	2 EIS	2
Additional or Fewer EIS (to allow comparison simulations)	0 (persons)	(change as desired)	2
Time needed to hire (and train new) EIS	12 (months)	1 year	3
Patients per EIS worker returning to care	8 patients/ month / EIS	8 patients/ month per EIS	3
<b>Mathematical calibrations</b>			
Visits per patient	1 (1/month)		4
<b>Codes:</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Conditions of the Population and the Epidemic</b>	
	<b>2</b>	<b>Service Delivery Conditions and Protocols</b>	
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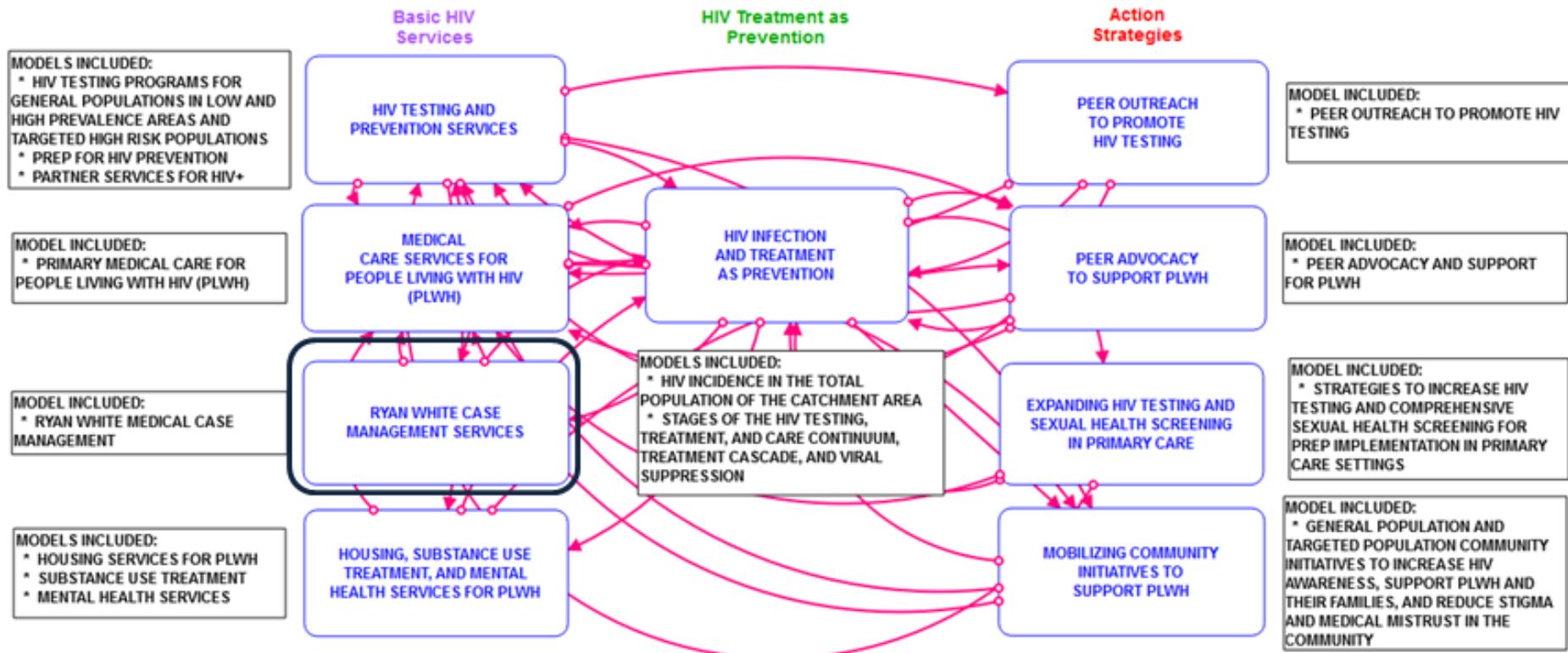
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**Effects on Lost to Care and Returning to Care Rates**



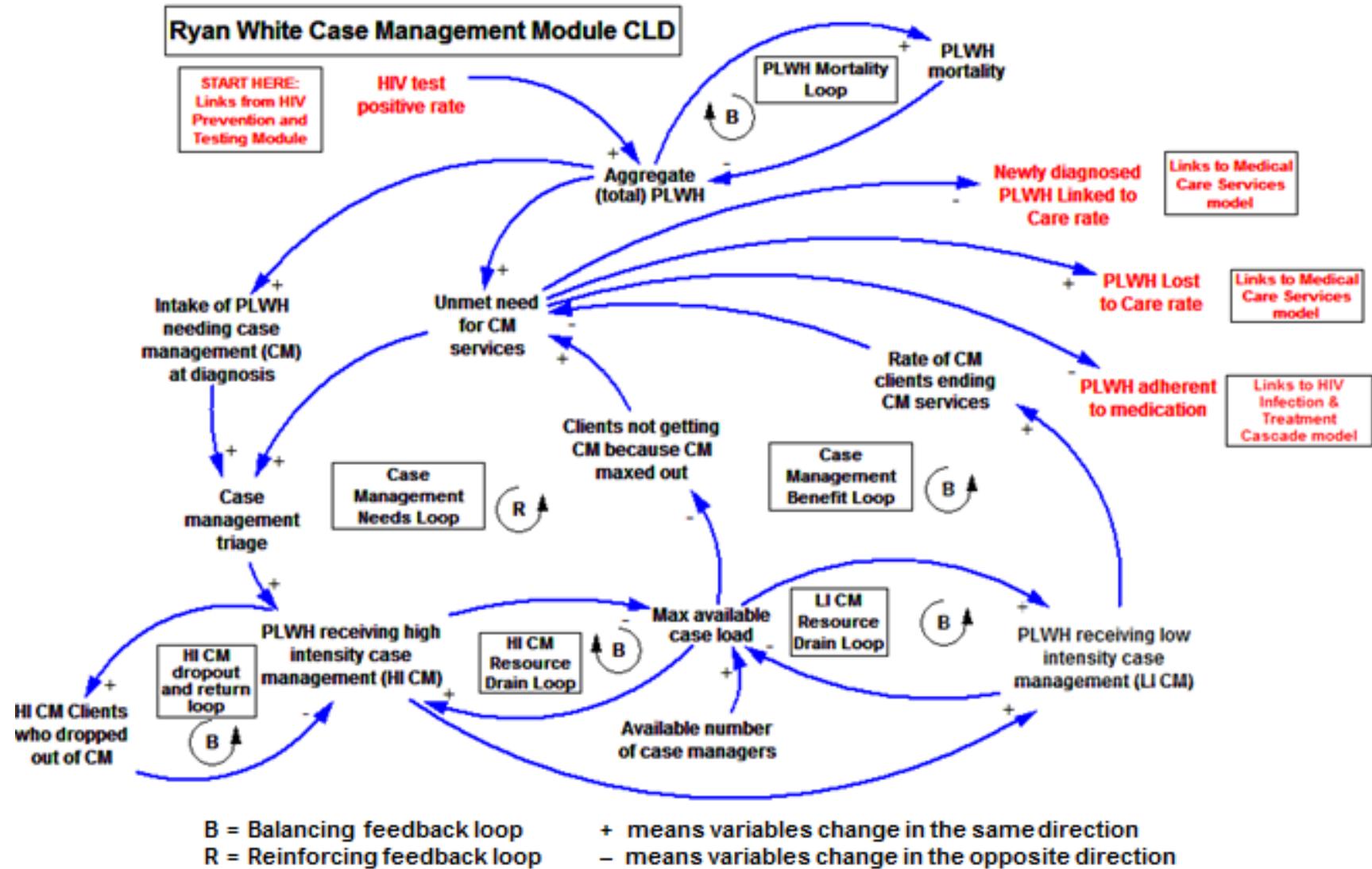
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## Chapter 4: RYAN WHITE CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES MODULE

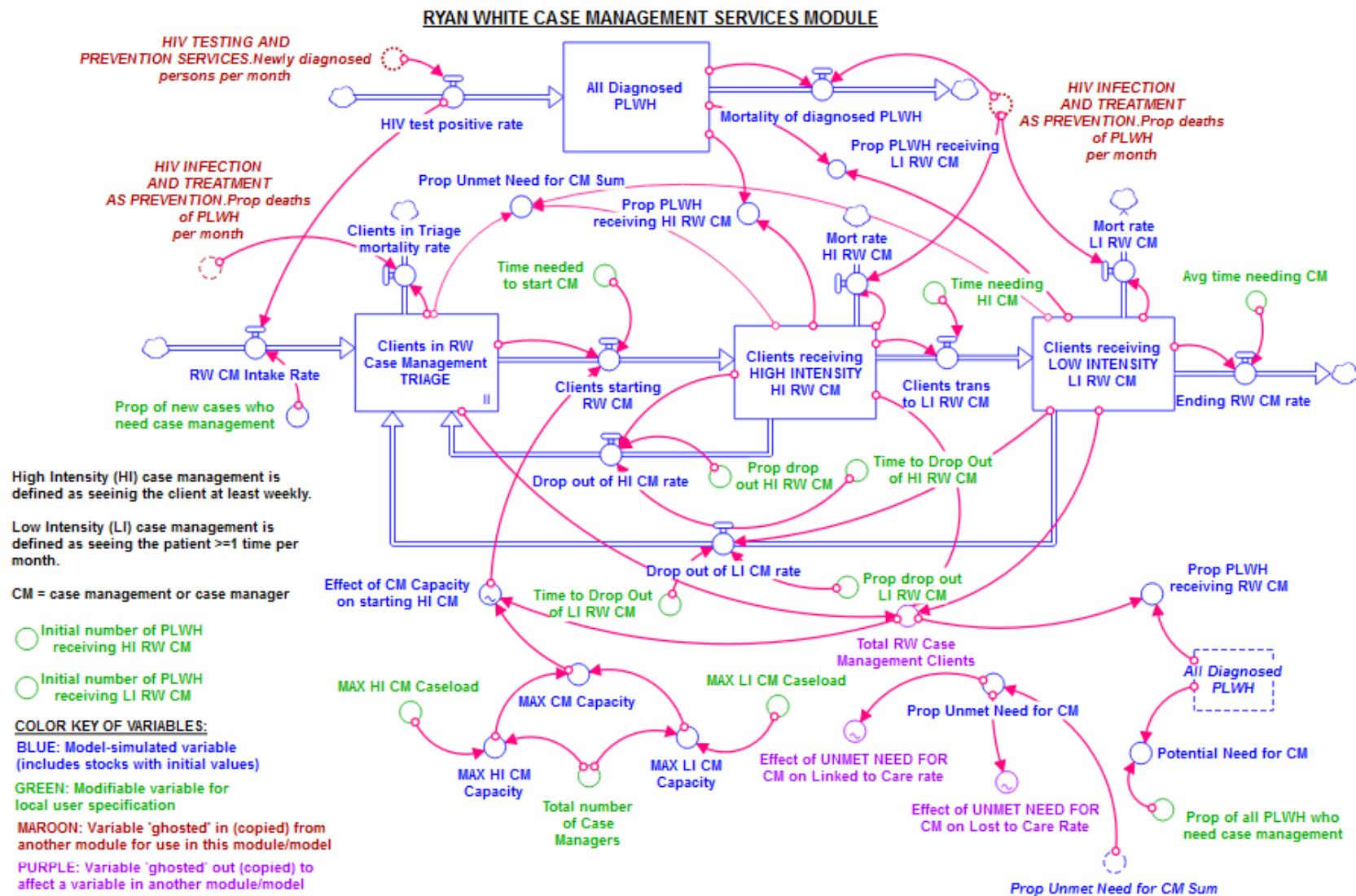
### SYSTEM DYNAMICS MODEL OF THE HIV CARE CONTINUUM: TREATMENT AS PREVENTION, BASIC SERVICES, AND ACTION STRATEGIES TO REDUCE HIV COMMUNITY VIRAL LOAD



## Ryan White Case Management Services Module: Causal Loop Diagram (CLD)



## Ryan White Case Management Services Module: Stock/Flow Model



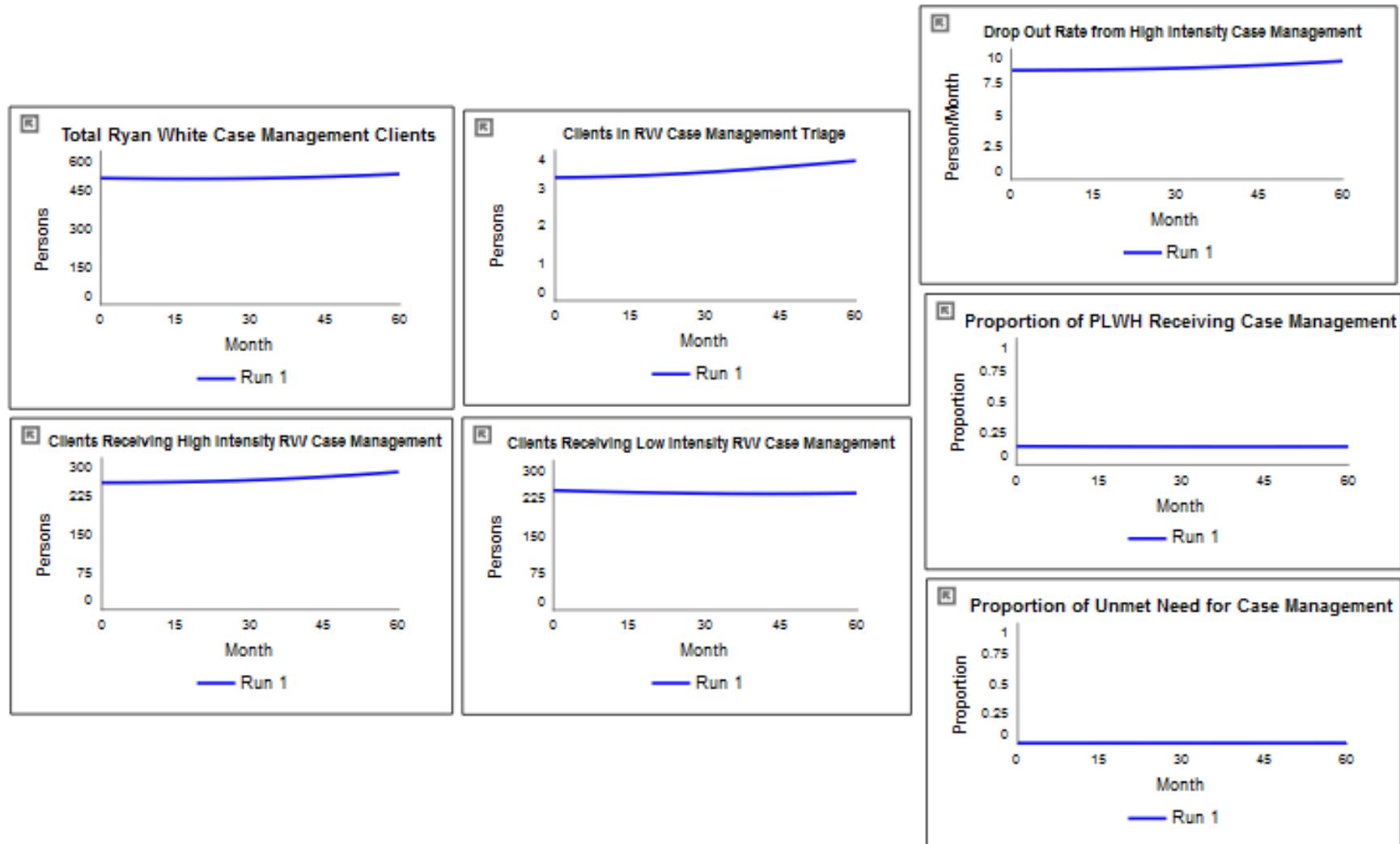
## Ryan White Case Management Services Module: Key Modifiable Variables

### RYAN WHITE CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES MODULE CALIBRATION WORKSHEET

#### ESTIMATES USED IN THE BASE MODEL

Catchment area: Hartford TGA				
YEAR USED FOR INITIAL ESTIMATES:	Actual number used (units)	Equivalent to:	Codes:	
<b>Case Management Needs</b>				
Imported from Treatment as Prevention Module:				
Initial number of diagnosed PLWH	3586 (persons)	3,628 PLWH in catchment area	1	
Initial number of PLWH receiving high intensity (HI) Ryan White case management	250 (persons)	250 PLWH	1	
Initial number of PLWH receiving low intensity (LI) Ryan White case management	250 (persons)	250 PLWH	1	
Proportion of new HIV cases who need case management	0.33	33% of all PLWH	1	
Proportion of all PLWH who need case management (CM)	0.13	13% of all PLWH	1	
Proportion of high intensity Ryan White CM clients who drop out of HI RW CM	0.20	20% of HI case management clients	1	
Time (it takes) for HI CM clients to drop out of HI RW CM	6 (months)	6 months	1	
Proportion of low intensity Ryan White CM clients who drop out of LI RW CM	0.10	10% of LI case management clients	1	
Time (it takes) for LI CM clients to drop out of LI RW CM	12 (months)	1 year	1	
<b>Ryan White Case Management Delivery</b>				
Time needed to start case management	0.25 (months)	1 week	2	
(Expected) time needing high intensity (HI) case management (CM) services	60 (months)	5 years	1	
Average time needing (LI) case management services	120 (months)	10 years	1	
<b>Ryan White Case Management Capacity</b>				
Total number of Ryan White case managers (full time equivalent [FTE]) in catchment area	18 (persons)	Total of 18 FTE (full-time + part-time)	2	
Additional or fewer RW case managers (for use in simulating comparison runs)	0	(set to 0 until changed)	2	
Maximum high intensity (HI) case management caseload	20	20 clients/ case manager	2	
Maximum low intensity (LI) case management caseload	25	25 clients/ case manager	2	
Codes:	1	Conditions of the Population and the Epidemic		
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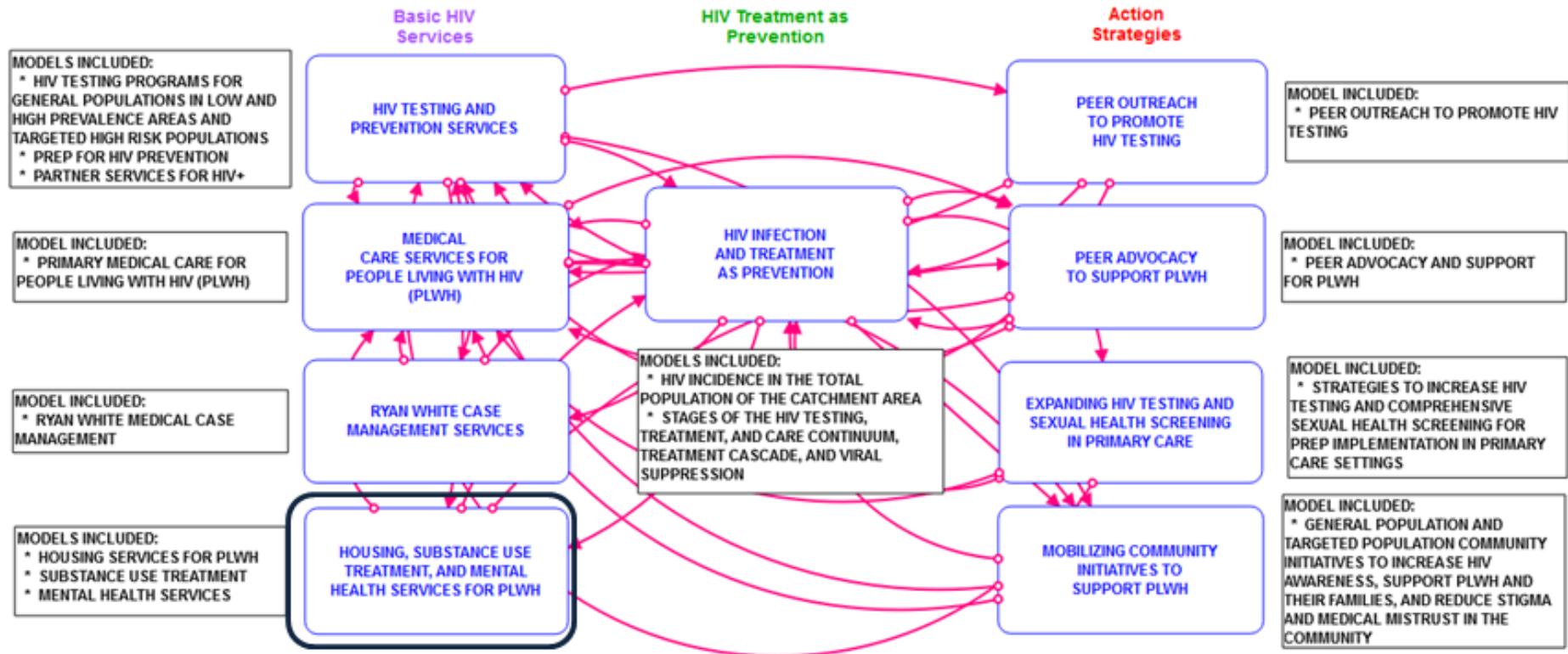
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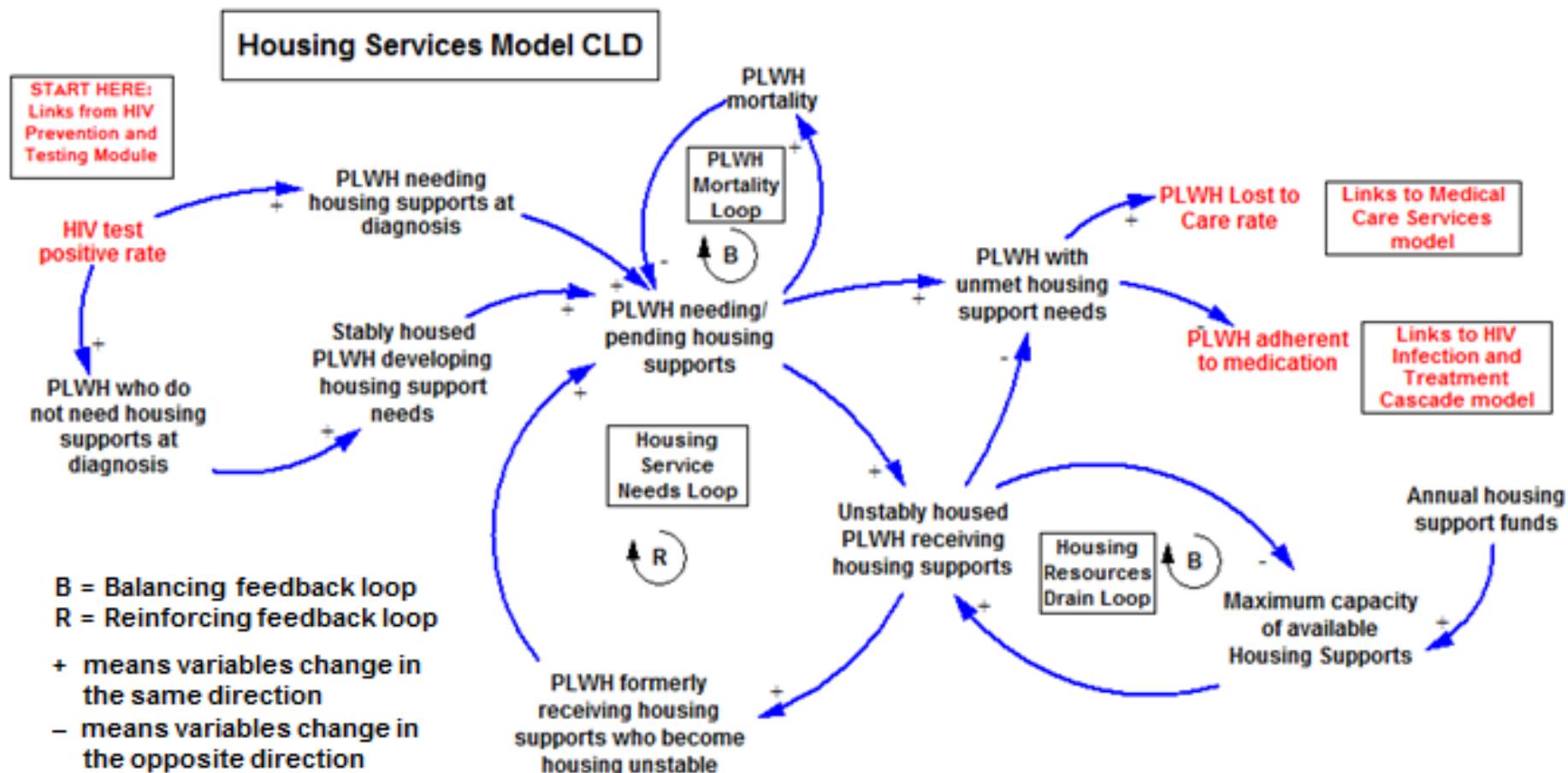
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## Chapter 5: HOUSING, SUBSTANCE USE TREATMENT, AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR PLWH MODULE: Housing Services Model

### SYSTEM DYNAMICS MODEL OF THE HIV CARE CONTINUUM: TREATMENT AS PREVENTION, BASIC SERVICES, AND ACTION STRATEGIES TO REDUCE HIV COMMUNITY VIRAL LOAD



## Housing, Substance Use Treatment, and Mental Health Services for PLWH Module: Housing Services Model: Causal Loop Diagram (CLD)



## Housing, Substance Use Treatment, and Mental Health Services for PLWH Module: Housing Services Stock/Flow Model

### HOUSING INSTABILITY AND PROVISION OF HOUSING SUPPORTS TO PLWH

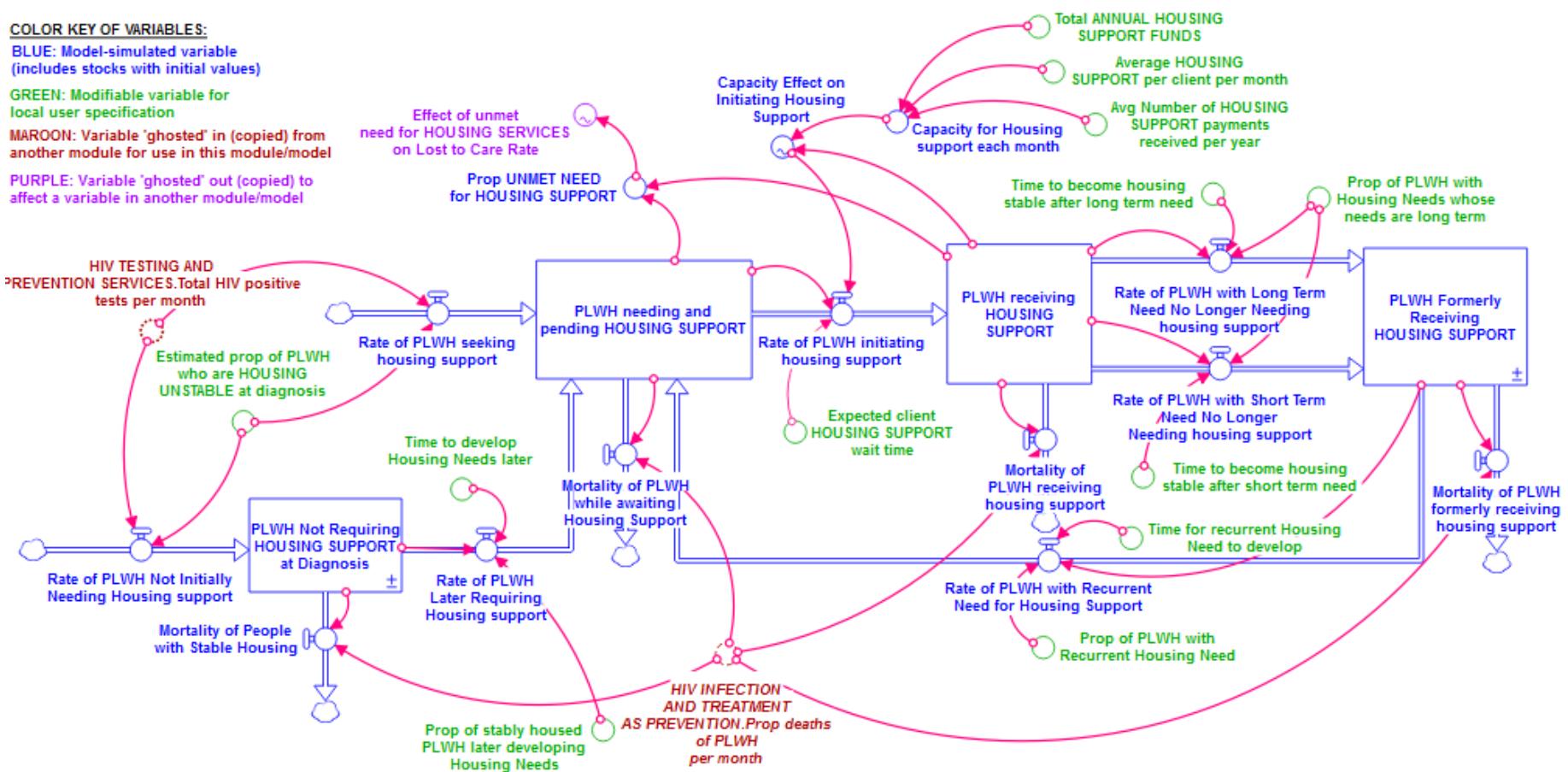
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# Housing, Substance Use Treatment, and Mental Health Services for PLWH Module: Housing Services Model: Key Modifiable Variables

## SUPPORT SERVICES FOR PLWH AND FOR PERSONS AT RISK MODULE CALIBRATION WORKSHEET

ESTIMATES USED IN THE BASE MODEL			
CATCHMENT AREA		Hartford TGA	
HOUSING SERVICES		ESTIMATES USED IN THE BASE MODEL	
YEAR USED FOR INITIAL ESTIMATES:	2016	Actual number used (units)	Equivalent to: Codes:
<b>Housing Conditions of the Population</b>			
Estimated proportion of PLWH who are HOUSING UNSTABLE at diagnosis	0.30	30% of all PLWH	1
Proportion of stably housed PLWH (at diagnosis) later developing housing needs	0.05	5% of PLWH stably housed at diagnosis	1
(Expected) time to develop housing needs later (after not needing them at HIV diagnosis)	48 (months)	4 years	1
Proportion of PLWH with housing needs whose needs are long-term	0.60	60% of PLWH with housing needs	1
Time to become Housing Stable after long-term need (with housing services)	120 (months)	10 years	1
Time to become Housing Stable after short-term need (with housing services)	12 (months)	1 year	1
Proportion of PLWH with recurrent housing needs	0.20	20% of PLWH stably housed after services	1
(Expected) time for recurrent housing needs to develop	36 (months)	3 years	1
<b>Housing Support Resources</b>			
Total ANNUAL HOUSING SUPPORT FUNDS	\$2,100,000	\$2,100,000 annually	2
Additional or Fewer Housing Support funds (for modeling to simulate different scenarios)	\$0	(0 until changed during modeling)	2
Average HOUSING SUPPORT per client	\$750	\$750/payment per month	2
Average number of HOUSING SUPPORT payments received per year	12	12 payments per year	2
<b>Housing Support Service Delivery</b>			
Expected client housing support wait time	2 (months)	2 months wait time	2
New higher or lower housing support wait time (for model simulation variations)	2 (months)	(same as expected until changed)	2
Codes:	1	Conditions of the Population and the Epidemic	
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# Housing, Substance Use Treatment, and Mental Health Services for PLWH Module: Housing Services Model

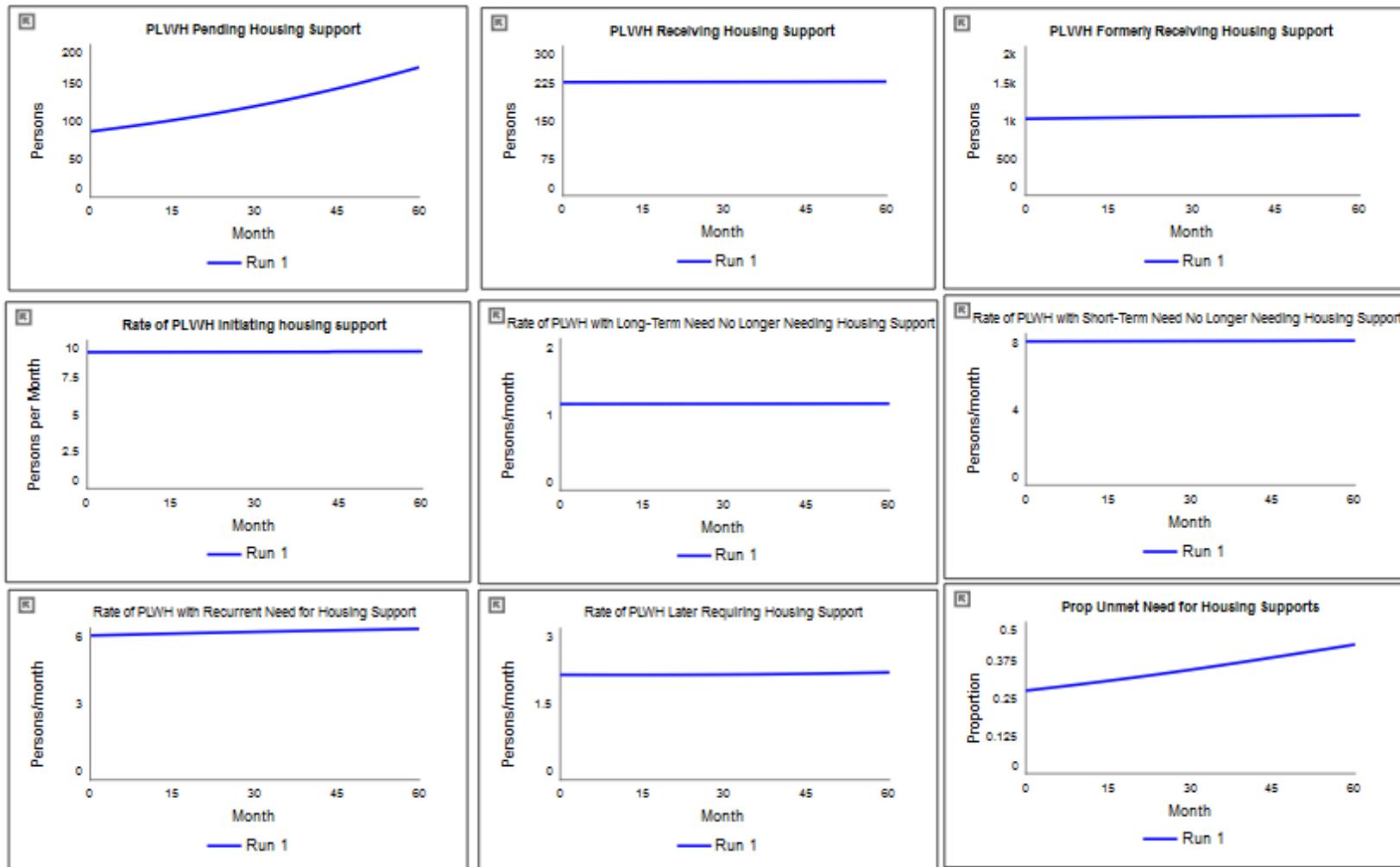
## Sample Housing Programs for Model Calibrations

### SUPPORT SERVICES FOR PLWH AND FOR PERSONS AT RISK MODULE CALIBRATION WORKSHEET

#### ESTIMATES USED IN THE BASE MODEL

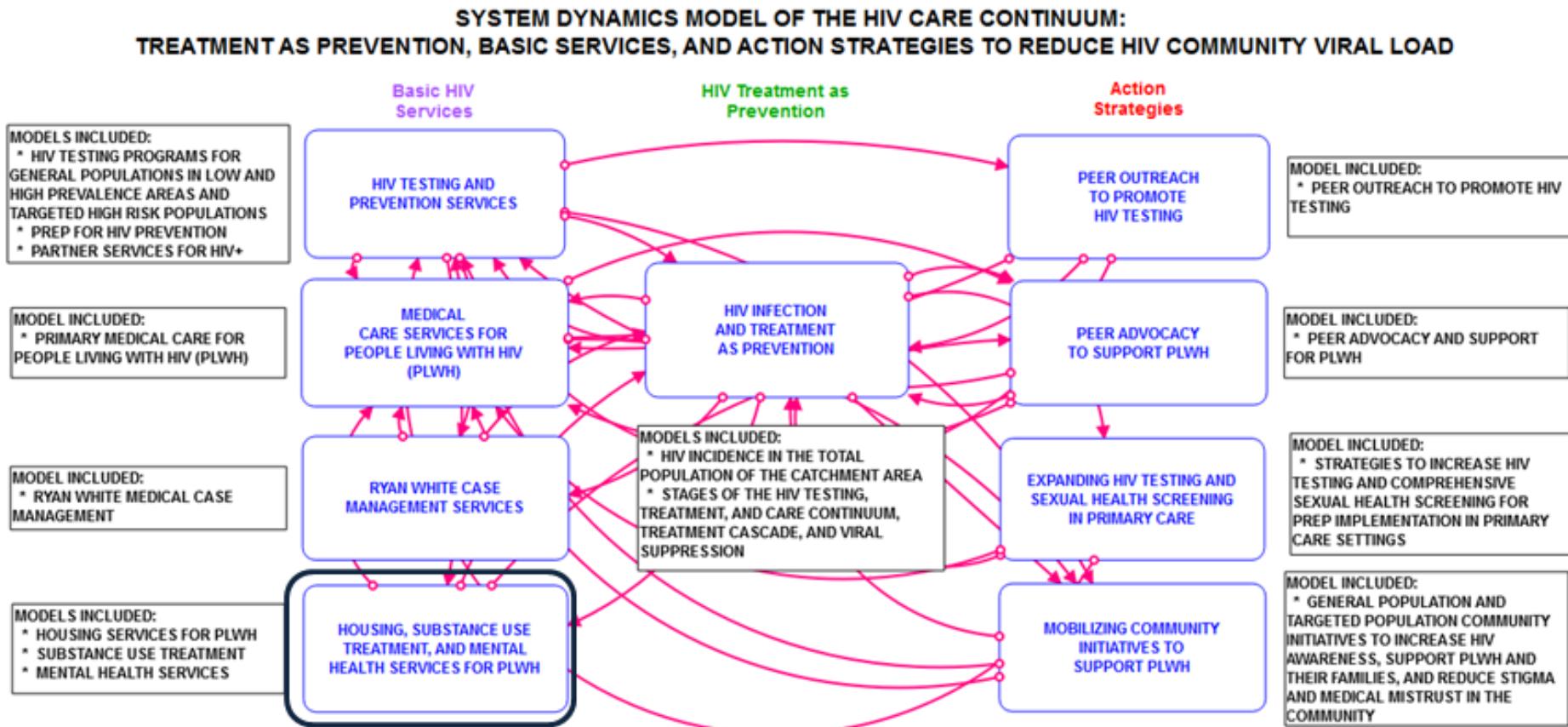
CATCHMENT AREA		Hartford TGA						
Initial number of diagnosed PLWH		3,637 PLWH in catchment area						
HOUSING SERVICES AVAILABLE IN THE CATCHMENT AREA		(2 years provided for comparative purposes; 2015 numbers used)						
		Total housing clients served		Dollars spent		Cost per person		Reach (% of total clients served)
HOUSING SERVICE PROGRAMS		YR 2015	YR 2016	YR 2015	YR 2016	YR 2015	YR 2016	YR 2015 YR 2016
Permanent housing units for People Living with HIV (PLWH) [est rent/mo \$1,000/unit]		47	47	\$564,000	\$564,000	\$12,000	\$12,000	15.6% 17.2%
Scattered site units dedicated for PLWH [est rent/mo \$1,000 for each unit]		111	111	\$1,332,000	\$1,332,000			36.8%
Housing support coordination		49	26	\$88,388	\$80,567	\$1,804	\$3,099	16.2% 9.5%
Step down housing support		8	6	\$43,405	\$42,102	\$5,426	\$7,017	2.6% 2.2%
Transitional housing units		20	16	\$117,741	\$101,208	\$5,887	\$6,326	6.6% 5.8%
One-time housing assistance		16	0	\$19,308	\$0	\$1,207	#DIV/0!	5.3% 0.0%
Rental Subsidies		51	68	\$69,885	\$69,120	\$1,370	\$1,016	16.9% 24.8%
TOTAL HOUSING CLIENTS SERVED IN CATCHMENT AREA, TOTAL HOUSING FUNDS, AND COST PER CLIENT SERVED		302	274	\$2,234,727	\$2,188,997	\$7,400	\$7,989	100.0% 100.0%

## Housing, Substance Use Treatment, and Mental Health Services for PLWH Module: Housing Services Model Base Case Run Output Graphs\*

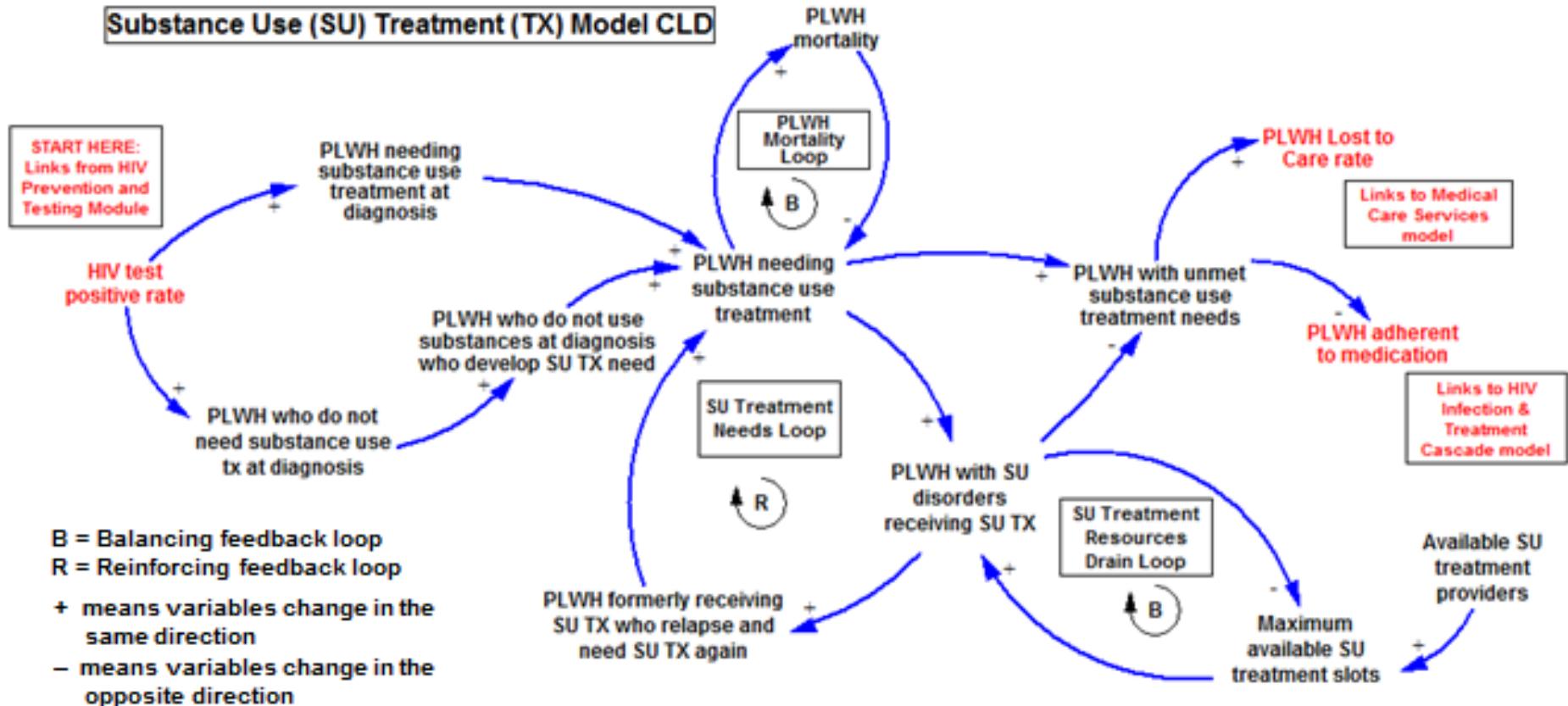


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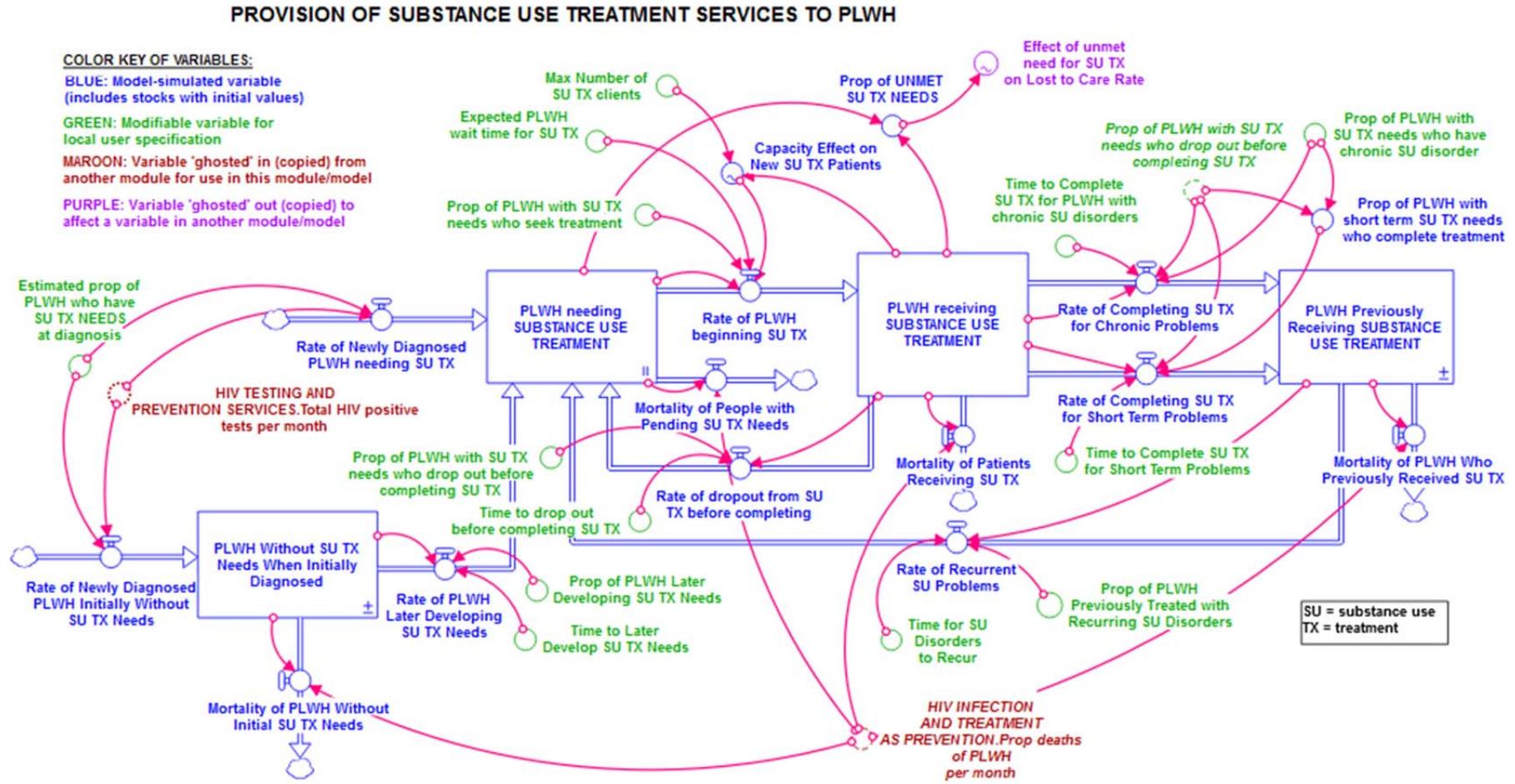
## Chapter 6: HOUSING, SUBSTANCE USE TREATMENT, AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR PLWH MODULE: Substance Use Treatment Model



## Housing, Substance Use Treatment, and Mental Health Services for PLWH Module: Substance Use Treatment Services Model: Causal Loop Diagram (CLD)



## Housing, Substance Use Treatment, and Mental Health Services for PLWH Module: Substance Use Treatment Services Stock/Flow Model

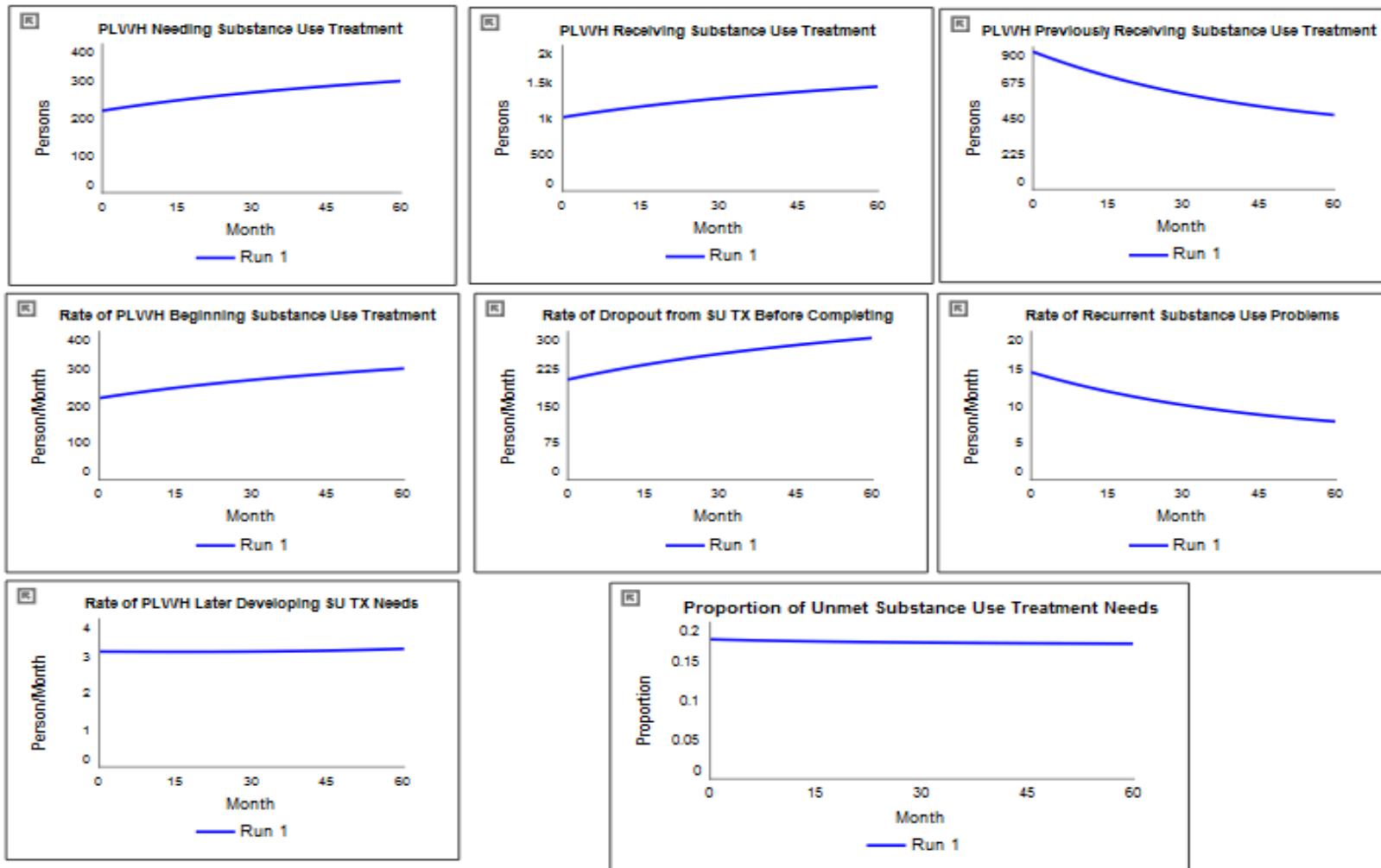


# Housing, Substance Use Treatment, and Mental Health Services for PLWH Module: Substance Use Treatment Services Model: Key Modifiable Variables

## SUPPORT SERVICES FOR PLWH AND FOR PERSONS AT RISK MODULE CALIBRATION WORKSHEET

ESTIMATES USED IN THE BASE MODEL			
CATCHMENT AREA	Hartford TGA		
SUBSTANCE USE TREATMENT SERVICES		ESTIMATES USED IN THE BASE MODEL	
YEAR USED FOR INITIAL ESTIMATES:	2016	Actual number used (units)	Equivalent to: Codes:
<b>Substance Use Conditions of the Population</b>			
Estimated proportion of PLWH have substance use (SU) treatment (TX) needs at diagnosis	0.30	30% of all PLWH in the catchment area	1
Proportion of (non substance using) PLWH (at diagnosis) later developing SU TX needs	0.05	5% of non SU PLWH at diagnosis	1
(Expected) time to develop SU TX needs later (after not needing them at HIV diagnosis)	24 (months)	2 years	1
Proportion of PLWH with SU TX needs who seek treatment	0.50	50% of all PLWH with SU TX needs	1
Proportion of PLWH with SU TX needs who drop out before completing SU TX	0.60	60% of PLWH who start SU TX	1
(Expected) time to drop out (of SU TX) before completing Su TX	3 (months)	3 months	1
Proportion of PLWH with SU TX needs who have chronic SU disorder	0.20	20% of PLWH with SU TX needs	1
Time to complete SU TX for PLWH with chronic SU disorders	120 (months)	10 years	1
Time to complete SU TX for short-term problems	24 (months)	2 years	1
Proportion of PLWH previously treated with recurring SU disorders	0.40	40% of PLWH who previously got SU TX	1
(Expected) time for SU disorders to recur (after previously receiving SU TX)	24 (months)	2 years	1
<b>Substance Use Treatment Resources</b>			
Maximum number of SU TX clients (in the catchment area, including PLWH and non-PLWH)	2000	2000 people (PLWH and non-PLWH)	2
<b>Substance Use Treatment Delivery</b>			
Expected PLWH wait time for SU TX	0.5 (months)	2 weeks wait time	2
Codes:	1	Conditions of the Population and the Epidemic	
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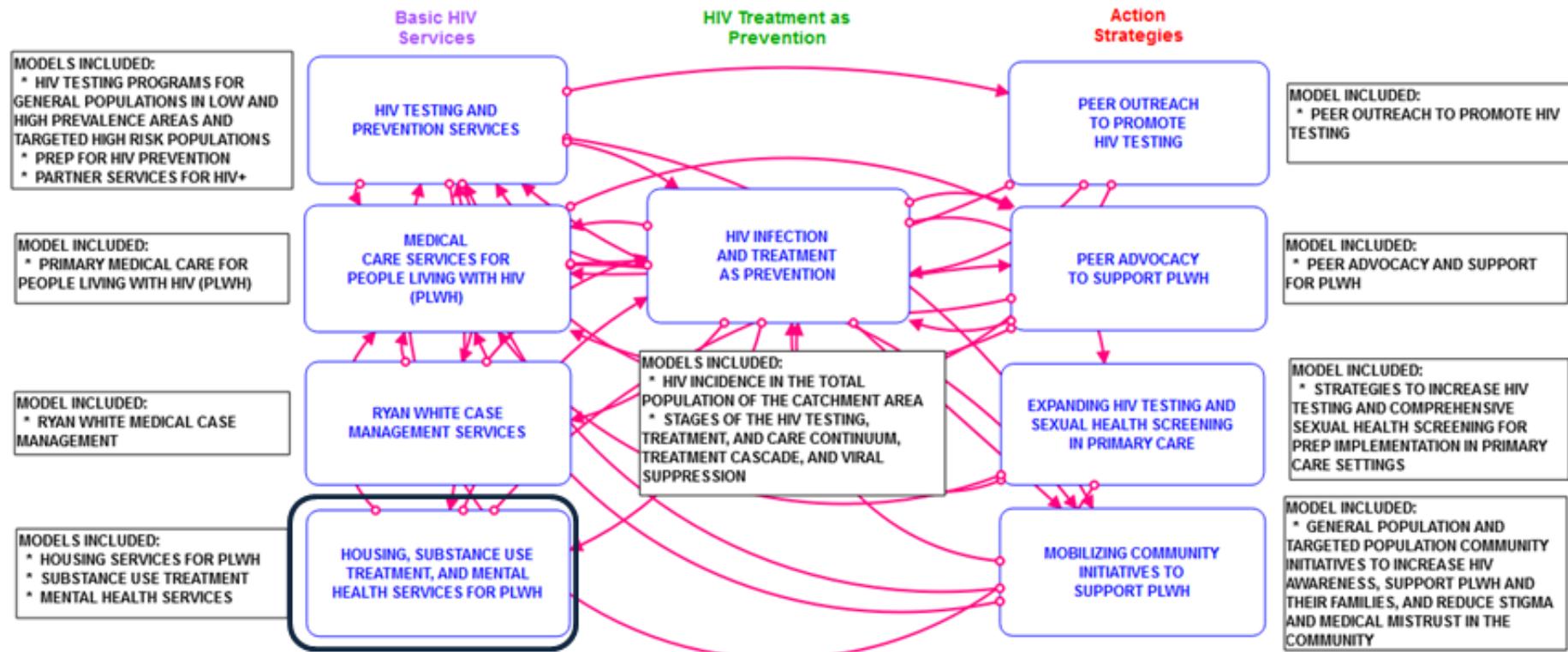
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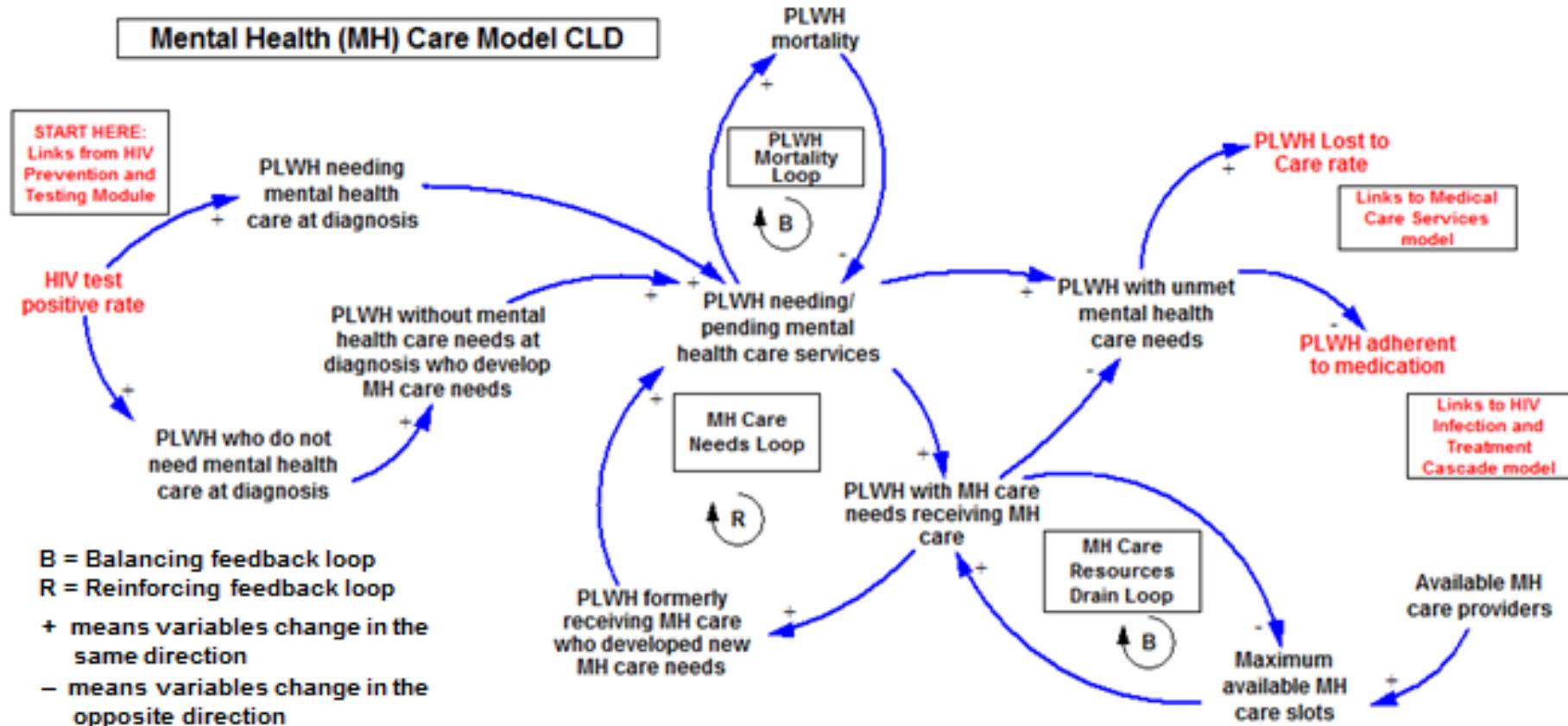
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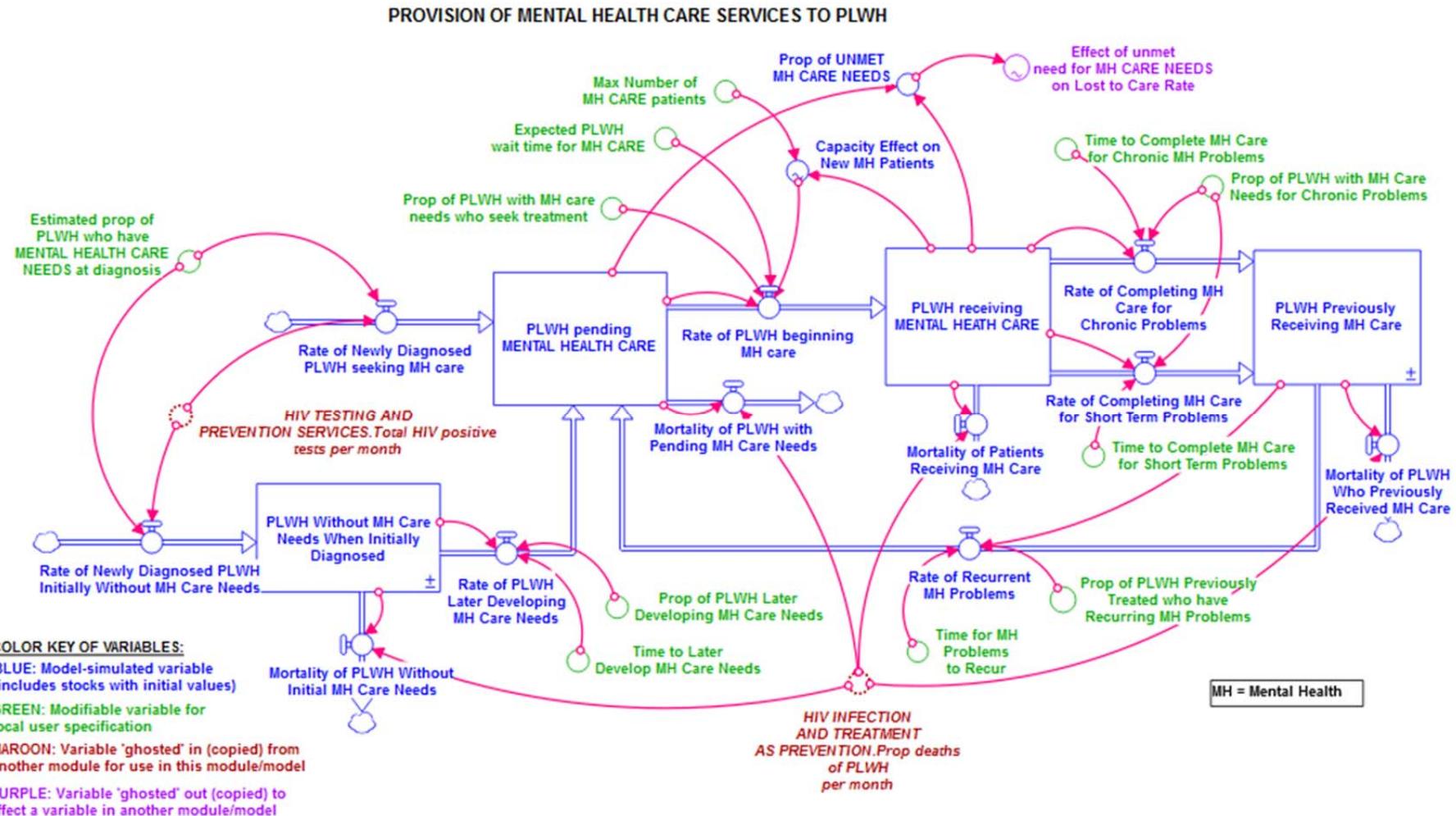
### SYSTEM DYNAMICS MODEL OF THE HIV CARE CONTINUUM: TREATMENT AS PREVENTION, BASIC SERVICES, AND ACTION STRATEGIES TO REDUCE HIV COMMUNITY VIRAL LOAD



## Housing, Substance Use Treatment, and Mental Health Services for PLWH Module: Mental Health Services Model: Causal Loop Diagram (CLD)



## Housing, Substance Use Treatment, and Mental Health Services for PLWH Module: Mental Health Services Stock/Flow Model

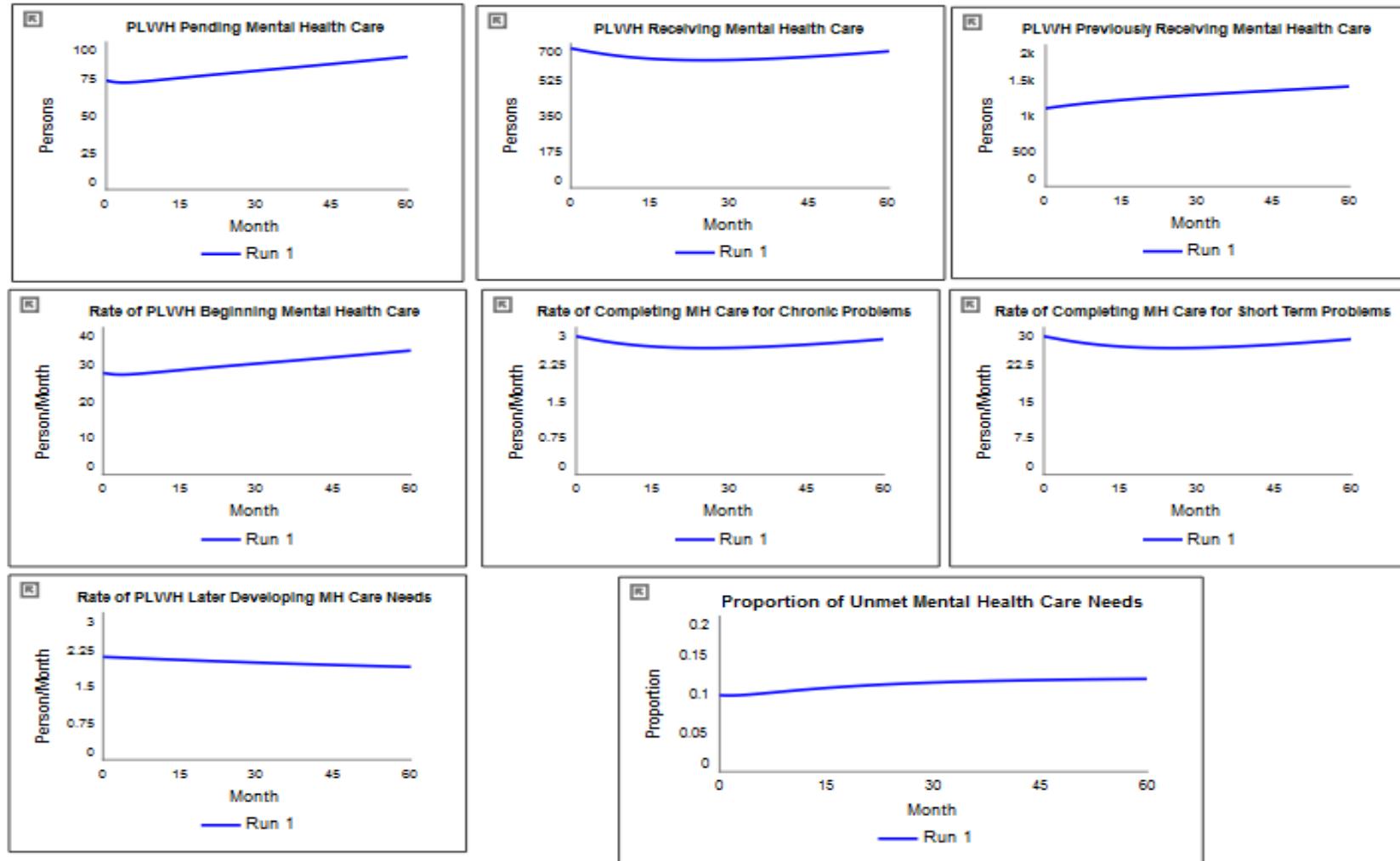


# Housing, Substance Use Treatment, and Mental Health Services for PLWH Module: Mental Health Services Model: Key Modifiable Variables

## SUPPORT SERVICES FOR PLWH AND FOR PERSONS AT RISK MODULE CALIBRATION WORKSHEET

CATCHMENT AREA		ESTIMATES USED IN THE BASE MODEL		
MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES		ESTIMATES USED IN THE BASE MODEL		
YEAR USED FOR INITIAL ESTIMATES:	2016	Actual number used (units)	Equivalent to:	Codes:
<b>Mental Health Conditions of the Population</b>				
Estimated proportion of PLWH have mental health (MH) care needs at diagnosis		0.75	75% of all PLWH at diagnosis	1
Proportion of PLWH (with no MH care needs at diagnosis) later developing MH care needs		0.05	5% of non SU PLWH at diagnosis	1
(Expected) time to develop MH care needs later (after not needing them at HIV diagnosis)		36 (months)	3 years	1
Proportion of PLWH with MH care needs who seek treatment		0.75	75% of all PLWH with SU TX needs	1
Proportion of PLWH with MH care needs who have chronic MH problems		0.50	50% of PLWH with MH care needs	1
Time to complete MH care for PLWH with chronic MH problems		120 (months)	10 years	1
Time to complete MH care for short-term problems		12 (months)	1 year	1
Proportion of PLWH previously provided MH care with recurring MH problems		0.40	40% of PLWH who previously got MHC	1
(Expected) time for MH problems to recur (after previously receiving MH care)		24 (months)	2 years	1
<b>Mental Health Care Resources</b>				
Maximum number of MH care patients (in the catchment area, including PLWH and non-PLWH)		750	750 people (PLWH and non-PLWH)	2
<b>Mental Health Care Delivery</b>				
Expected PLWH wait time for MH care		2.0 (months)	2 months wait time	2
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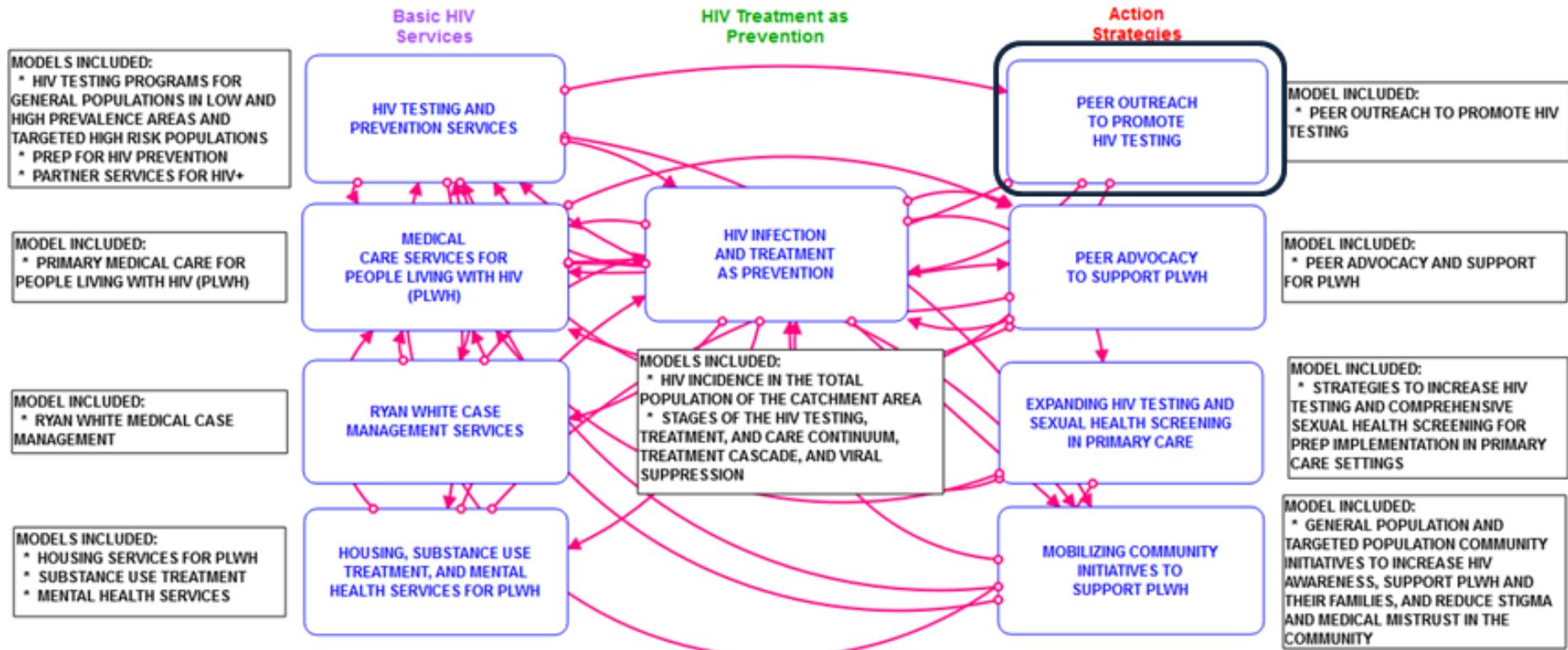
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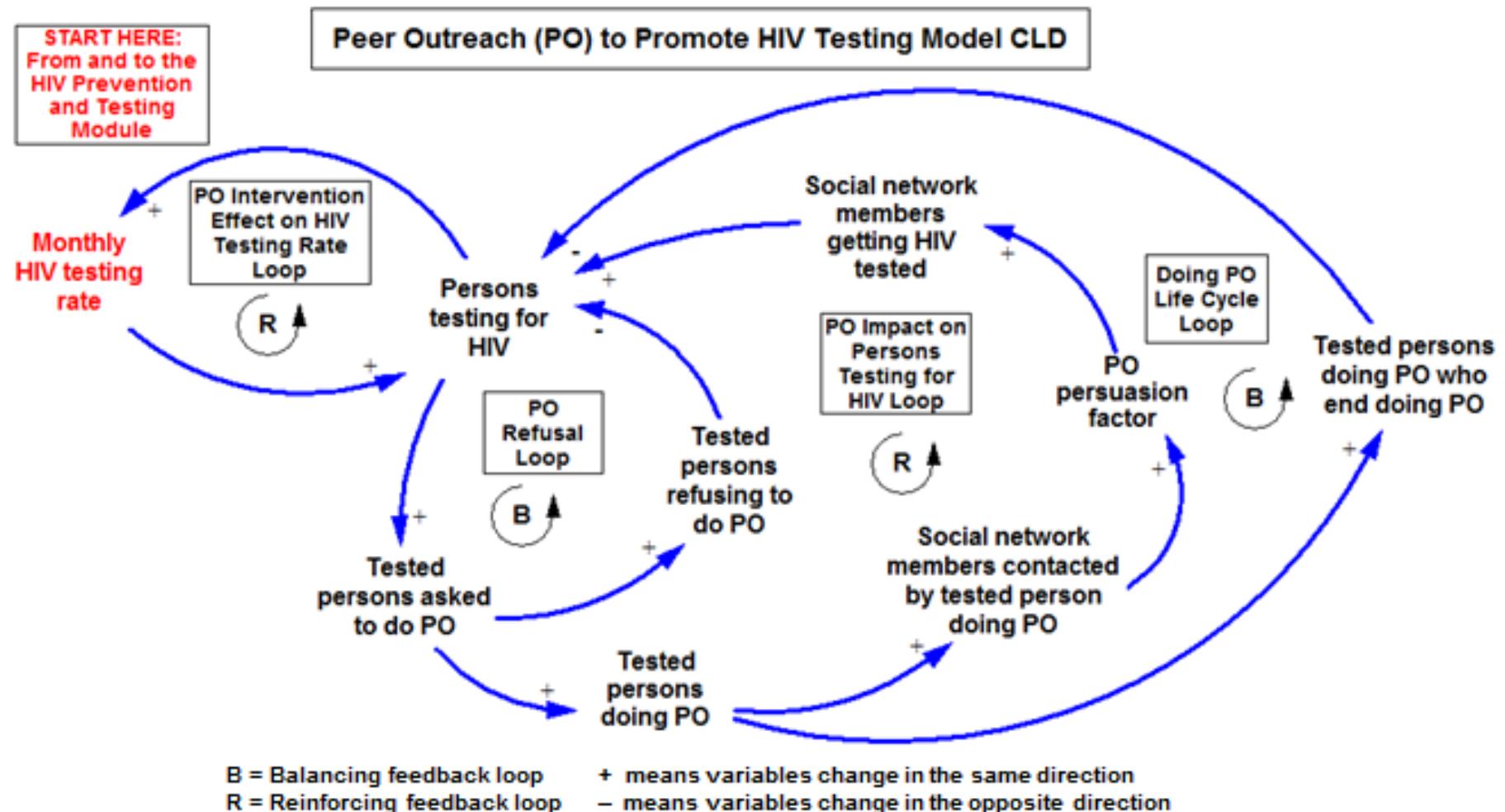
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## Chapter 8: PEER OUTREACH TO PROMOTE HIV TESTING MODULE

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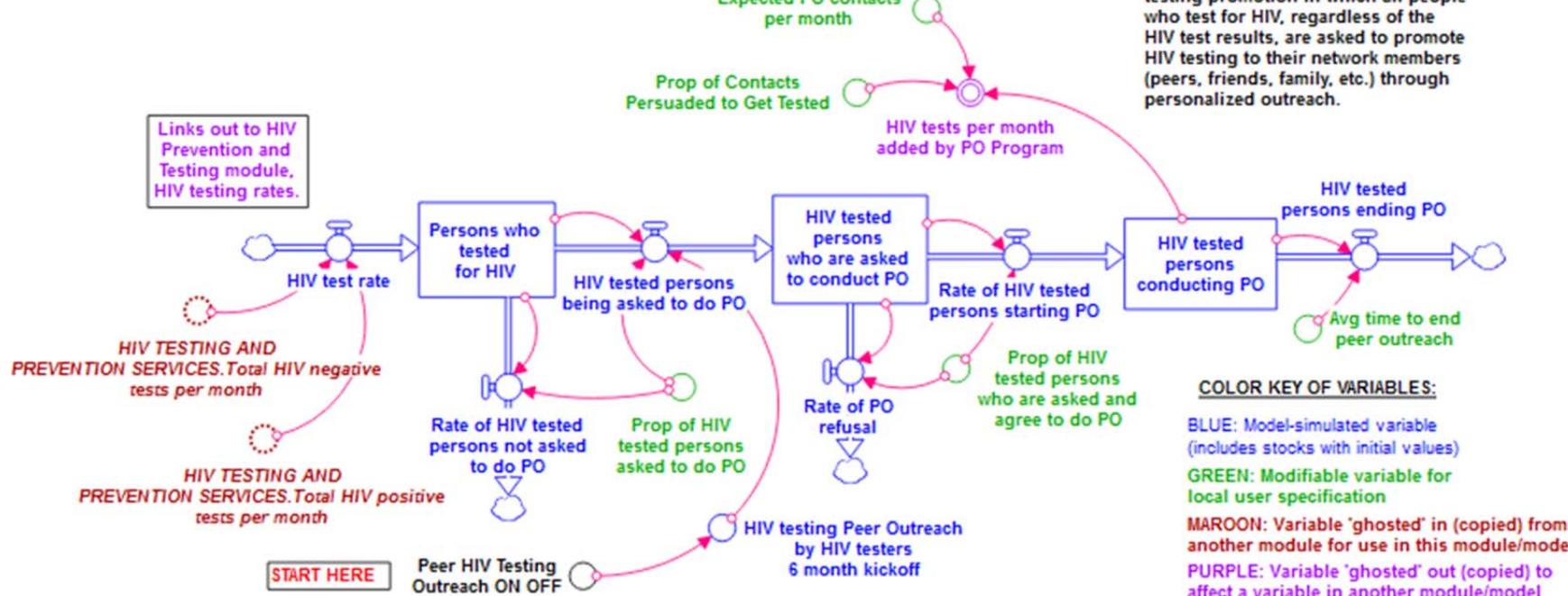


## Peer Outreach to Promote HIV Testing Module: Causal Loop Diagram (CLD)



## Peer Outreach to Promote HIV Testing Module: Stock/Flow Model

### PEER OUTREACH TO PROMOTE HIV TESTING

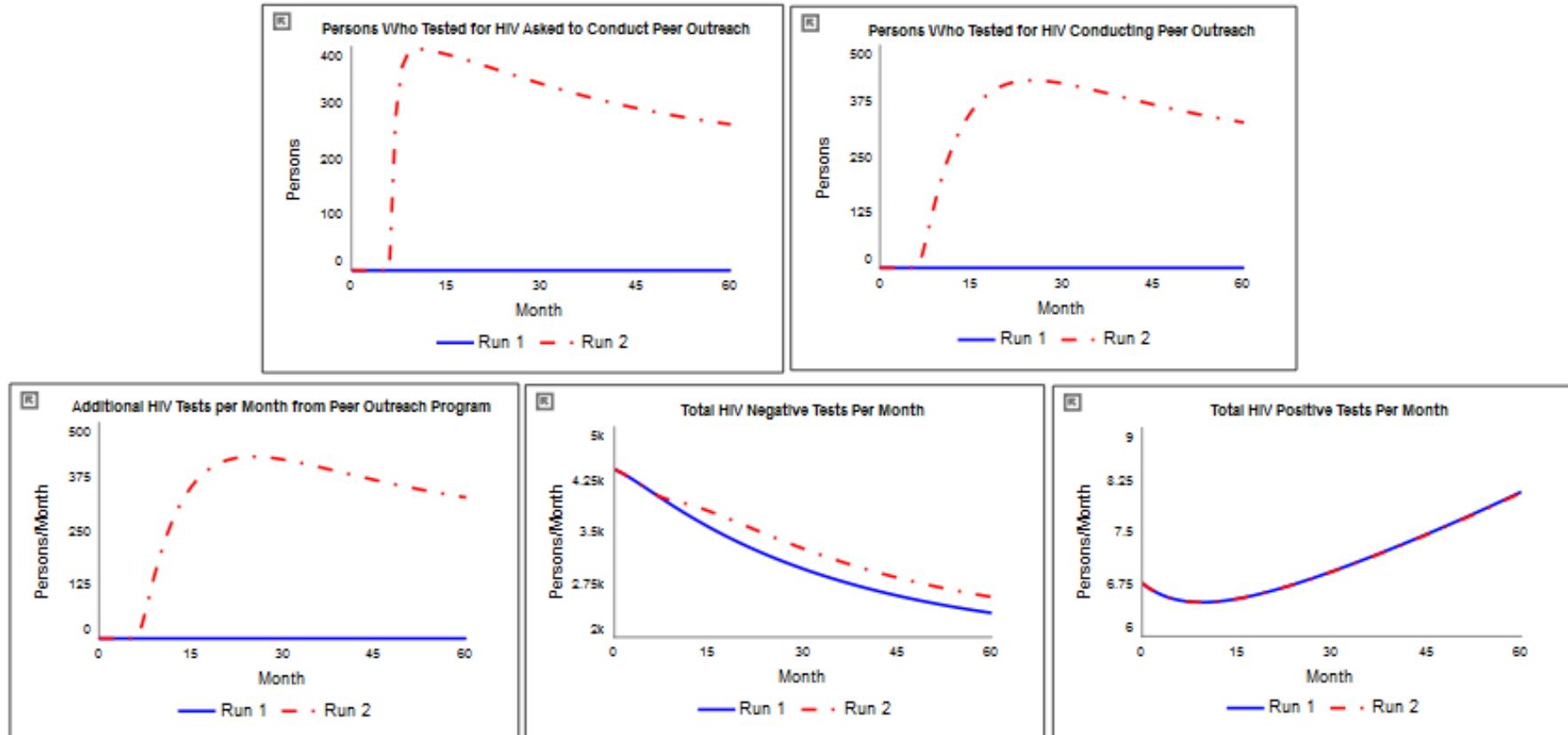


## Peer Outreach to Promote HIV Testing Stock/Flow Module: Key Modifiable Variables

### PEER OUTREACH TO PROMOTE HIV TESTING MODULE CALIBRATION WORKSHEET

<b>ESTIMATES USED IN THE BASE MODEL</b>				
Catchment area: <b>Hartford TGA</b>				
<b>YEAR USED FOR INITIAL CALCULATIONS:</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>Actual number used (units)</b>	<b>Equivalent to:</b>	<b>Codes:</b>
<b>PEER OUTREACH (PO) FOR HIV TESTING</b>				
Proportion of tested persons asked to do PO (encourage network members to HIV test)		0.10	10% of people who get an HIV test	3
Proportion of tested persons who agree to do PO		0.20	20% of tested persons per month	3
Average time to end (stop doing) peer outreach for HIV testing		6	(months) 6 months	3
Expected "Peer Outreach" (PO) contacts (by tested person) per month		2	(persons) 2 people/month	3
Average tested person's degree of peer outreach persuasiveness (Multiplier)		1.25	25% persuasive power	3
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Codes:	1	<b>Conditions of the Population and the Epidemic</b>		
	2	<b>Service Delivery Conditions and Protocols</b>		
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## Peer Outreach to Promote HIV Testing Stock/Flow Module: Base Case Run Output Graphs\*



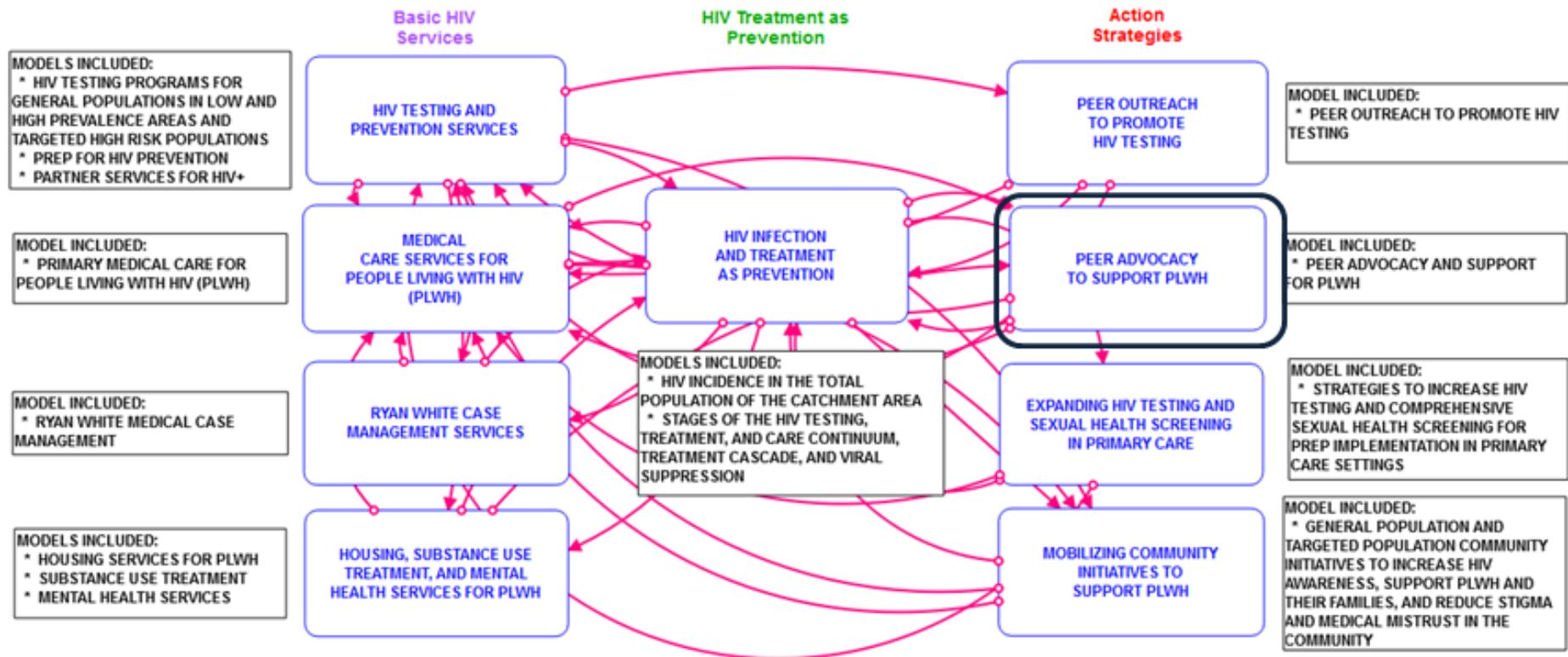
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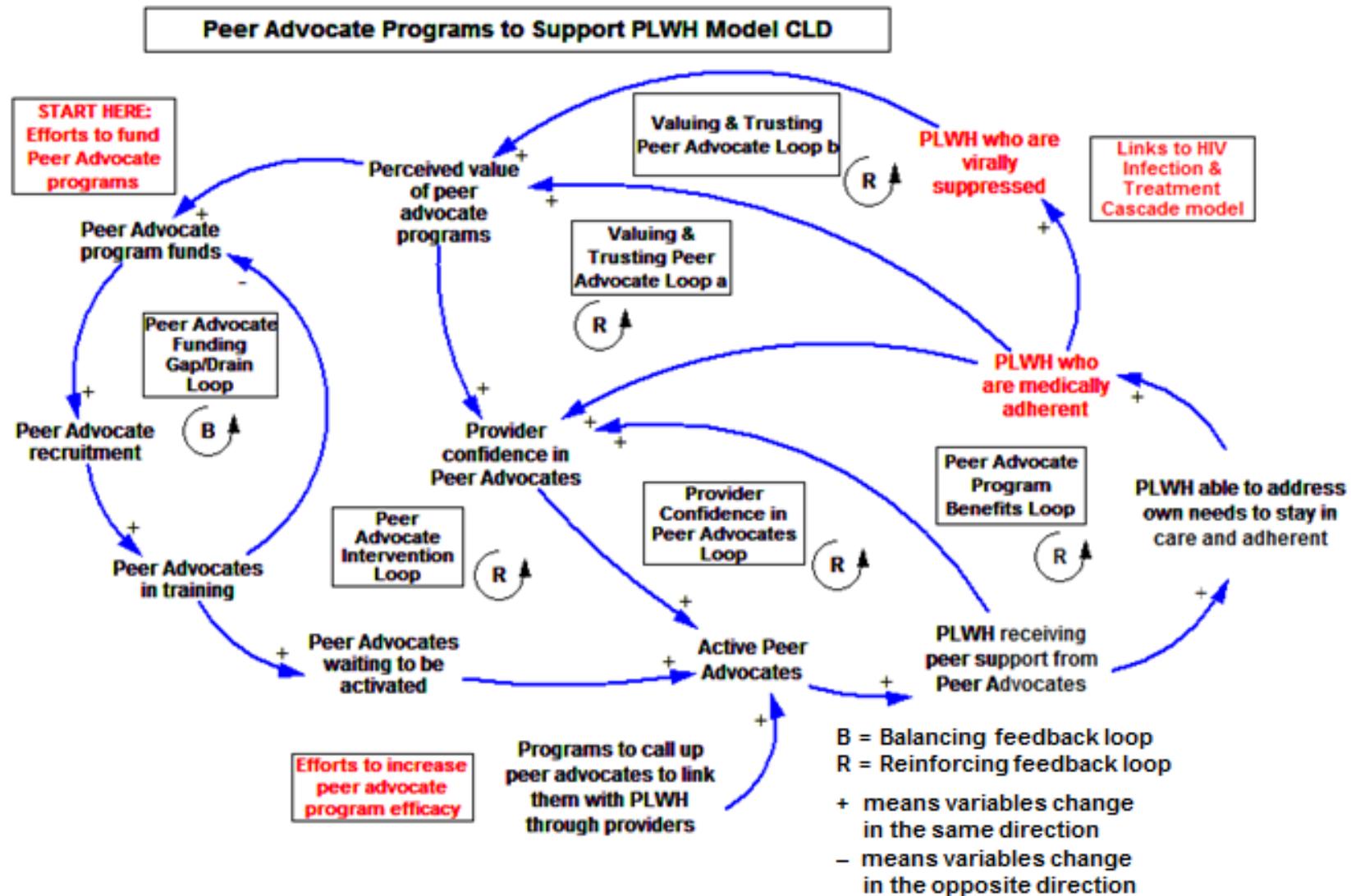
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## Chapter 9: PEER ADVOCACY TO SUPPORT PLWH MODULE

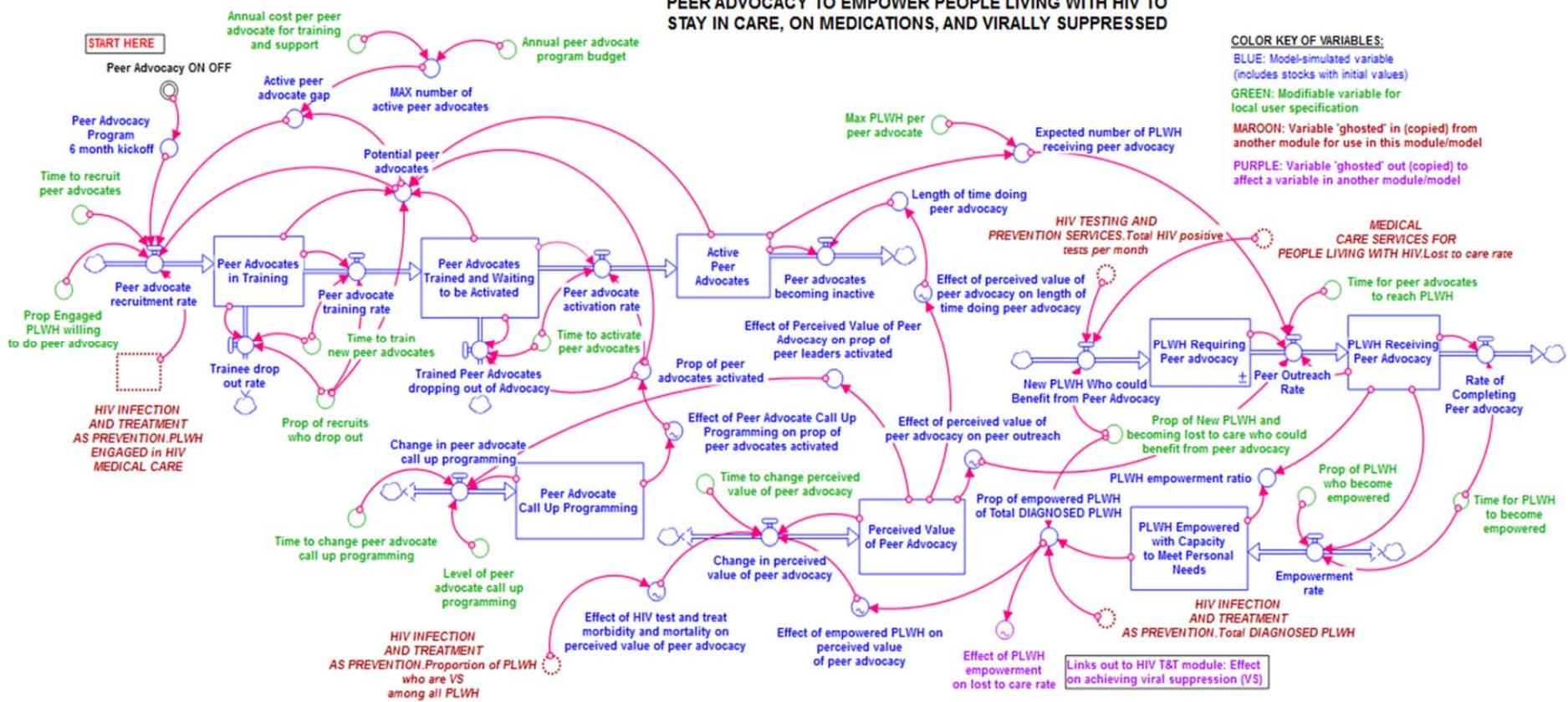
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## Peer Advocacy to Support PLWH Module: Causal Loop Diagram (CLD)



## Peer Advocacy to Support PLWH Module: Stock/Flow Model



## Peer Advocacy to Support PLWH Module: Key Modifiable Variables

### PEER ADVOCACY TO SUPPORT PLWH MODULE CALIBRATION WORKSHEET

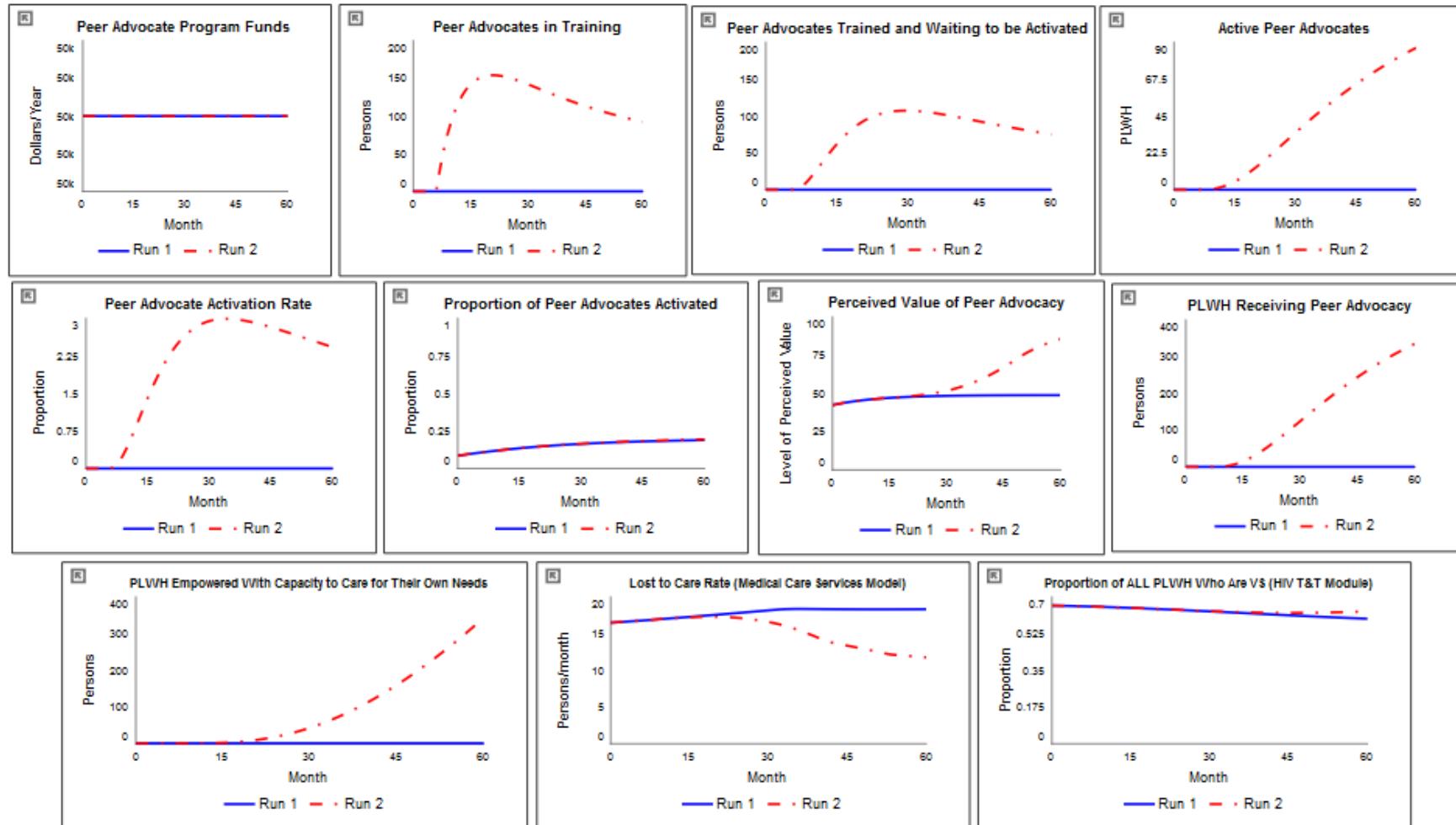
**ESTIMATES USED IN THE BASE MODEL**

**Catchment area: Hartford TGA**

YEAR USED FOR INITIAL CALCULATIONS:	NA	Actual number used	Equivalent to:	Codes:
<b>PEER ADVOCACY RESOURCES</b>				
Annual peer advocate program budget		50000 (dollars)	\$50,000 per year	3
Annual cost per peer advocate for training and support		250 (dollars)	\$250/year per peer advocate	3
<b>PEER ADVOCACY PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION</b>				
Time (needed) to recruit peer advocates		6 (months)	6 months	3
Time needed to train new peer advocates		6 (months)	6 months	3
Proportion of recruits who drop out (of peer advocate training)		0.25	25% of peer leaders in training	3
Time (needed) to activate trained peer advocates		6 (months)	6 months	3
Time needed to change peer advocacy call-up programming		12 (months)	1 year	3
Level of peer advocate call-up programming   Range 0 - 100		20	On a scale of 0-100: 20	3
Time (needed) to change perceived value of peer advocacy		12 (months)	1 year	3
Maximum PLWH per peer advocate (maximum capacity of peer advocate)		4 (persons)	4 PLWH per peer advocate	3
Proportion of new PLWH and those becoming lost to care who could benefit from peer advocacy support		0.50	50% of new PLWH or those becoming lost to care	1
Time needed for peer advocates to reach PLWH		3 (months)	3 months	3
Time (needed) for PLWH (who received peer advocacy) to become empowered (to care for their own health needs)		12 (months)	1 year	3
Proportion of PLWH who become empowered (after receiving peer advocacy)		0.50	50% of PLWH who receive peer advocacy	3

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## Peer Advocacy to Support PLWH Module: Base Case Run Output Graphs\*



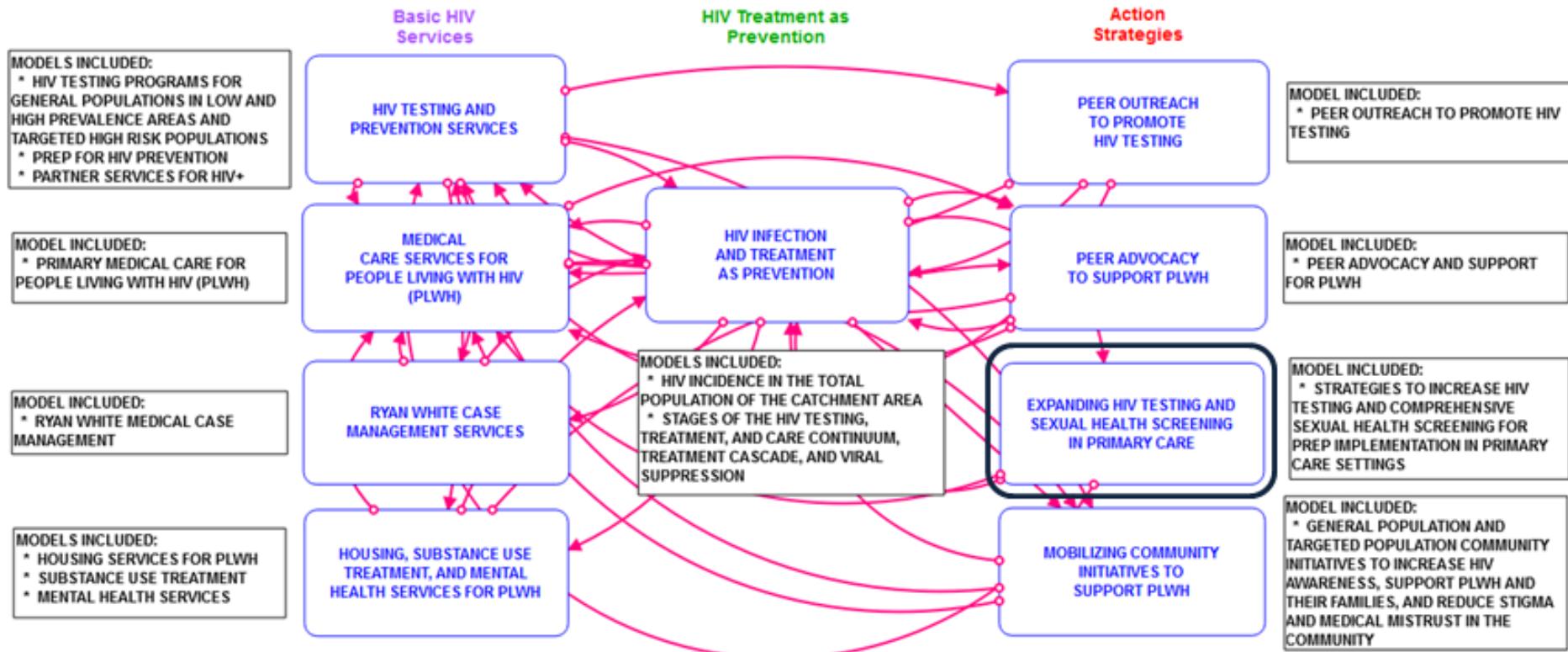
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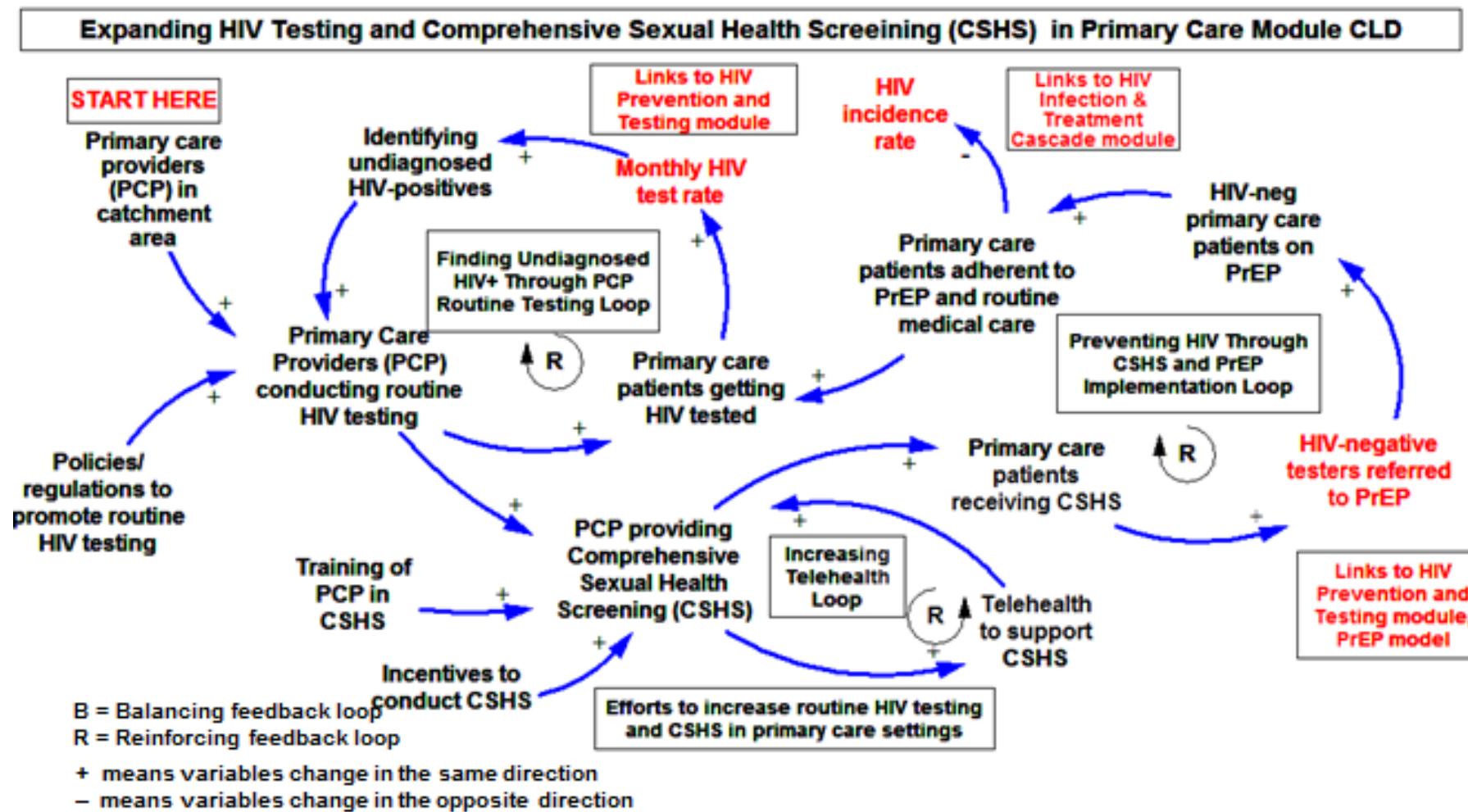
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## Chapter 10: EXPANDING HIV TESTING AND SEXUAL HEALTH SCREENING IN PRIMARY CARE MODULE

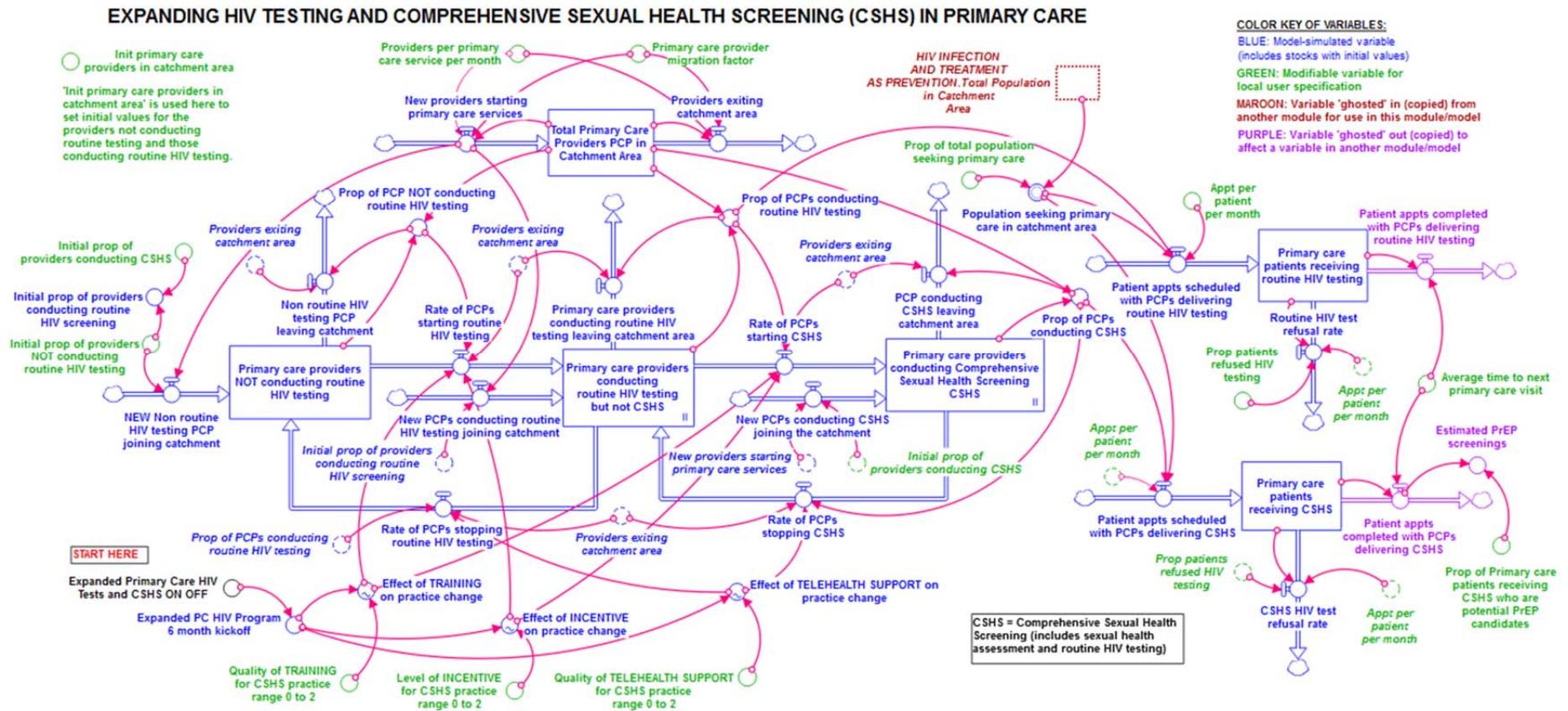
### SYSTEM DYNAMICS MODEL OF THE HIV CARE CONTINUUM: TREATMENT AS PREVENTION, BASIC SERVICES, AND ACTION STRATEGIES TO REDUCE HIV COMMUNITY VIRAL LOAD



## Expanding HIV Testing and Sexual Health Screening in Primary Care Module: Causal Loop Diagram (CLD)



# Expanding HIV Testing and Sexual Health Screening in Primary Care Module: Stock/Flow Model



# Expanding HIV Testing and Sexual Health Screening in Primary Care

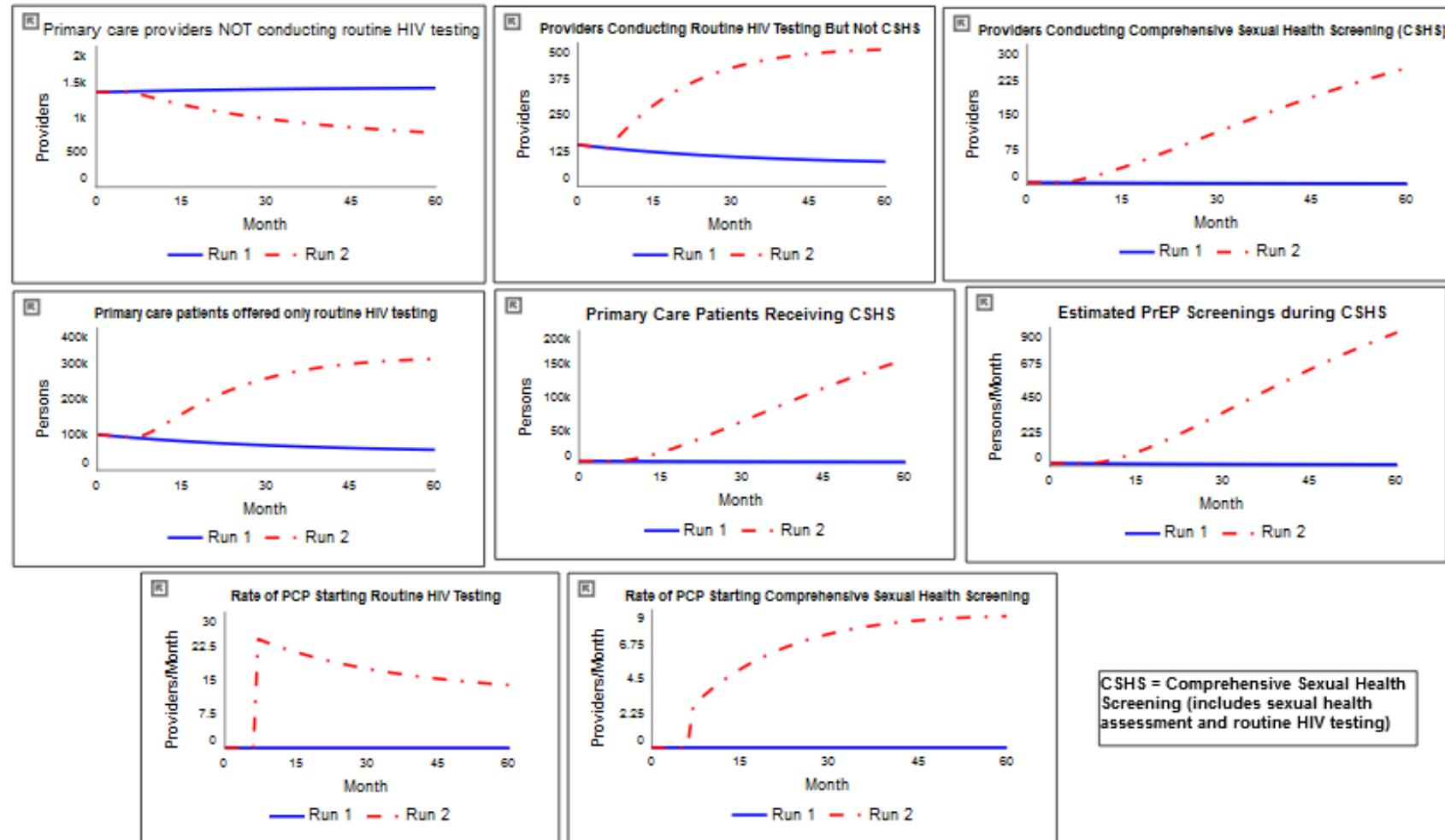
## Module: Key Modifiable Variables

### EXPANDING HIV TESTING IN PRIMARY CARE MODULE CALIBRATION WORKSHEET

#### ESTIMATES USED IN THE BASE MODEL

Catchment area: Hartford TGA				
YEAR USED FOR INITIAL ESTIMATES:	NA	Actual number used (units)	Equivalent to:	Codes:
<b>PRIMARY CARE PROVIDERS IN THE AREA</b>				
Initial # of primary care providers (PCPs) in catchment area	1500	(persons)	1,500 PCPs (MD, DO, PA, APRN)	1
Primary care provider migration factor (proportion of PCPs' in and out migration)	0.01		1% per month	1
Initial proportion of PCPs conducting comprehensive sexual health screenings (CSHS)	.005		0.5% (half of 1%)	2
Initial proportion of providers NOT conducting routine HIV testing	0.85		85%	2
Quality of training for CSHS practice (range of 0 to 2)	0		No (0), Low (1) High (2)	3
Level of incentives for CSHS practice (range of 0 to 2)	2		No (0), Low (1) High (2)	3
Quality of telehealth support for CSHS practice (range of 0 to 2)	2		No (0), Low (1) High (2)	3
<b>PATIENTS IN THE AREA</b>				
Proportion of TOTAL population in the catchment area seeking primary care	0.25		25% of the local population	1
Proportion of patients who refuse HIV testing	0.25		25% of patients	1
Proportion of primary care patients receiving CSHS who are potential PrEP candidates	0.10		10% of patients receiving CSHS	1
Average time to next primary care visit	18	(months)	1 and 1/2 years	2
Appointments per patient per month	1	(1/month)	one appointment per year	4
Codes:	1	Conditions of the Population and the Epidemic		
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## Expanding HIV Testing and Sexual Health Screening in Primary Care Module: Base Case Run Output Graphs\*



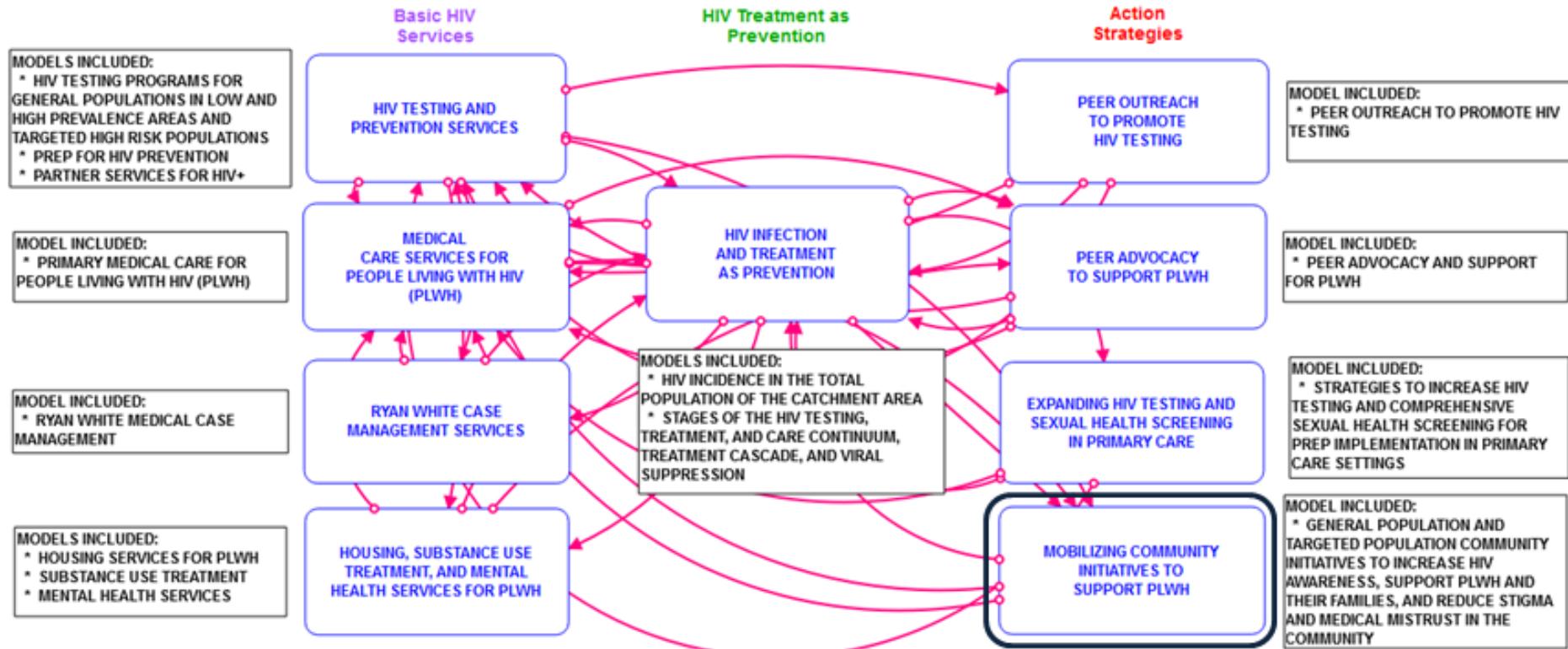
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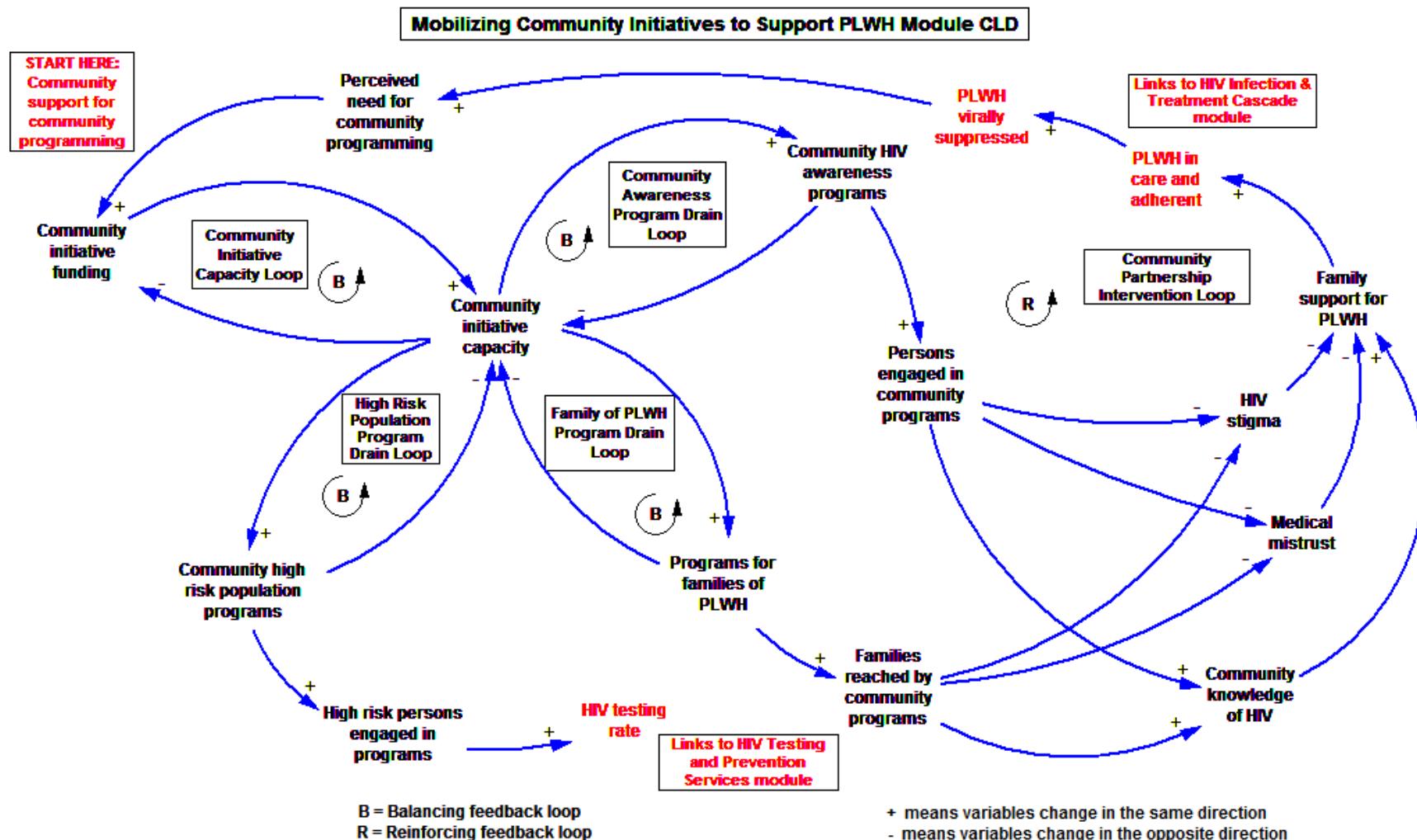
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## Chapter 11: MOBILIZING COMMUNITY INITIATIVES TO SUPPORT PLWH MODULE

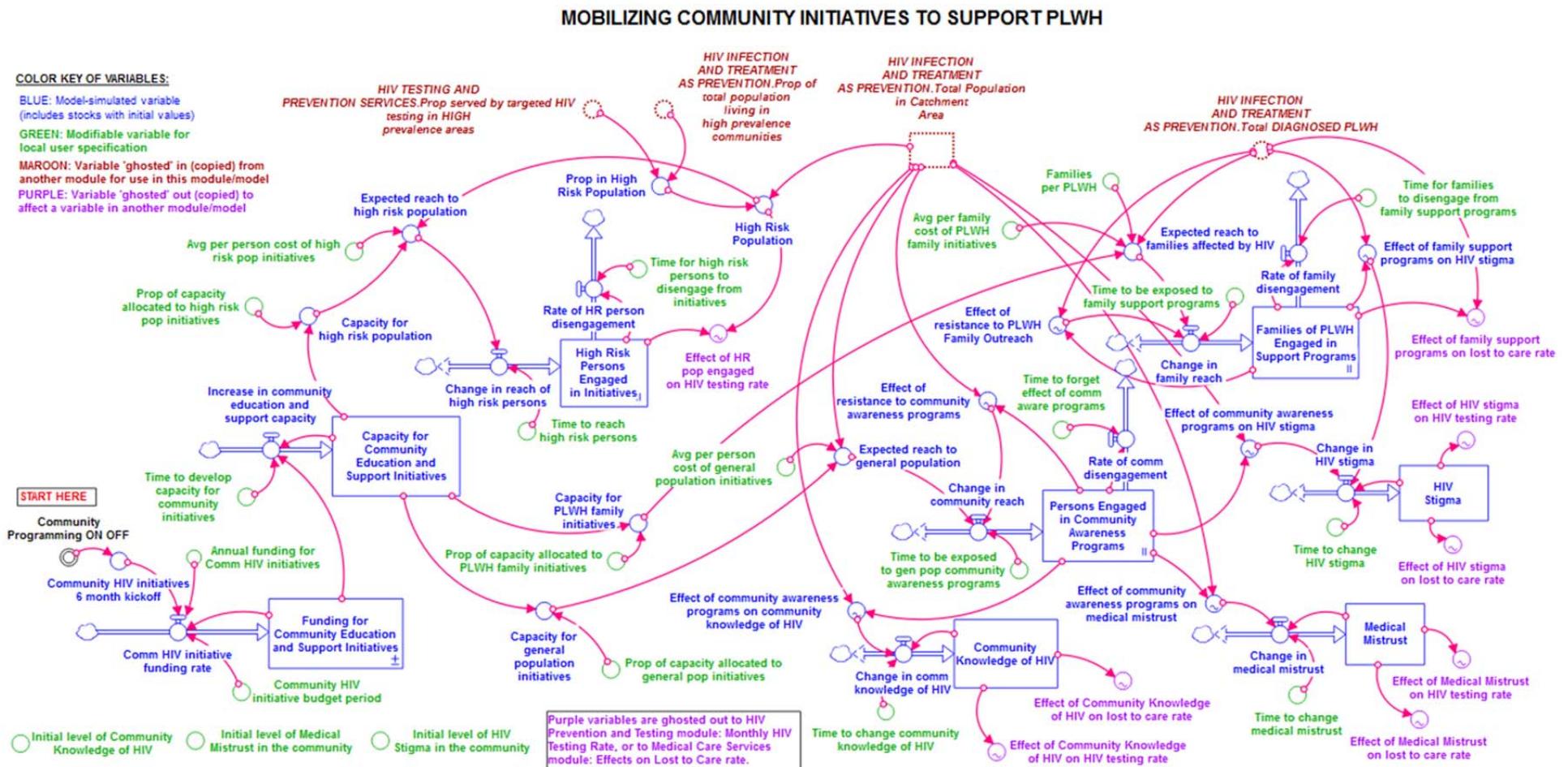
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## Mobilizing Community Initiatives to Support PLWH Module: Causal Loop Diagram (CLD)



# Mobilizing Community Initiatives to Support PLWH Module: Stock/Flow Model



# Mobilizing Community Initiatives to Support PLWH Module: Key Modifiable Variables

## MOBILIZING COMMUNITY INITIATIVES TO SUPPORT PLWH MODULE

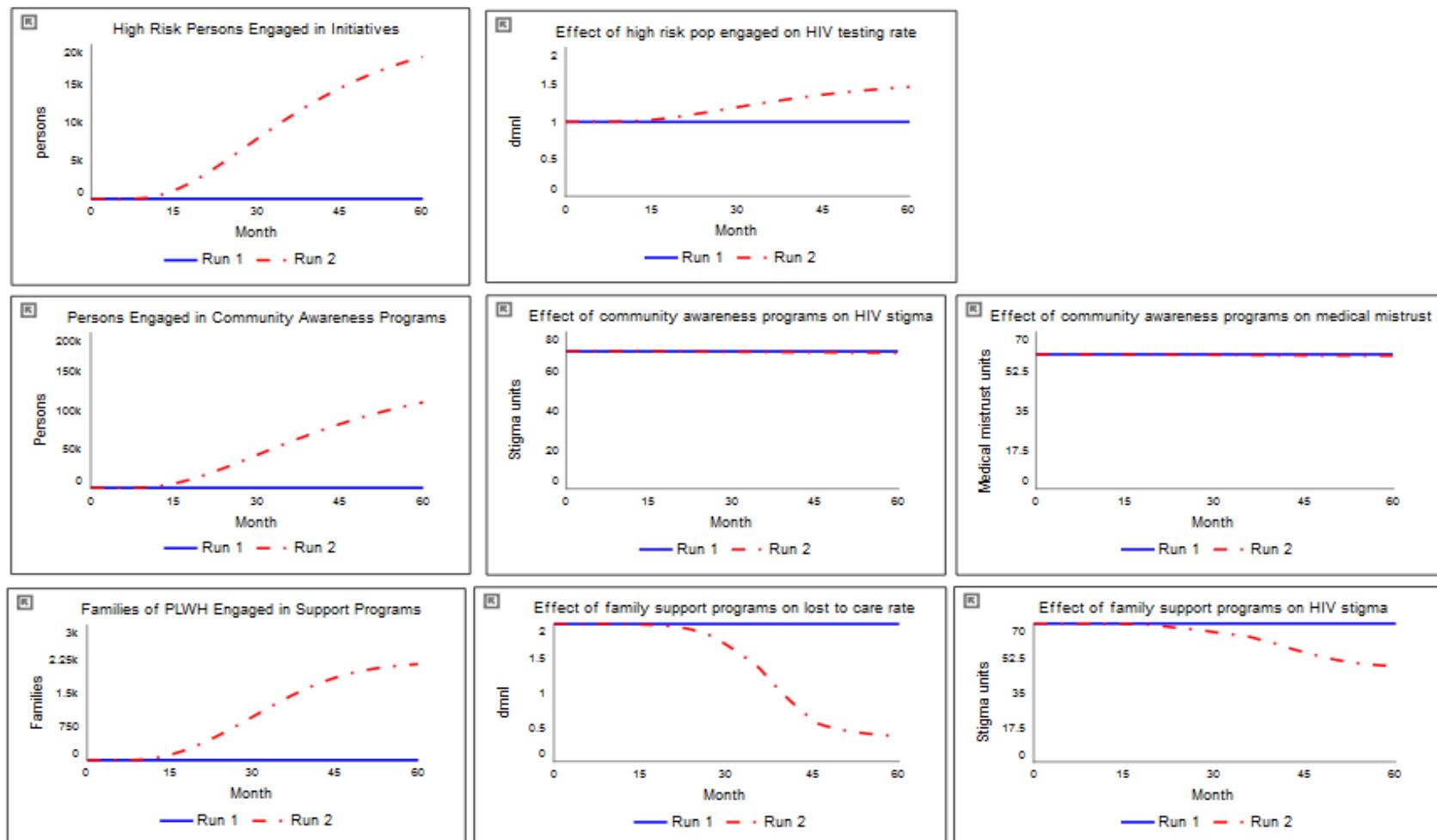
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### ESTIMATES USED IN THE BASE MODEL

Catchment area: Hartford **TGA**

YEAR USED FOR INITIAL ESTIMATES:	NA	Actual number used (units)	Equivalent to:	Code:
<b>COMMUNITY PROGRAMMING</b>				
Annual funding for community HIV initiatives	300000	(dollars)	\$300,000/year	3
Community HIV initiative budget period	12	(months)	1 year	3
Time to develop capacity for community initiatives	6	(months)	6 months	3
Proportion of capacity allocated to high risk population initiatives	0.50		50% of comm initiative dollars	3
Average per person cost of high risk population initiatives	10	(dollars)	\$10 per high risk person/yr.	3
Time (needed) to reach high risk persons (with initiatives)	12	(months)	1 year	3
Time (it takes) for high risk persons to disengage from initiatives	18	(months)	18 months	3
Proportion of capacity allocated to PLWH family initiatives	0.25		25% of comm initiative dollars	3
Average per family cost of PLWH family initiatives	50	(dollars)	\$50 per family/yr.	3
Time (needed) to be exposed to family support programs	12	(months)	1 year	3
Time (it takes) for families to disengage from family support programs	48	(months)	4 years	3
Proportion of capacity allocated to general population initiatives	0.25		25% of comm initiative dollars	3
Average per person cost of general population initiatives	1	(dollars)	\$1 per person/yr.	3
Time (needed) to be exposed to general population community awareness programs	12	(months)	1 year	3
Time (it takes) to forget effect of community awareness programs	24	(months)	2 years	3
Families per PLWH	1		1 family per PLWH	1
<b>IMPACT OF COMMUNITY PROGRAMMING</b>				
Initial level of HIV stigma (in the community)   range 0 - 100	70		On a scale of 0 to 100: 70	3
Initial level of HIV medical mistrust (in the community)   range 0 - 100	60		On a scale of 0 to 100: 60	3
Initial level of community knowledge of HIV   range 0 - 100	50		On a scale of 0 to 100: 50	3
Time (needed) to change community knowledge of HIV	24	(months)	2 years	1
Time (needed) to change medical mistrust	24	(months)	2 years	1
Time (needed) to change HIV stigma	24	(months)	2 years	1
Codes:	1		Conditions of the Population and the Epidemic	
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## Mobilizing Community Initiatives to Support PLWH Module: Base Case Run Output Graphs\* Community Initiatives and Effects



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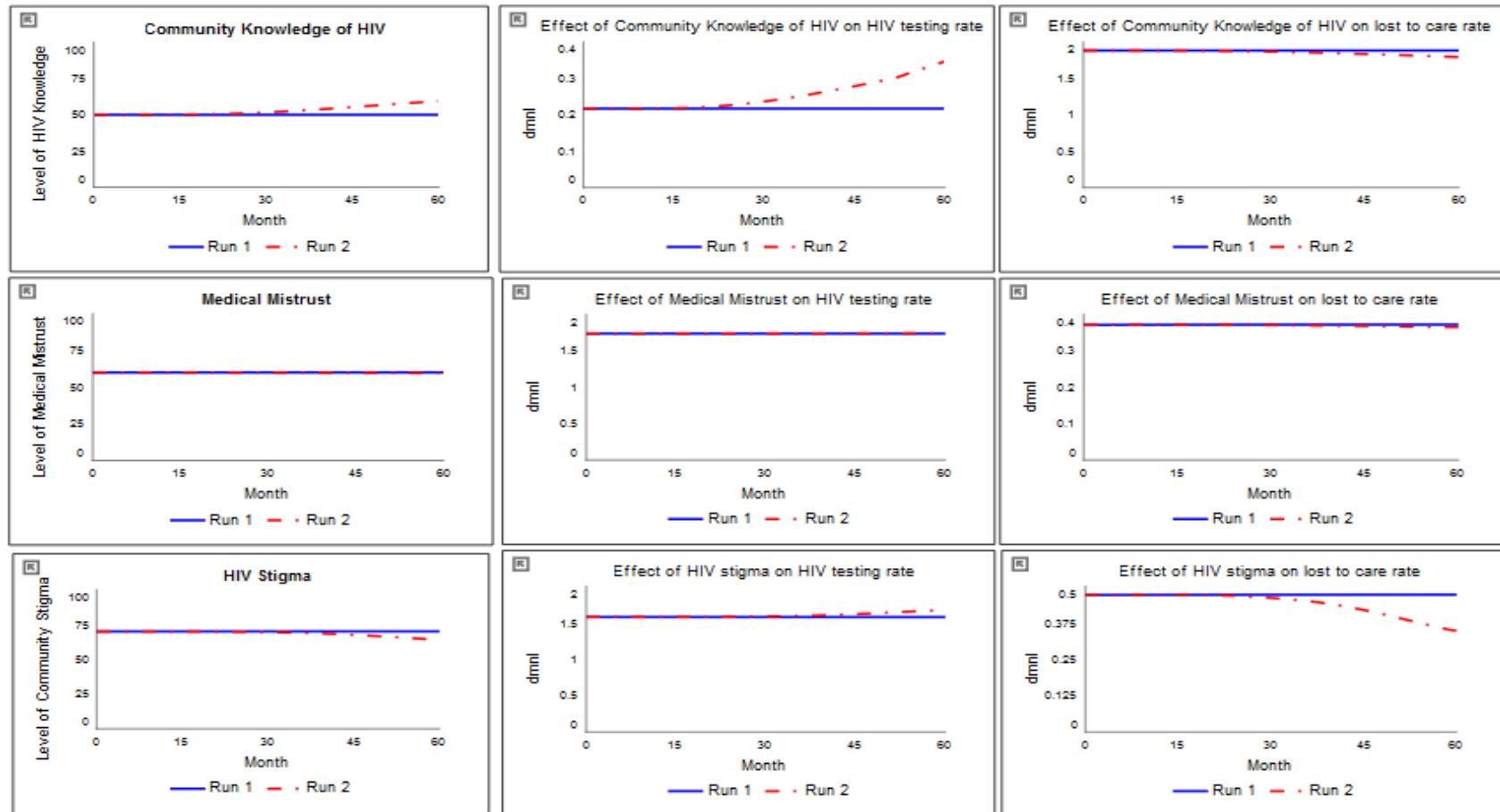
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## Mobilizing Community Initiatives to Support PLWH Module

### Base Case Run Output Graphs\*

### Community Level HIV Knowledge and Attitudes: Effects on HIV Care Continuum



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