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Long Island Association for AIDS Care (LIAAC) recognizes National Youth HIV/AIDS Awareness Day.

April 10, 2018 marks the 6th annual National Youth HIV/AIDS Awareness Day (NYHAAD) annual observance. This nationally recognized day is intended to educate the public about the impact of HIV and AIDS on young people as well as highlight the amazing work young people are doing across the country to fight the HIV & AIDS epidemic.

Today's young people are the first generation who has never known a world without HIV and AIDS. In the United States, one in five new HIV infections are among youth ages 13 to 24. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, about 60% of youth with HIV in the United States do not know that they are infected. According to the New York State HIV/AIDS Surveillance Annual Report for Cases Diagnosed Through December 2016, there were 39 individuals living with HIV/AIDS in Nassau and Suffolk counties who were under the age of 19.

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