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## WRI 2007 - Six Themes for the Future

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Each year, a summary report is generated to document the Annual WRI Meeting in order to best provide direction for WRI's ongoing work to advance the research for HIV+ women. The report from the 2007 meeting updates many of the ongoing efforts of the WRI which have been developed since WRI's inception in 2003. However, more than half of this year's meeting time was used to consider the next five years for women with HIV. The outcome of those deliberations was an imperative to continue the research mission of the WRI and to also begin tackling several other major issues including HIV stigma/ignorance, routine HIV testing and inadequate access to healthcare. The WRI contends that our research advocacy mission is closely connected to these new goals. Until we make progress in

overcoming these barriers, we will not have an environment in which we can make enough significant research progress. Stigma and inadequate healthcare access are two of the major reasons why many women do not know their infection or risk status and why the low enrollment of women in clinical trials continues.

Attending the meeting were members of the WRI (including representatives from clinical care, HIV research, academia, community-based organizations, government, the pharmaceutical industry and HIV-positive women), guest speakers and invited experts. A list of the 2007 WRI Meeting members, speakers and participants can be found below.

For the full 2007 meeting report, please click below.

• 2007 WRI Summary Report

## 2007 WRI Meeting Participants

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