### **Microbiome Substudy**

(data collection Oct 2020 - Sept 2026)

### What did we measure?



#### What is being measured:

Gut microbiome - Millions of microorganisms (mainly bacteria) and their genetic material (DNA) in the intestines

#### **Measures:**

- Stool home collection kit (paper FTA card, sample collection tube)
- 5 question survey related to stool sample

**How often:** One time\*

\*lab has received more than one sample from many participants

## Who did we collect data from?

3434

men and women living with and without HIV at all sites

**57 years old** median age





# What can we learn from the collected data?

The relationship between the gut microbiome and different health conditions including:

- insulin resistance
- diabetes
- high cholesterol
- high blood pressure
- fatty liver disease
- emphysema/COPD
- inflammation markers

Microbes (e.g., bacteria, viruses) linked to common metabolic and immune disorders

