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*"We need to make  
sure that the  
Latinx community  
is not forgotten  
when it comes  
to HIV  
healthcare."*

*Roberto*



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is a gay man from Mexico City who is now living in London. Over the past few years, he has overcome cultural and language barriers to access the HIV care and support he needs. Now, he is using his own experiences to help others.

In 2014, Roberto had been in a long-term relationship and HIV was one of the last things on his mind. But after hearing of someone being diagnosed with an HIV-related complication, he thought it was best to get tested.

Shortly after, he received life-changing news. Roberto was HIV-positive.

There was very little clinical support offered to him right after receiving his diagnosis and he was left to navigate the situation on his own.

However, he was lucky to have a supportive network of friends in Mexico that helped him learn about the current options to live a normal life. He knew his best chance was to start treatment as soon as possible, but, again, the

process to join a clinic in Mexico was overwhelming.

After overcoming the various challenges in Mexico, he moved to the UK, and had a polar opposite experience.

He was immediately given specialist care that was able to make him feel at ease with and able to process his diagnosis.

Now, Roberto uses his experience to help others from the Latinx community. He understands how people from a Latinx background have to overcome additional stigma associated with many factors, such as language, religion, and immigration status.

Roberto provides accessible information and organises creative support groups and other services for people from across the entire Latinx community. His ambition is to improve the sexual and mental health welfare of his community.

The more we talk about the issues experienced by the Latinx community, the more people understand and the more lives we can help change.



*By Working Together* We Can End The HIV Epidemic For *Everyone. Everywhere.*