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Dear Health Care Provider:

SUBJECT: NEW CONFIDENTIAL PROVIDER HIV/AIDS ADULT CASE REPORT FORM AND REPORTING/PARTNER SERVICES REQUIREMENTS

This letter is to announce the County of Los Angeles, Department of Public Health's (Public Health) **NEW** Confidential Provider HIV/AIDS Adult Case Report Form and serves as a reminder of the statutory and regulatory reporting requirements for all health care providers associated with HIV disease.

NEW Confidential Provider HIV/AIDS Adult Case Report Form

To simplify reporting, the Public Health Division of HIV and STD Programs (DHSP) has updated the Confidential Adult HIV/AIDS Case Report Form to a more user-friendly format. Enclosed you will find the updated adult HIV/AIDS case report form and guidance for completing the form. These documents can also be found at:

<http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/dhsp/ReportCase.htm>. Please mail all completed confidential HIV/AIDS case reports to DHSP within the time frame stated in the guidance. Timely submission of this information improves our ability to fully monitor, characterize, and investigate HIV cases in Los Angeles County – important steps to enable a rapid disease control and prevention.

HIV Reporting Requirements and Supplemental HIV Surveillance

As a reminder, in accordance with California Health and Safety Code (HSC) 121022(a), CCR Title 17, Section 2643.5 and 2643.10, health care providers must report HIV infection at any stage, including diagnosis of HIV infection and progression to stage 3 disease (AIDS) within seven (7) calendar days. Additionally, acute HIV infection must be reported by telephone within one (1) business day to the local Health Officer of the jurisdiction in which the patient resides [Title 17 CCR 2500(h) and (k)]. To report an acute HIV infection case, please call (213) 351-8516.

Please note that DHSP performs supplemental HIV surveillance activities on a randomly selected subset of persons diagnosed and living with HIV in Los Angeles County to improve HIV services. This surveillance activity includes abstraction of these patient's medical records.

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Partner Services

California law requires the local health officers and health care providers to make available partner notification assistance to persons with diagnosed HIV infection for the purposes of disease investigation, disease interruption, and coordination of HIV services for people living with HIV (HSC 120175, 121015, 121025). For assistance in notifying partners of persons diagnosed with HIV infection, please call (213) 639-4277.

In order to comply with Federal and State reporting laws, staff from DPH may be contacting or visiting your clinic to gather client information for the purpose of surveillance, supplemental HIV surveillance and/or partner services/partner notification. We appreciate your cooperation with these activities.

Thank you for your assistance with meeting California's HIV reporting mandates. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact the DHSP HIV/STD Surveillance Section at (213) 351-8516.

Sincerely,

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