



Dear Colleague:

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), National Center for HIV/AIDS, Viral Hepatitis, STD and TB Prevention (NCHHSTP), invites you to participate in the Corrections and Public Health Consultation-Expanding the Reach of Prevention. The consultation will be held, March 25-26, 2009, at the Crown Plaza Ravinia Hotel Atlanta Perimeter NW, Atlanta, Georgia.

The purpose of this consultation is to discuss and exchange ideas, strategies and best practices for collaboration and provision of infectious disease prevention and treatment within and beyond correctional facilities. During the Corrections and Public Health Consultation, you will be able to discuss with other leading corrections experts and academic, public health and community partners more effective ways to address health disparities among the incarcerated population. Your participation is critical to the development of future directions and best practices for addressing factors within correctional facilities and in the communities that increase risk of infectious disease transmission.

The objectives of the consultation are to:

- 1) discuss the role of public health and prevention within correctional settings;
- 2) discuss ways in which public health and corrections professionals can optimally work together to reduce infectious disease risk and promote health inside correctional settings and communities and
- 3) generate a summary of the proceedings to be used by CDC and its partners to guide short and long-term programmatic and research efforts.

Information on lodging, logistics, and additional consultation documents will be forwarded to you once confirmation of attendance is received. Please confirm your availability to participate by forwarding your response to Ms. Laurie Reid at [lreid@cdc.gov](mailto:lreid@cdc.gov) or 404-639-8461 on or before Tuesday, February 24, 2009. We look forward to your participation in this important consultation.

Sincerely,

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