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TO: HIV CARE PROGRAM (HCP) AND MINORITY AIDS INITIATIVE (MAI)
CONTRACTORS

SUBJECT: REQUIRMENTS FOR ANNUAL EIIHA PLANS

I. Purpose

The purpose of this Management Memo is to clarify the requirements for submission of the annual Early Identification of Individuals with HIV/AIDS (EIIHA) Plan.

II. Background

EIIHA is a Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) initiative to identify, inform, refer and link to care individuals who are unaware of their HIV status to appropriate HIV/AIDS care and prevention services. The EIIHA initiative supports the three primary goals of the National HIV/AIDS Strategy (NHAS) goals: 1) reducing the number of people who become infected with HIV; 2) increasing access to care and optimizing health outcomes for people living with HIV; and 3) reducing HIV-related health disparities. OA must submit progress on statewide EIIHA activities to HRSA with each annual Ryan White Part B application and Progress Report.

III. Policy

Effective April 1, 2015, EIIHA plans will only be required from HCP contractors in jurisdictions that are also funded for prevention activities by either OA or directly from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The list of required jurisdictions below accounts for more than 97 percent of the total living HIV/AIDS population in the state. Requiring EIIHA plans of HCP contractors in jurisdictions that receive HIV

prevention funding allows health jurisdictions to better leverage resources for increased capacity to identify newly infected individuals and improve linkage to care.

Jurisdiction	Care and Prevention Funding from State Office of AIDS	Care Funding from OA and Prevention Funding Directly from CDC
Alameda	X	
Fresno	X	
Contra Costa	X	
Riverside	X	
San Bernardino	X	
Kern	X	
Long Beach	X	
Los Angeles		X
Marin		X
Monterey	X	
Orange	X	
Sacramento	X	
San Diego	X	
San Francisco		X
San Joaquin	X	
San Mateo		X
Santa Barbara	X	
Santa Clara	X	
Santa Cruz	X	
Sonoma	X	
Solano	X	
Stanislaus	X	
Ventura	X	

Target Populations

OA has determined the following priority populations for EIIHA: MSM, intravenous drug users (IDUs) and partners of HIV care clients. Contractors may include additional targeted populations based on local surveillance data.

EIIHA Plan Required Components

EIIHA plans must describe a system of prevention and care services and activities that ensures clients diagnosed with HIV are rapidly linked to care or referred to preventive services, if negative. Activities may include: targeted testing, formalized collaborative agreements between targeted testing and care sites that includes roles and responsibilities, increased Partner Services referrals, increased routine testing in medical settings and linkage to a verified medical visit within 90 days, etc.

When submitting your EIIHA plan, please use the EIIHA Plan Template on the last page of this memo. EIIHA plans are to be submitted to your Care Program Advisor by June 15, 2015.

Pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section 38077(b)(2), CDPH/OA contractors shall implement the above referenced modifications to the HIV Care Program Scope of Work.

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If you have questions, please contact your Care Program Advisor. Current Care Program Advisor assignments are located on the OA website:

<http://www.cdph.ca.gov/programs/aids/Documents/11MAD3cCareAdvisors.pdf>

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Ayanna Kiburi". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being the most prominent.

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EIIHA Plan Instructions

1. County Specific Target Population Rationale (No more than one page)

Based on analysis of local epidemiological data, HCP contractors may further refine their target populations for EIIHA beyond those populations identified by the State. If you choose to do so, define the additional or more specific target population(s) and explain the rationale for the choice. Please indicate what data source was used in making this decision.

2. Strategies and Activities (No more than two pages)

Describe your strategies and activities to: identify and inform unaware individuals, refer and link positive individuals to care, and refer negative individuals to prevention services.

3. Collaboration with Community Partners (No more than two pages)

- a. Contractors must coordinate efforts with prevention funded entities and other community partners with access to newly diagnosed clients. Identify your community partners and describe your collaboration on EIIHA activities.
- b. Describe your countywide collaboration activities for each of the following activities: partner services, targeted testing, testing in medical settings.