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The Honorable Julie Gerberding, M.D., M.P.H. Director Centers for Disease Control and Prevention 1600 Clifton Road Atlanta, GA 30333

Dear Dr. Gerberding:

In September, the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform will be holding a hearing on the implications of the new HIV incidence numbers recently announced by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. I am writing to request the following information in advance of this hearing:

- 1. A detailed "professional judgment budget" for HIV prevention for the five years beginning with FY 2009. This budget should be prepared independently of the Department of Health and Human Services and the Office of Management and Budget, and should reflect your best professional judgment on what resources CDC would need in order to perform its key HIV prevention functions most effectively.
- 2. A breakdown of the new HIV incidence estimate that stratifies data within each transmission category by both race/ethnicity and age, to the extent the data permit.

Please respond to this request by Wednesday, September 3, 2008. Additional requests for information or documents may follow.

If you have any questions, please contact Naomi Seiler at (202) 225-5056.

Sincerely,

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