

Public Health Service

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Atlanta GA 30333

Dear Grantee -

After hearing from grantees, community partners, providers, community health centers, and advocacy organizations about increasing funding flexibility for PrEP ancillary services, CDC looked closely at the rules and authorities that govern our HIV prevention and care-related grants and cooperative agreements. We want to provide the most flexibility for our grantees to use their CDC HIV prevention funding in the way it will best help their community – including funding PrEP ancillary services when needed. In reviewing the authorities and language included in the flagship health department program, *Integrated Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Surveillance and Prevention Programs for Health Departments* (PS18-1802), we have determined that we are able to expand support to allow for these expenses with some limitations.

CDC has decided to allow domestic HIV prevention funding to be used to support PrEP ancillary services for the flagship health department program, PS18-1802. CDC is developing guidance and answers to frequently asked questions and will distribute this information to our grantees as soon as it is available. Please note that your assigned project officers will not be able to answer detailed questions about these changes until the guidance is finalized.

As you prepare your budgets for the next fiscal year, please consider how this expansion of allowable expenses may enhance the provision of prevention services in your communities and how it may impact prioritization of funded activities.

Thank you for your patience and continued work towards ending the HIV epidemic in the United States.

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