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Dear Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Grant Recipient,

The Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP) has achieved many quality improvement goals in the last 27 years. Pursuing further excellence in HIV care, we invite you to join us in a national collaborative to enhance the viral suppression of your patients.

The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)/ HIV/AIDS Bureau together with the HRSA RWHAP Center for Quality Improvement and Innovation (CQII) is launching the end+disparities ECHO Collaborative. This quality improvement learning collaborative focuses on reducing disparities by increasing viral suppression rates in four disproportionately affected subpopulations of people living with HIV (PLWH): African American and Latino Men who have sex with men, African American and Latina women, transgender people, and youth. The learning collaborative continues the work of the end+disparities Learning Exchange, which was previously managed by the National Quality Center. This national learning collaborative aligns with the HRSA's priorities and strengthens clinical quality management efforts as mandated in the RWHAP.

Participants in the end+disparities ECHO Collaborative will focus their quality improvement efforts on one of the four disproportionately affect subpopulations of PLWH. In addition to receiving support to build a sustainable regional improvement network, participants will also receive expert guidance on subpopulation-specific topics from a panel of experts and consumers.

Understanding the disproportionate burden of HIV felt by the subpopulations can provide the impetus for systemic and sustainable improvement in not only these subpopulations, but also for the national HIV community and its health outcomes.

If you are looking for ways to improve the lives of individuals with HIV in your community and build the necessary skills to address the needs of disproportionately affected, we encourage you to join this learning collaborative. Together we can make a difference. Please contact the HRSA Ryan White HIV/AIDS Center for Quality Improvement and Innovation for more information (212-417-4730 or [Clemens@CQII.org](mailto:Clemens@CQII.org)) and how to sign up.

Sincerely,

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