

Health Resources and Services Administration Office of Regional Operations – Region II Jacob K. Javits Federal Building 26 Federal Plaza, Room 3337 New York, New York 10278

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September 1, 2016

Dear XXXX:

The HRSA Office of Regional Operations – Region II invites your community health center to participate in the *PrEP*, *Primary Care, and Community Health Centers Summit* on Wednesday, September 28, 2016. The summit will be a roundtable discussion on Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) to prevent HIV infection in New York City.

The National HIV/ AIDS Strategy: Updated to 2020 prioritizes PrEP in Goal 1: Reduce New Infections and calls upon federal agencies to implement PrEP within their programs.

Each health center organization is asked to send one clinical staff member to this Summit to learn about PrEP, examine barriers to prescribing, adapt primary care practices to include PrEP, and serve as a potential champion at the health center for PrEP.

The goal of the event is to increase access to PrEP for communities–at-risk and the underserved by promoting PrEP within community health centers. At the end of the session, participants will have a clear understanding of what is needed to launch or further develop a high quality PrEP program in their health centers.

The PrEP, Primary Care, and Community Health Centers Summit will be held:

Wednesday, September 28, 2016, 9:30am to 12:30pm The Jacob K. Javits Federal Building 26 Federal Plaza, 6th Floor Conference Center, Room J New York, NY

Please RSVP your attendance to Ms. Octavia Wisseh at <u>OWisseh@hrsa.gov</u> or (212) 264-3999, no later than September 16, 2016. Attendees will receive a final agenda and instructions for entering the Jacob K. Javits Federal Building closer to the summit date.

The New York Regional Office looks forward to hosting our health center colleagues in this important discussion.

Sincerely,

Ronald Moss, MSW Regional Administrator