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## **Attachment 3i. Phase Three Focus Groups Screening Script**

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## SCREENING TOOL

Hello my name is [insert name here] and I am from the 'BEATS' project sponsored by St. Johns University and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). We are conducting focus group discussions to get more information on how we can develop better health programs. We are looking to meet the specific needs of young Black men who have been arrested or incarcerated. The discussion will take about two hours to complete and those that complete the focus group will receive a \$50 gift certificate.

Are you interested in participating?

If no,

We appreciate you speaking with us. If you should change your mind and decide to participate in the discussion, feel free to contact our study office at

XXX-XXXX[GIVE STUDY FLIER]

If yes,

We are looking to capture the opinions of a very specific group so; I am going to make sure you meet our eligibility requirements for the study.

How old are you?

If >18 or <25

Thank you for your interest in the discussion. Unfortunately you do not fall within criteria for the study. Please understand that our selection criteria is not a reflection of you personally, but a result of the needs and requirements of the study. We appreciate the time you gave.

If 18-25

Go to question X.

Have you been arrested or released from jail/prison within the past year?

If no

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If yes

Go to question X.

Do you consider yourself Black?

If no

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If yes

Go to question X.

Have you been sexually active with a woman within the past 6 months?

If no

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If yes

Go to question X.

What city do you live in?

If outside NYC

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If NYC

Go to question X.

Are you a non-Hispanic heterosexual man who is HIV-negative or status unknown who has not been arrested for a sexual offense?

If no

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If yes

Go to question X.

The focus group discussion will take about two hours of your time. Because this is a

research study we need to get your written permission to begin the discussion. I will read this consent permission form to you and will answer any questions you have. If you agree to participate in our discussion, we ask that you sign the consent form before we begin.

Are you still interested in participating in the discussion?

If no,

We appreciate you speaking with us. If you should change your mind and decide to participate in the interview, feel free to contact our study office at XXX-XXXX[GIVE STUDY FLIER]

If yes,

Thanks again for your willingness to participate and your interest in our study! I will now review the study details in the consent/permission form. [READ CONSENT FORM, GET SIGNATURE, & GIVE PARTICANT A COPY]