



August 19, 2022

To: Kiera Johnson, Executive Director, National LGBTQ Task Force

From: Behavioral Surveillance Team, Division of HIV Prevention, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Re: Public comment and recommendations for proposed data collection National HIV Behavioral Surveillance: Brief HIV Bio-behavioral Assessment (NHBS-BHBA) - [60 Day-FRN; Docket No. CDC-2022-0064]

Dear Kiera Johnson,

Thank you for your comments and request for additional information about NHBS-BHBA. In your comments you requested release of information about the locations and populations that will be studied for NHBS-BHBA.

We are unable to provide that information at this time because the locations and populations are not predetermined. NHBS-BHBA is intended to be flexible and allow for funded states to make these decisions based on their needs assessments and input from their advisory groups. For each year of data collection throughout the cooperative agreement, funded states will identify at least two priority populations at increased risk for HIV infection in specific geographic areas.

We appreciate your review and support for this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cyprian Wejnert".

Cyprian Wejnert, PhD

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