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August 4, 1998

Sandra Thurman
Director
Office of National AIDS Policy
736 Jackson Place NW
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FAX: 202-456-2439

Re: *Now More Than Ever: STD/HIV Prevention*
The Annual Statewide STD/HIV Educational Meeting
September 9-11, 1998
Hotel Acadiana, Lafayette, Louisiana

Dear Ms. Thurman:

Last summer, at the Lesbian and Gay Healthcare Conference in Atlanta, Sabrina Sojourner introduced us. You also met several hundred other people at that luncheon; but I had a brief conversation with you regarding the possibility of you coming to speak for our annual conference. That same year, Sabrina was already scheduled to come and provide the closing keynote address. She blew us away! This year, we would be honored if you would consider providing our closing keynote address.

As you know, in 1997, Louisiana was ranked 9th in the nation for HIV rates. New Orleans was ranked 11th out of 100 metropolitan cities with populations larger than 500,000 in case rates. We are struggling with issues such as needle exchange, public sex, the sex industry and condom distribution. We are the only state that has implemented a statewide condom social marketing campaign. We are working very hard to fight this epidemic and a word from someone like you might help refuel our energies to work even harder.

We would be honored if you could come to Louisiana to share your knowledge, expertise and most of all, your passion regarding the huge issues surrounding HIV and the lives of people who are infected and affected. The target audience for this conference will be mainly staff from public health, substance abuse and community based organizations. As you probably know, these folks are tired, stressed and could use a pick me up from someone like you.

The time we have allotted for the closing keynote address is from 11:00 - 11:45 am on Friday, September 11. If this time is not convenient for you, please have someone in your office call me and we can discuss a more convenient time during the conference period. Attached is a conference brochure for your review. We would be extremely grateful if you are available.

Thank you for considering our offer. We would be honored if you are able to accept this engagement.

Gratefully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Daphne R. LeSage".

Daphne R. LeSage
Training & Communications Manager



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Than Ever*

STD/HIV PREVENTION

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234 Loyola Ave., 5th Floor
New Orleans, LA 70112

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HOTEL RESERVATIONS

Please reserve your room by August 9, 1998, to ensure availability.
When making your reservations, specify meeting #1516.

Best Western Hotel Acadiana

1801 West Pinhook Road

Lafayette, LA 70503

318-233-8120 or 800-874-4664

Rates: Single - ~~\$60.00~~ Double - \$80.00
50.00

Note: Hotel Acadiana reserves the right to charge the double room rate if it is determined that more than one person is staying in a single room. Please ensure that you register at the double room rate for all rooms in which more than one guest is staying.

Overflow Hotel

Please reserve your room by August 19, 1998.

Please specify HIV/STD Prevention meeting.

Comfort Inn

1421 SE Evangeline Thruway

Lafayette, LA 70501

318-232-9000 or 800-800-8752

Rates: Single - \$52.00 Double - \$57.00

CONTACTS

If you would like information regarding exhibit space,
please contact:

Ed Maresma - 504-568-7474.

If you need more information or have special needs
(dietary restrictions, handicap accessibility),
please contact: Lee Hubbell - 318-233-2437.

REGISTRATION FEES

Wednesday only meetings:

Pre-registration - \$10.00

On-site registration - \$15.00

Wednesday-Friday registration:

Pre-registration - \$35.00

On-site registration - \$45.00

NOTE: A late fee is included for on-site registration.

The Wednesday-Friday registration fee includes lunch
on Thursday and breakfast on Friday.

Pre-registration fees must be received by
September 2, 1998.

Additional fees may not be reimbursable by your agency.

Note: Temperatures may vary.
Please bring a sweater.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

The Annual STD/HIV Educational Meeting is for:

- ★ Public Health professionals interested in the prevention of STDs and HIV.
- ★ Staff and volunteers of community based organizations.
- ★ STD and HIV/AIDS Program staff.

MEETING OBJECTIVES

Now more than ever.... This meeting will provide participants with a comprehensive educational experience designed to strengthen their skills and knowledge in order to meet the current challenges facing STD/HIV prevention.

This meeting will enable attendees to :

- ★ Identify the future role of STD/HIV prevention in fostering healthy communities.
- ★ Understand emerging issues in STD/HIV prevention and STD treatment and incorporate them into their programs.
- ★ Envision an integrated continuum of care, from STD/HIV prevention to HIV treatment.
- ★ Develop skills needed to support personnel and strengthen their organizational structures.
- ★ Improve statewide prevention efforts through networking opportunities with other public health professionals.

NOW MORE THAN EVER....

REGISTRATION

To avoid late registration fees, payment must be received by September 2, 1998.

The Annual Statewide STD/HIV Educational Meeting
September 9-11, 1998

Please send completed registration form and payment to
Acadiana C.A.R.E.S., 1405 W. Pinhook, Suite 108, Lafayette, LA 70503
(Please make checks payable to Acadiana C.A.R.E.S.)

Name: _____

Title: _____

Agency: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Region: _____ Phone: _____

Please check if you
plan to:

- ☐ attend STD Basics
- ☐ attend the luncheon
- ☐ attend the breakfast

Please select one of the
following registrations:

- ☐ Wednesday only
\$10.00
- ☐ Wednesday-Friday
\$35.00

Please select the breakout sessions you would like to attend.

Thursday, September 10

10:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. (Please select one.)

☐ A1 ☐ A2 ☐ A3 ☐ A4 ☐ A5

1:45 p.m. - 3:15 p.m. (Please select one.)

☐ B1 ☐ B2 ☐ B3 ☐ B4 ☐ B5

3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. (Please select one.)

☐ C1 ☐ C2 ☐ C3 ☐ C4 ☐ C5

Friday, September 11

9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. (Please select one.)

☐ D1 ☐ D2 ☐ D3 ☐ D4 ☐ D5

MEETING SCHEDULE

Wednesday, September 9

7:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Registration
12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

The following meetings are by invitation only:

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. STD Nurses
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. STD DIS/Managers
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Prevention Coordinators
1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. AIDS Surveillance
1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. CBO Executive Directors

Open meeting (limited enrollment):

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. STD Basics

Thursday, September 10 (*Exhibits open from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.*)

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Registration and Continental Breakfast

9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. General Session Welcome
Lee Hubbell, Executive Director
Acadiana C.A.R.E.S.

Keynote Address
Linking Services to Prevention

State of the State
Tom Farley, MD, MPH
Medical Director, HIV/AIDS & STD Programs
M. Beth Scalco, BCSW
Administrative Director, HIV/AIDS Program

10:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. Break

10:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. Breakout Sessions
A1. STD Epidemiology
A2. STD/HIV Sociology
A3. Confidentiality
A4. Needle Exchange-- What's Up?
A5. What's New in HIV/AIDS Treatment?
A6. The Levels of Prostitution with Service Delivery
to Rural, Suburban and Inner City Areas

Thursday, September 10 - Continued

12:15 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. Regional Luncheon

1:45 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.

Breakout Sessions

B1. STD Treatment as HIV Prevention
B2. Viral STDs are Everywhere
B3. Time Management
B4. STD/HIV Prevention Strategies in Rural Areas
B5. Linking Services and Prevention
B6. Technical Assistance Workshop for the
Solicitation of Proposals

3:15 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Break

3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Breakout Sessions

C1. What's Up and Coming in Barriers?
C2. Jail House STD Treatment/Prevention
C3. Stress Management
C4. Using the Media to your Advantage
C5. Psychology of Sexual Risk Taking
C6. Part 1, Cultural...

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Reception (Sponsored by Acadiana C.A.R.E.S.)

Friday, September 11

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

Round Table Breakfast

9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

Break and Hotel Check-out

9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Breakout Sessions

D1. STD/HIV Research Projects in Louisiana
D2. STD/HIV in Pregnancy
D3. Conflict Resolution
D4. Cultural Competency *Part 2*
D5. Afrocentric Behavior Change Model

11:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

Closing Plenary Address

11:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Closing Remarks

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Physicians dedicated to the health of America



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Executive Vice President, CEO Chicago, Illinois 60610 312 464-4184 Fax

July 30, 1998

The Honorable Sandra L. Thurman
Policy Director, Office of National AIDS Policy
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, Northwest
600 SEVEN
Washington, DC 20500-

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "E. Ratcliffe Anderson, Jr.", written over the address of Sandra L. Thurman.

Dear Ms. Thurman:

On behalf of the Officers and members of the American Medical Association, it is my pleasure to invite you to participate in the Tenth Annual Dr. Nathan Davis Awards Banquet on Wednesday, September 23, 1998, in the Ballroom of the J.W. Marriott Hotel, Washington, D.C. These Awards salute elected and career government officials at the local, state and federal levels for significant achievements in advancing the public health.

In the past, we have been honored to have many representatives from the Administration as well as executive branch career employees join physicians and health care leaders from throughout the nation in honoring our recipients. The cocktail reception will begin at 7:00pm and we will be seated for dinner at 8:00. The evening will conclude by 10:00 and dress is business attire. As this year's banquet marks the tenth presentation of these awards, we are planning a special evening that will include Members of Congress, Administration officials and health sector leaders from across the Nation.

The AMA underwrites the dinner itself, but funds raised from participating organizations support the cause of biomedical research through the AMA Education and Research Foundation, a 501 (c) (3) entity.

I very much hope you will attend the September 23 dinner when the honorees include your colleagues in government service Under Secretary for Health, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, Kenneth W. Kizer, MD, MPH; National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute Director Claude J.M. Lenfant, MD; as well as U.S. Senator John McCain; U.S. Representative Greg Ganske, MD; U.S. Representative Louis Stokes; and Vermont Governor Howard Dean, MD.

Your attendance will certainly underscore your commitment to rewarding outstanding public service in behalf of the health of all Americans.

If you have any questions, please call David Clay at (202) 785-1391.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "E. Ratcliffe Anderson, Jr.", written below the word "Sincerely yours".

E. Ratcliffe Anderson, Jr., MD
Executive Vice President and CEO

P.S. You may respond by completing the enclosed card or by calling (202) 785-1391.

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Mathilde Krim, Ph.D.

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AmFAR**

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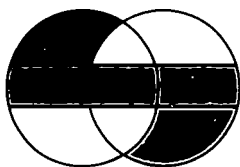
Director, Office of AIDS
Research, NIH

Peter Piot, M.D., Ph.D.

Executive Director of the
United Nations AIDS Program

Thursday, September 17, 1998
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
33 East 69th Street, New York City

RSVP (212) 806-1756



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September 9, 1998

Ms. Sandra Thurman
Director, Office of National AIDS Policy
736 Jackson Place, NW
Washington, DC 20503

Dear Ms. Thurman:

I write on behalf of the National Italian American Foundation (NIAF) to invite you to an informal luncheon Tuesday, September 29 with Rev. Angelo D'Agostino, S.J., M.D. Father D'Agostino has been a medical missionary in Africa for 15 years.

Father D'Agostino has dedicated his life to helping children in need in Africa, and is the founder and medical director of NYUMBANI, a hospital which cares for HIV positive children in Kenya. We hope you will take this opportunity to meet this selfless individual who has done so much for the least fortunate in Africa.

The luncheon will be held in the board room of the NIAF, 1860 19th Street, NW (corner of 19th and T Streets) from 12:00 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. Street parking is available.

Please R.S.V.P. to Ebe Rattazzi at 202/387-0600 by September 25.

We look forward to seeing you.

Sincerely,

Alfred M. Rotondaro
Executive Director