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Kristine Gebbie
Coordinator
Office of National AIDS Policy
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Washington, D.C. 20503

Dear Ms. Gebbie:

I am writing to follow up on a suggestion by Dr. Sam Shekar to request a meeting with you. The purpose of this meeting would be to describe the information we have available and have developed on HIV hospital care and to discuss with you its potential utility related to your office's priorities.

The National Public Health and Hospital Institute (NPHHI) is a non-profit organization that conducts research on health care for underserved populations, their communities and the providers treating them. As part of our activities, we have been conducting a survey on hospital care for HIV-infected persons since 1986. The primary focus of our work, documenting and analyzing utilization, costs and financing related to HIV inpatient care, is one of the "reference points" for national estimates. It has also identified differences among regions and provider groups such as urban public teaching institutions. Our findings have been used in developing national policies such as the Ryan White CARE Act.

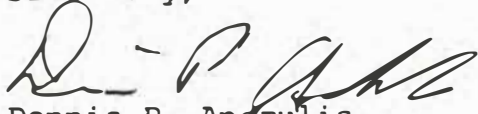
Our most recent work has just been submitted to the Journal of the American Medical Association, where three previous related works were published. This report, entitled, "Hospital care for HIV-infected persons and the role of public and private teaching hospitals: 1988-1991", presents two perspectives. It profiles care nationally among almost 1100 respondent hospitals reporting information on over 58,000 HIV inpatients for 1991; and it presents a longitudinal analysis of teaching hospital impact where cases tend to be concentrated. Key findings highlight how much HIV care has become a public sector responsibility and that teaching institutions are becoming "magnets" for HIV patients.

Perhaps one of the key indicators of the project's value is reflected in the sources of support. To date, the American Foundation for AIDS Research, the Agency for Health Care Policy and Research, the Centers for Disease Control, the Bureau of Maternal and Child Health Services, and the Health Resources and Services Administration have all provided support for specific purposes. The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation has provided continual general support and is our only current sponsor; their recent three year

renewal provides a cumulative total of ten years support.

I believe our work could assist in health care policy considerations for HIV care per se and in the context of vulnerable populations. I look forward to the opportunity to meet with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'D-P Andrulis', written over the printed name.

Dennis P. Andrulis
President

NATIONAL AIDS POLICY OFFICE
OFFICE OF THE COORDINATOR

ROUTING SLIP

DATE: 3/23/94

TO: Tim Fox, Terry Beswick.

Paul Tran, V. Jones, A. Lawrence

FROM: XX W. STEVE LEE

 For your information

XX For your action The meeting will
be held March 31st at 3:30 pm
in Kristine's office.
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