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Dear HIV Care Provider:

Recently, state health departments in Minnesota, Michigan, Iowa, and Illinois have endorsed the Prevention Access Campaign's Undetectable = Untransmittable (U=U) consensus statement about the effectiveness of viral suppression for sexual HIV prevention.

We want to understand how the U=U message is being implemented in HIV care settings. The Minnesota Department of Health and the Midwest AIDS Training + Education Center (MATEC), Minnesota site, have collaborated to survey HIV care providers in the Midwest region about how they counsel patients regarding viral suppression as a means of sexual HIV prevention.

This anonymous survey will take about 10 minutes to complete and is optimized for desktop or laptop. The survey includes questions about your knowledge and beliefs, how often you counsel patients about using viral suppression for sexual HIV prevention, and patient characteristics that may affect whether or not you discuss this HIV prevention method with patients. You will also be asked to assess messages communicating the risk associated with this prevention method.

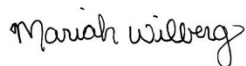
Survey participants will include physicians, physician assistants, nurses, nurse practitioners, pharmacists and allied health professionals in the HIV treatment communities of Minnesota and Iowa. The survey will also be offered for distribution to our MATEC partners in the 10-state Midwest region.

State-specific survey results will be distributed via the Minnesota site of MATEC at HIV educational programs and/or by email. Survey results will also be submitted for publication in HIV Specialist Magazine. We look forward to sharing results with the HIV treatment community. Your participation will also help MATEC better determine and meet health care provider training needs.

As an acknowledgment of your time, AAHIVM has generously offered to provide you a complimentary subscription to HIV Specialist magazine. You will receive instructions for receiving this at the end of the survey.

We thank you for your time and consideration, and invite you to contact Mariah Wilberg ([mariah.wilberg@state.mn.us](mailto:mariah.wilberg@state.mn.us)) or Emily Petran ([jone2730@umn.edu](mailto:jone2730@umn.edu)) with any questions or concerns.

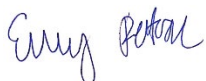
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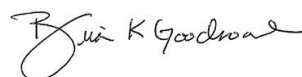
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