

**Appendix B**  
**Agency List and Letters of Support**

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## 1. Agency List & Description

AGENCY NAME		AGENCY CHARACTERISTICS
<i>Oakland</i>		
1.	Alameda County Medical Center 1411 East 31 <sup>st</sup> Street Oakland, CA 94602 Benita McLarin, SM, MHA, Executive Director	Offers a broad range of medical care, including primary and specialty care, emergency services and hospital care. They have 24-hour on-call access to HIV specialists and access to clinical trials of the newest HIV/AIDs medications, with a staff of several hundred.
2.	Allen Temple Baptist Church 8501 International Blvd. Oakland, CA 94621 Gloria Crowell, Program Director	Provides an AIDS ministry to 100,000 people with a staff of 30.
3.	California Prevention Educ. Project (CAL-PEP) 1504 Franklin Street, Suite 302 Oakland, CA 94612 Gloria Lockett, Executive Director	Provides street outreach, testing and counseling for 400 HIV+ people with a staff of 100.
4.	East Bay AIDS Center 3100 Summit Street, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Oakland, CA 94609 Lori Landis, Department Manager	Provides HIV/STI testing and sees 1200+ positive clients with a staff of 40.
5.	WORLD (Women Organized to Respond to Life-threatening Diseases) 414 13 <sup>th</sup> Street, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Oakland, CA 94612 Maura Riordan, Executive Director	Provides counseling and groups to 300 HIV+ women and trains health advocates with a staff of 35.
<i>STI/HIV Testing Only</i>		
6.	Healthy Oakland 2580 San Pablo Avenue Oakland, CA 94612 Raymond E. Lankford, MSW, Executive Director	Provides medical and social services to 1,000 low income clients, 87% of whom are African American men with a staff of 50
<i>Los Angeles</i>		
7.	AIDS Healthcare Foundation 6255 W. Sunset Blvd., 21 <sup>st</sup> Floor Los Angeles, CA 90028 Homayoon Khanlou, M.D., Chief of Medicine	Provides medical care and testing to 12,000 HIV+ people in 5 Los Angeles clinics with a staff of 800.
8.	Matrix Institute 5220 West Washington Blvd., Suite 101 Los Angeles, CA 90016 Dan George, MPH, Administrative Director	Provides drug offers substance abuse counseling to 250 HIV+ clients.
9.	O.A.S.I.S. Clinic/Martin Luther King, Jr. Multiservice Ambulatory Care Center (OASIS Clinic I MLK-MACC) 1807 East 120th Street Los Angeles, CA 90059	O.A.S.I.S. Clinic offers medical care, testing and counseling to 6,000 HIV+ people in areas of highest risk with a staff of 25.

	<p>Wilbert C. Jordan, M.D., MPH, Director</p> <p>&amp;</p> <p>SPECTRUM Community Services and Research 1748 East 118th Street. Building M Los Angeles, CA 90059 Charles L. Hilliard, Ph.D., Clinical Director</p>	<p>SPECTRUM provides mental health services to 2,000 HIV+ people, groups and partners with O.A.S.I.S. Clinic for medical care with a staff of 20.</p>
10.	<p>Tarzana Treatment Centers. Inc. 18646 Oxnard Street Tarzana, CA 91 356 Albert M. Senella, Chief Operating Officer</p>	<p>A full service facility, Tarzana addresses substance abuse, mental health, testing and care in 4 counties with a staff of 600.</p>
11.	<p>Women Alive Coalition 1566 S. Burnside Ave. Los Angeles, CA 90019 Carrie Broadus, Executive Director</p> <p>&amp;</p> <p>Women at Risk 5183 Overland Ave., Suite B Culver City, CA 90230 Carmen G. Johnson, Executive Director</p>	<p>Women Alive provides service for testing and advocacy for 300 HIV+ women, with a staff of 10.</p> <p>Women at Risk provides counseling and support, testing and groups to 2,000 women with a staff of 10.</p>

## **2. Letters of Support – Participating Agencies**

# ALAMEDA COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER



*Highland Campus • Fairmont Campus  
John George Psychiatric Pavilion  
Ambulatory Healthcare Services*

## **Eban II Project Memorandum of Interest**

On behalf of Alameda County Medical Center, I, Benita McLarin, agree to the above-named agency's participation in the Eban II Project, a collaborative to increase capacity for integrated HIV risk reduction for couples' services in the community.

The agency will identify an agency Liaison who is on staff and will devote 4 hours per week to recruit couples, register them and organize groups. Our agency currently has 802 HIV positive patients/clients. Our current focus is to provide high quality, culturally sensitive HIV specialty care/primary care to residents of Alameda County regardless to their ability to pay.

I understand that the UCLA team will provide a series of trainings on the HIV risk reduction and communication for couples, and program implementation and evaluation, resulting in a capacity building plan for my agency.

I understand that the agency liaison will attend a minimum of 95% of the training sessions on HIV risk reduction and communication as provided by the Eban II Project trainers. The training will be held at a central site.

I understand that the UCLA evaluation team will also take the lead in evaluating the training and education (capacity-building) efforts of my agency, and will use these data from the EBAN II Project as a whole toward policy efforts to improve HIV implementation among agencies that serve African Americans.

My agency, if time and compensation allows, will participate in a formal evaluation of the Eban II Project, which includes a pre-assessment of agency programs and capacity, post-assessment of agency programs and capacity, process evaluations of our progress toward sustainability, and pre- and post-assessments of clients who participate in new services or programs that result from the Eban II Project. This would entail allowing researchers from the UCLA evaluation team to gather or obtain these data from our agency.

My agency commits to:

1. Confirm the estimation of African American population seen at my agency.
2. Implement the Eban II intervention as trained to do so.
3. Ask as many clients as possible whether he or she is in an ongoing relationship.

4. Ask as many clients as possible if he or she has a sexual partner of the opposite sex.
5. Receive referrals from other agencies.
6. Communicate about when couples are ready for groups and enter registration data on a laptop that will belong to the agency at the end of the project.
7. Screen all couples for eligibility.
8. Commit to host at least two Eban II intervention groups at our site. The intervention groups will be run by 2 trained facilitators.
9. Receive a payment of \$10,000 for our participation in the Eban II Project.

As a result of our participation in the Eban II Project, my agency will implement a cross-referral network with other providers called the State of California Implementation Network (SCIN). The SCIN will participate in regular conference calls to oversee all implementation issues and will be a resource to facilitate referral of clients to appropriate services within the agencies in the network. I also agree to join the State of California Implementation Network with other CBOs in California who provide services to individuals affected by or living with HIV/AIDS.

  
Signature

  
Print Name

Executive Director  
Ambulatory Care Services  
Alameda County Medical Center

Founded in 1919

## **ALLEN TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH**

**Dr. J. Alfred Smith, Senior**

Senior Pastor



### **Eban II Project Memorandum of Interest**

#### **ASSISTANTS TO THE PASTOR**

##### **PASTORAL CARE**

Reverend Cheryl Elliott

##### **COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP**

Dr. Arthur S. Scott – Interim

##### **ADMINISTRATION**

Reverend Doctor Martha Taylor

#### **CHAIRPERSONS**

##### **HONORARY CHAIRPERSON**

##### **BOARD OF DEACONS**

Joseph Mondy

##### **BOARD OF DEACONS**

Reginald W. Lyles

##### **BOARD OF DEACONESSES**

Verta Cotton

##### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Verdell Brooks

##### **BOARD OF**

##### **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

Charles Peterson

On behalf Allen Temple Baptist Church – AIDS Ministry, I, Gloria Crowell, agree to the above-named agency's participation in the Eban II Project, a collaborative to increase capacity for integrated HIV risk reduction for couples' services in the community.

The agency will identify an agency Liaison who is on staff and will devote 10 hours per week to recruit couples, register them and organize groups. Our agency currently provides an array of services to HIV positive patients/clients. Our current focus is to provide HIV Education and Prevention Services and daily hot congregate meals.

I understand that the UCLA team will provide a series of trainings on the HIV risk reduction and communication for couples, and program implementation and evaluation, resulting in a capacity building plan for my agency.

I understand that the agency liaison will attend a minimum of 95% of the training sessions on HIV risk reduction and communication as provided by the Eban II Project trainers. The training will be held at a central site.

I understand that the UCLA evaluation team will also take the lead in evaluating the training and education (capacity-building) efforts of my agency, and will use these data from the EBAN II Project as a whole toward policy efforts to improve HIV implementation among agencies that serve African Americans.

My agency will participate in a formal evaluation of the Eban II Project, which includes a pre-assessment of agency programs and capacity, post-assessment of agency programs and capacity, process evaluations of our progress toward sustainability, and pre- and post-assessments of clients who participate in new services or programs that result from the Eban II Project. This would entail allowing researchers from the UCLA evaluation team to gather or obtain these data from our agency.

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(510) 544-8910 • Fax (510) 544-8918


Allen Temple Website: [www.Allen-Temple.org](http://www.Allen-Temple.org)


My agency commits to:


1. Confirm the estimation of African American population seen at my agency.
2. Implement the Eban II intervention as trained to do so.
3. Ask every client whether he or she is in an ongoing relationship.
4. Ask every client if he or she has a sexual partner of the opposite sex.
5. Receive referrals from other agencies.
6. Communicate about when couples are ready for groups and enter registration data on a laptop that will belong to the agency at the end of the project.
7. Screen all couples for eligibility.
8. Commit to run at least two Eban II intervention groups at our site.
9. Receive a payment of \$10,000 for our participation in the Eban II Project.

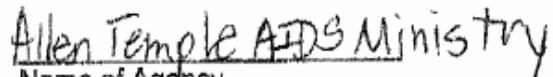
***All of the above criteria will cease if the number of clients living with HIV decrease to the point where it will no longer be effective to participate.***

As a result of our participation in the Eban II Project, my agency will implement a cross-referral network with other providers called the State of California Implementation Network (SCIN). The SCIN will participate in regular conference calls to oversee all implementation issues and will be a resource to facilitate referral of clients to appropriate services within the agencies in the network. I also agree to join the State of California Implementation Network with other CBOs in California who provide services to individuals affected by or living with HIV/AIDS.

  
Signature

  
Print Name

  
Title

  
Name of Agency



## **Eban II Project Memorandum of Interest**

On behalf of California Prevention and Education Project, I, Gloria Lockett agree to the above-named agency's participation in the Eban II Project, a collaborative to increase capacity for integrated HIV risk reduction for couples' services in the community.

The agency will identify an agency Liaison who is on staff and will devote 10 hours per week to recruit couples, register them and organize groups. CAL-PEP's CRCS/Case management Program seeks to increase quality of life and reduce HIV transmission for HIV positive clients and their partners. Our agency currently has 57 HIV positive clients. GAL-PEP primarily serves HIV positive African American clients that are substance users, sex workers, homeless and often disenfranchised individuals. Our clients have multiple needs that have impacted their ability to practice risk reduction. Because of difficult life circumstances, many clients have not established a medical regimen, and have not participated in regular doctor visits. GAL-PEP provides linkage to care services by getting clients into medical care and social services as well as peer treatment advocacy by accompanying clients to a range of services and facilitating interaction with providers.

I understand that the UCLA team will provide a series of trainings on the HIV risk reduction and communication for couples, and program implementation and evaluation, resulting in a capacity building plan for my agency.

I understand that the agency liaison will attend a minimum of 95% of the training sessions On HIV risk reduction and communication as provided by the Eban II Project trainers. The training will be held at a central site.

I understand that the UCLA evaluation team will also take the lead in evaluating the training and education (capacity-building) efforts of my agency, and will use these data from the EBAN II Project as a whole toward policy efforts to improve HIV implementation among agencies that serve African Americans.


My agency will participate in a formal evaluation of the Eban II Project, which includes a pre-assessment of agency programs and capacity, post-assessment of agency programs and capacity, process evaluations of our progress toward sustainability, and pre- and post-assessments of clients who participate in new services or programs that result from the Eban II Project. This would entail allowing researchers from the UCLA evaluation team to gather or obtain these data from our agency.

My agency commits to:

1. Confirm the estimation of African American population seen at my agency.
2. Implement the Eban II intervention as trained to do so.
3. Ask every client whether he or she is in an ongoing relationship.
4. Ask every client if he or she has a sexual partner of the opposite sex.
5. Receive referrals from other agencies.
6. Communicate about when couples are ready for groups and enter registration data on a laptop that will belong to the agency at the end of the project.
7. Screen all couples for eligibility.

8. Commit to run at least two Eban II intervention groups at our site.
9. Receive a payment of \$10,000 for our participation in the Eban II Project.

As a result of our participation in the Eban II Project, my agency will implement a cross-referral network with other providers called the State of California Implementation Network (SCIN). The SCIN will participate in regular conference calls to oversee all implementation issues and will be a resource to facilitate referral of clients to appropriate services within the agencies in the network. I also agree to join the State of California Implementation Network with other CBOs in California who provide services to individuals affected by or living with HIV/AIDS.

  
Signature

Gloria Lockett  
Print Name

Executive Director  
Title

CALPEP  
Name of Agency

## **Eban II Project Memorandum of Interest**

The East Bay AIDS Center (EBAC) agrees to participate in the Eban II Project, a collaborative effort to increase capacity for integrated HIV risk reduction for couples' services in the community.

EBAC will identify an agency Liaison who is on staff and will devote 10 hours per week to recruit couples, register them and organize groups. EBAC is the largest provider of HIV clinical services in Alameda County. We currently serve 1500 clients, of whom approximately 50% are African American. We provide primary care and HIV consultation, hospitalization, medical case management, psychotherapy, nutritional counseling and HIV prevention services.

We understand that the UCLA team will provide a series of trainings on HIV risk reduction and communication for couples, and program implementation and evaluation, resulting in a capacity building plan for my agency.

We understand that the agency liaison will attend a minimum of 95% of the training sessions on HIV risk reduction and communication as provided by the Eban II Project trainers. The training will be held at a local central site.

We understand that the UCLA evaluation team will also take the lead in evaluating the training and education (capacity-building) efforts of my agency, and will use these data from the EBAN II Project as a whole toward policy efforts to improve HIV implementation among agencies that serve African Americans.

EBAC will participate in a formal evaluation of the Eban II Project, which includes a pre- and post-assessment of agency programs and capacity, process evaluations of our progress toward sustainability, and pre- and post-assessments of clients who participate in new services or programs that result from the Eban II Project. This would entail allowing researchers from the UCLA evaluation team to gather or obtain these data from our agency in compliance with HIPPA regulations and EBAC privacy policies

EBAC commits to:

1. Confirm the estimation of African American population seen at my agency.
2. Implement the Eban II intervention as trained to do so.
3. Ask clients whether he or she is in an ongoing relationship.
4. Ask clients if he or she has a sexual partner of the opposite sex.
5. Receive appropriate referrals from other agencies.
6. Communicate about when couples are ready for groups and enter registration data on a laptop that will belong to the agency at the end of the project.
7. Screen couples for eligibility.
8. Commit to run at least two Eban II intervention groups at our site.
9. Receive a payment of \$10,000 for our participation in the Eban II Project.

As a result of our participation in the Eban II Project, EBAC will implement a cross-referral network with other providers called the State of California Implementation Network (SCIN). The SCIN will participate in regular conference calls to oversee all dissemination issues and will be a resource to facilitate referral of clients to appropriate services within the agencies in the network. We also agree to join the State of California Implementation Network with other CBOs in California who provide services to individuals affected by or living with HIV/AIDS.

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Lori Landis  
Department Manager  
East Bay AIDS Center  
Alta Bates Summit Medical Center



# WORLD

Women Organized to Respond to Life-threatening Diseases

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## Eban II Project Memorandum of Interest

On behalf of WORLD (Women Organized to Respond to Life-threatening Disease), I, Maura Riordan, Executive Director, agree to the above-named agency's participation in the Eban II Project, a collaborative to increase capacity for integrated HIV risk reduction for couples services in the community.

WORLD will be collaborating as an intervention site with the Eban II Project, and as such will identify an agency Liaison who is on staff and will devote 10 hours per week to recruit couples, register them and organize groups. WORLD connects HIV-positive women, their families, allies and communities to one another through peer-based education, support, advocacy, and leadership development. WORLD is a diverse organization for, by, and about women living with, and at risk for, HIV/AIDS. WORLD serves approximately 300 unduplicated HIV-positive women in the Bay Area and reaches thousands through local, national, and international programs on a yearly basis. Our current programs include Peer Advocacy (HIV positive women providing emotional and practical support to other women living with the virus), the Lotus Project (a national peer advocacy replication and training program), the Positive Women's Network (the first national advocacy body for, by and about HIV-positive women), HIV University (a 12 week peer-led participatory-based HIV treatment and health education program for HIV-positive women), POWERR (Prevention Outreach with Women Empowered to Reduce Risk - a seven session HIV-prevention intervention targeting girls of color aged 14-19 in Oakland high schools), as well as ongoing support groups for HIV-positive women, a quarterly newsletter for, by, and about women living with HIV, and an international exchange Mozambique.

I understand that the UCLA team will provide a series of trainings on the HIV risk reduction and communication for couples, and program implementation and evaluation, resulting in a capacity building plan for my agency.

I understand that the agency liaison will attend a minimum of 95% of the training sessions on HIV risk reduction and communication as provided by the Eban II Project trainers. The training will be held at a central site.

I understand that the UCLA evaluation team will also take the lead in evaluating the training and education (capacity-building) efforts of my agency, and will use these data from the EBAN II Project as a whole toward policy efforts to improve HIV implementation among agencies that serve African Americans.

WORLD will participate in a formal evaluation of the Eban II Project, which includes a pre-assessment of agency programs and capacity, post-assessment of agency programs and capacity, process evaluations of our progress toward sustainability, and pre- and post-

assessments of clients who participate in new services or programs that result from the Eban II Project. This would entail allowing researchers from the UCLA evaluation team to gather or obtain these data from our agency.

My agency commits to:

1. Confirm the estimation of African American population seen at my agency.
2. Implement the Eban II intervention as trained to do so.
3. Ask every client whether he or she is in an ongoing relationship.
4. Ask every client if he or she has a sexual partner of the opposite sex.
5. Receive referrals from other agencies.
6. Communicate about when couples are ready for groups and enter registration data on a laptop that will belong to the agency at the end of the project.
7. Screen all couples for eligibility.
8. Commit to run at least two Eban II intervention groups at our site.
9. Receive a payment of \$10,000 for our participation in the Eban II Project.

As a result of our participation in the Eban II Project, my agency will implement a cross-referral network with other providers called the State of California Implementation Network (SCIN). The SCIN will participate in regular conference calls to oversee all implementation issues and will be a resource to facilitate referral of clients to appropriate services within the agencies in the network. I also agree to join the State of California Implementation Network with other CBOs in California who provide services to individuals affected by or living with HIV/AIDS.

WORLD is honored and excited to collaborate with and participate in the Eban II Project. As an organization whose constituency is largely women of color, and in particular African-American women, living with and at risk for HIV, we are well aware of the need for research and interventions addressing the real-life needs and experiences of these communities. We anticipate that our work with the Eban II Project will build capacities and skills within our organization, as well as within the consumers whom we serve.



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Signature

Maura Riordan

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Print Name

Executive Director

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Title

WORLD

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Agency



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### **Eban II Project Memorandum of Interest**

On behalf of Healthy Oakland, I, Raymond E. Lankford, MSW, agree to the above-named agency's participation in the Eban II Project, a collaborative to increase capacity for integrated HIV risk reduction for couples' services in the community.

The agency will identify an agency Liaison who is on staff and will devote 10 hours per week to recruit couples, register them and organize groups. Our agency currently serves a large population of low-income African Americans through our clinic/center. We offer medical services for free to low cost. We have not taken a survey as to how many are HIV-positive. We refer patients for HIV testing to our consulting physician, Dr. H. Geoffrey Watson. Our current focus is to provide recruitment, testing referral, space & facilitators for couples' sessions.

I understand that the UCLA team will provide a series of trainings on the HIV risk reduction and communication for couples, and program implementation and evaluation, resulting in a capacity building plan for my agency.

I understand that the agency liaison will attend a minimum of 95% of the training sessions On HIV risk reduction and communication as provided by the Eban II Project trainers. The training will be held at a central site.

I understand that the UCLA evaluation team will also take the lead in evaluating the training and education (capacity-building) efforts of my agency, and will use these data from the EBAN II Project as a whole toward policy efforts to improve HIV implementation among agencies that serve African Americans.

My agency will participate in a formal evaluation of the Eban II Project, which includes a pre-assessment of agency programs and capacity, post-assessment of agency programs and capacity, process evaluations of our progress toward sustainability, and pre- and post-assessments of clients who participate in new services or programs that result from the Eban II Project. This would entail allowing researchers from the UCLA evaluation team to gather or obtain these data from our agency.

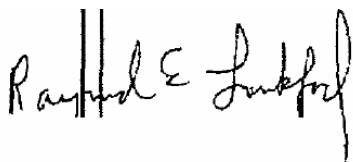
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3. Ask every client whether he or she is in an ongoing relationship.
4. Ask every client if he or she has a sexual partner of the opposite sex.
5. Receive referrals from other agencies.
6. Communicate about when couples are ready for groups and enter registration data on a laptop that will belong to the agency at the end of the project.
7. Screen all couples for eligibility.
8. Commit to run at least two Eban II intervention groups at our site.
9. Receive a payment of \$10,000 for our participation in the Eban II Project.

As a result of our participation in the Eban II Project, my agency will implement a cross-referral network with other providers called the State of California Implementation Network (SCIN). The SCIN will participate in regular conference calls to oversee all implementation issues and will be a resource to facilitate referral of clients to appropriate services within the agencies in the network. I also agree to join the State of California Implementation Network with other CBOs in California who provide services to individuals affected by or living with HIV/AIDS.

Healthy Communities is an agency located right in the heart of an area where people are plagued with drug addiction, mental illness, hopelessness and despair. We opened our doors 5 years ago and since that time we have touched thousands of lives through physical and mental care, our re-entry program for parolees, finding foster homes for children of Alameda County as well as spiritually through our Voices of Hope Community Church.

We realize that African Americans make up the most new cases in this country and that it is going to take a united effort to educate people on living with it and preventing a disease that is preventable.



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Signature

Raymond E. Lankford, MSW

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Print Name

Executive Director

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Title

Healthy Oakland

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Name of Agency



**Eban II Project**  
**Memorandum of Interest**

On behalf of the AIDS Healthcare Foundation (AHF), I, Homayoon Khanlou, MD agree to the above-named agency's participation in the Eban II Project, a collaborative to increase capacity for integrated HIV risk reduction for couples' services in the community.

The agency will identify an agency Liaison who is on staff and will devote 10 hours per week to recruit couples, register them and organize groups. AIDS Healthcare Foundation currently cares for 8,700 HIV positive patients living in the United States. As the nation's largest nonprofit provider of HIV/AIDS medical care, it is AHF's focus is to provide our patients with cutting-edge medicine and advocacy, regardless of their ability to pay.

I understand that the UCLA team will provide a series of trainings on the HIV risk reduction and communication for couples, and program implementation and evaluation, resulting in a capacity building plan for my agency.

I understand that the agency liaison will attend a minimum of 95% of the training sessions On HIV risk reduction and communication as provided by the Eban II Project trainers. The training will be held at a central site.

I understand that the UCLA evaluation team will also take the lead in evaluating the training and education (capacity-building) efforts of my agency, and will use these data from the EBAN II Project as a whole toward policy efforts to improve HIV implementation among agencies that serve African Americans.

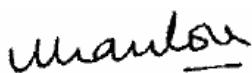
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My agency commits to:

1. Confirm the estimation of African American population seen at my agency.
2. Implement the Eban II intervention as trained to do so.
3. Ask every client whether he or she is in an ongoing relationship.
4. Ask every client if he or she has a sexual partner of the opposite sex.
5. Receive referrals from other agencies.
6. Communicate about when couples are ready for groups and enter registration data on a laptop that will belong to the agency at the end of the project.
7. Screen all couples for eligibility.
8. Commit to run at least two Eban II intervention groups at our site.
9. Receive a payment of \$10,000 for our participation in the Eban II Project.

As a result of our participation in the Eban II Project, my agency will implement a cross-referral network with other providers called the State of California Implementation Network (SCIN). The SCIN will participate in regular conference calls to oversee all implementation issues and will be a resource to facilitate referral of clients to appropriate services within the agencies in the network. I also agree to join the State of California Implementation Network with other CBOs in California who provide services to individuals affected by or living with HIV/AIDS.

AIDS Healthcare Foundation currently has 2,100 African American patients under our care in the United States. We feel that these patients could greatly benefit from the Eban II Project. We look forward to our collaboration as an intervention and referral site for this important project.



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Signature

Homayoon Khanlou, MD

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

Chief of Medicine

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

AIDS Healthcare Foundation

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Name of Agency

LOCATIONS:

- Inland Empire
- Los Angeles
- San Fernando Valley
- West Los Angeles



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April 29, 2010

Gail E. Wyatt, Ph.D.  
Professor, Dept. of Psychiatry & Biobehavioral Sciences  
UCLA Semel Institute for Neuroscience and Human Behavior  
Director, UCLA Sexual Health Program  
Director, Center for Culture, Trauma and Mental Health Disparities  
Associate Director, UCLA AIDS Institute  
Clinical Psychologist  
Sex Therapist

RE: Eban II Project

Dear Dr. Wyatt:

I am writing this letter in support of the Eban II Project. As the Administrative Director of Matrix Institute's opioid treatment program and the evaluator for a Targeted Capacity Expansion (TCE) HIV project, a Center for Substance Abuse Treatment grant that serves to expand and enhance services to Africa-American and Latino substance abusers at-risk for HIV, we understand and appreciate the importance of addressing an underserved population in need. Project Eban has benefited our community greatly in that it increased capacity for integrated HIV risk reduction services for couples, a much needed resource. With that said, we look forward to our continued collaboration with Eban and agree to serve as a Referral site for the Eban II project.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "D. George", written over a horizontal line.

Dan George, MPH  
Administrative Director  
Matrix Institute, OTP



## HIV & AIDS PROGRAMS

*"Where First Class People are Treated First Class"*

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April 21, 2010

Gail E. Wyatt, Ph.D., Professor  
Department of Psychiatry and Biobehavioral Science  
Jane & Terry Semel Institute for Neurosciences & Human Behavior  
University of California Los Angeles  
760 Westwood Plaza  
C8-867 NPI, BOX 175919  
Los Angeles, CA 90024-1759

Dear Dr. Wyatt:

On behalf of the OASIS Clinic at the Martin Luther King Jr. Multi Services Ambulatory Care Center, I, Dr. Wilbert C. Jordan, M.D., Director, agree to the above-named agency's participation in the Eban II Project, a collaborative to increase capacity for integrated HIV risk reduction for couples services in the community.

The agency will identify an agency Liaison who is on staff and will devote 10 hours per week to recruit couples, register them and organize groups. Our agency currently has 1100 HIV positive patients/clients. Our current focus is to provide total comprehensive care for HIV + persons.

I understand that the UCLA team will provide a series of trainings on the HIV risk reduction and communication for couples, and program implementation and evaluation, resulting in a capacity building plan for my agency.

I understand that the agency liaison will attend a minimum of 95% of the training sessions on HIV risk reduction and communication as provided by the Eban II Project trainers. The training will be held at a central site.

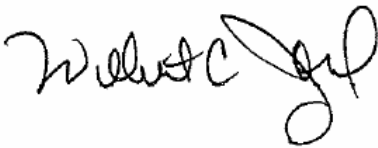
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My agency will participate in a formal evaluation of the Eban II Project, which includes a pre-assessment of agency programs and capacity, post-assessment of agency programs and capacity, process evaluations of our progress toward sustainability, and pre- and post-assessments of clients who participate in new services or programs that result from the Eban II Project. This would entail allowing researchers from the UCLA evaluation team to gather or obtain these data from our agency.

My agency commits to:

1. Confirm the estimation of African American population seen at my agency.
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Signature

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Wilbert C. Jordan, M.D., MPH

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Director

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Title

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OASIS Clinic / MLK-MACC

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Name of Agency

## **Eban II Project Memorandum of Interest**

On behalf of SPECTRUM Community Services and Research, I, Charles L. Hilliard, Ph.D., agree to the above named agency's participation in the Eban II Project, a collaborative to increase capacity for integrated HIV risk reduction for couples' services in the community.

The agency will identify an agency Liaison who is on staff and will devote 10 hours per week to recruit couples, register them and organize groups. Our agency currently serves approximately 400 HIV positive patients/clients. Our current focus is to provide mental health, case management, treatment education, peer support, home based case management and substance use/abuse treatment services.

I understand that the UCLA team will provide a series of trainings on the HIV risk reduction and communication for couples, and program implementation and evaluation, resulting in a capacity building plan for my agency.

I understand that the agency liaison will attend a minimum of 95% of the training sessions On HIV risk reduction and communication as provided by the Eban II Project trainers. The training will be held at a central site.

I understand that the UCLA evaluation team will also take the lead in evaluating the training and education (capacity-building) efforts of my agency, and will use these data from the EBAN II Project as a whole toward policy efforts to improve HIV implementation among agencies that serve African Americans.

My agency will participate in a formal evaluation of the Eban II Project, which includes a pre-assessment of agency programs and capacity, post-assessment of agency programs and capacity, process evaluations of our progress toward sustainability, and pre- and post-assessments of clients who participate in new services or programs that result from the Eban II Project. This would entail allowing researchers from the UCLA evaluation team to gather or obtain these data from our agency.

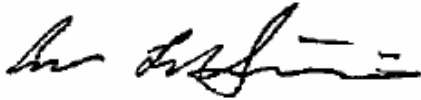
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issues and will be a resource to facilitate referral of clients to appropriate services within the agencies in the network. I also agree to join the State of California Implementation Network with other CBOs in California who provide services to individuals affected by or living with HIV/AIDS.

Given the need for this type of research in our community and our positive experience with Eban, SPECTRUM is pleased to continue its collaboration with the Eban II Project. To the extent our full participation is contingent on Drew IRB approval, we will work collaboratively with Dr. Gail Wyatt to ensure that such approval is received.



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Signature

Charles L. Hilliard, Ph.D.

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Print Name

Clinical Director

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Title

SPECTRUM Community Services and Research

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### **Eban II Project Memorandum of Interest**

On behalf Tarzana Treatment Centers, Inc (TTC), I, Albert M. Senella, agree to the above-named agency's participation in the Eban II Project, a collaborative to increase capacity for integrated HIV risk reduction for couples' services in the community.

The agency will identify an agency Liaison who is on staff and will devote 10 hours per week to recruit couples, register them and organize groups. Our agency currently has 800 HIV positive patients/clients. Our focus continues to be on providing high quality, affordable behavioral healthcare services in Los Angeles County. TTC's mission and values are realized through a continuum of integrated alcohol and other drug treatment; HIV/AIDS treatment, prevention, and education; mental health treatment and education; primary outpatient and medical care; and other areas of healthcare meeting community needs.

I understand that the UCLA team will provide a series of trainings on the HIV risk reduction and communication for couples, and program implementation and evaluation, resulting in a capacity building plan for my agency.

I understand that the agency liaison will attend a minimum of 95% of the training sessions on HIV risk reduction and communication as provided by the Eban II Project trainers. The training will be held at a central site.

I understand that the UCLA evaluation team will also take the lead in evaluating the training and education (capacity-building) efforts of my agency, and will use these data from the EBAN II Project as a whole toward policy efforts to improve HIV implementation among agencies that serve African Americans.

My agency will participate in a formal evaluation of the Eban II Project, which includes a pre-assessment of agency programs and capacity, post-assessment of agency programs and capacity, process evaluations of our progress toward sustainability, and pre- and post-assessments of clients who participate in new services or programs that result from the Eban II Project. This would entail allowing researchers from the UCLA evaluation team to gather or obtain these data from our agency.

My agency commits to:

1. Confirm the estimation of African American population seen at my agency.
2. Implement the Eban II intervention as trained to do so.

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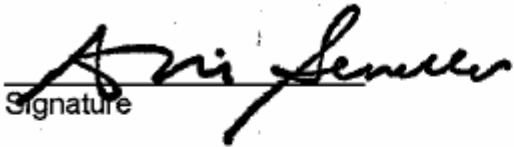
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3. Ask every client whether he or she is in an ongoing relationship.
4. Ask every client if he or she has a sexual partner of the opposite sex.
5. Receive referrals from other agencies.
6. Communicate about when couples are ready for groups and enter registration data on a laptop that will belong to the agency at the end of the project.
7. Screen all couples for eligibility.
8. Commit to run at least two Eban II intervention groups at our site.
9. Receive a payment of \$10,000 for our participation in the Eban II Project.

As a result of our participation in the Eban II Project, my agency will implement a cross-referral network with other providers called the State of California Implementation Network (SCIN). The SCIN will participate in regular conference calls to oversee all implementation issues and will be a resource to facilitate referral of clients to appropriate services within the agencies in the network. I also agree to join the State of California Implementation Network with other CBOs in California who provide services to individuals affected by or living with HIV/AIDS.

We are encouraged by the continuing dedication of the Eban II Project and hope that other agencies will embrace their efforts.

  
Signature

Albert M. Senella  
Print Name

President and COO  
Title

Tarzana Treatment Centers, Inc  
Name of Agency



**Eban II Project Referral Site  
Letter of Interest and Potential Participation**

April 21, 2010

Dear Dr. Gail Wyatt,

On behalf of Women Alive Coalition, I, Carrie Broadus, Executive Director agree to the above-named agency's participation in the Eban II Project, a collaborative to increase capacity of my agency to refer couples and/or to offer this eight week program for sero discordant African American couples in the community.

Our agency currently has 101 HIV positive patients/clients. Seven dedicated staff provides mental health services, medical updates, advocacy, HIV/AIDS prevention education, social service referrals, and we successfully facilitate a heterosexual support group.

I understand that the UCLA team will provide a series of trainings on the HIV risk reduction and communication for couples, and program implementation and evaluation, resulting in a capacity building plan for my agency.

I understand that I am participating along with a network of other agencies and state officials to ensure that we learn how to better serve couples and collaborate with other agencies to provide services to them.

I understand that the UCLA team will also take the lead in evaluating the training and education (capacity-building) efforts of my agency, and will use these data from the Eban II Project as a whole toward policy efforts to improve HIV dissemination among agencies that serve African Americans.

My agency will participate in being trained to conduct the Eban II Project, curricular and study which includes a pre-assessment of agency programs and capacity, post-assessment of agency programs and capacity, process evaluations of our progress toward sustainability, and pre- and post-assessments of clients who participate in the Eban II Project. This would entail allowing researchers from the UCLA evaluation team to gather or obtain these data from our agency. This project is being submitted to NIMH for funding.

My agency commits to:

1. Confirm the estimation of African American population seen at my agency.
2. Implement the Eban II intervention, as trained.
3. Ask every client whether he or she is in an ongoing relationship.

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**Eban II Project Referral Site  
Letter of Interest and Potential Participation**

4. Ask every client if he or she has a sexual partner of the opposite sex.
5. Receive referrals from other agencies and involve them in groups that may be ongoing.
6. Communicate about when couples are ready for groups and enter registration data on a laptop that will belong to the agency at the end of the project.
7. Screen all couples for eligibility.
8. Commit to run at least two Eban II intervention groups at our site.
9. Receive a payment of \$10,000 for our participation in the Eban II Project.
10. Evaluate the impact of the Eban Program on our agency, our clients and our ability to collaborate with other CBOs to serve couples.

As a result of our participation in the Eban II Project, my agency will join a cross-referral network with other CBO HIV /AIDS service providers, called the State of California Implementation Network (SCIN). This network will be a resource to facilitate the referral of clients to appropriate services within the network's member agencies. SCIN members will also participate in regular conference calls to oversee all implementation issues.

Women Alive Coalition seeks to increase knowledge within the HIV positive community as it relates to social & relationship needs, including facilitating the increased ability to communicate among sero-discordant couples and to encourage behavioral change through the use of risk-reduction methodology. WAC understands that we need these services in California and that our participation will improve how we serve couples and reduce HIV transmission. We will meet as a network to more specifically discuss each detail if this grant is funded.



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Signature

Carrie Broadus

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Print Name

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Executive Director

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Title

Women Alive Coalition

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Name of Agency



### **Eban II Project Memorandum of Interest**

On behalf of Women At Risk, I, Carmen Johnson agree to the above-named agency's participation in the Eban II Project, a collaborative to increase capacity for integrated HIV risk reduction for couples' services in the community.

The agency will identify an agency Liaison who is on staff and will devote 10 hours per week to recruit couples, register them and organize groups. Our agency currently has 650 HIV positive patients/clients. Our current focus is to provide psycho-social, emotional and educational support and services to women living with HIV/AIDS and their families and to provide prevention education to youth and community members.

I understand that the UCLA team will provide a series of trainings on the HIV risk reduction and communication for couples, and program implementation and evaluation, resulting in a capacity building plan for my agency.

I understand that the agency liaison will attend a minimum of 95% of the training sessions on HIV risk reduction and communication as provided by the Eban II Project trainers. The training will be held at a central site.

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Signature

Carmen Johnson

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Print Name

Executive Director

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Title

Women at Risk

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Name of Agency

### **3. Letters of Support – County and State Officials & Other Organizations**

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**David Holtgrave, Ph.D.**  
Professor and Department Chair

January 4, 2011

Gail E. Wyatt, Ph.D.  
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Dear Gail,

I am writing to confirm my willingness to establish a consortium agreement with UCLA for the R01 proposal, "Implementing Eban II: An Evidence-Based Intervention for Sero-Discordant Couples." I will examine the cost effectiveness of Eban implementation in addition to training staff to obtain information needed in order to calculate the cost savings of providing for two rather than one person living with or affected by HIV. My own work has focused on the cost effectiveness of a variety of HIV prevention interventions and the relationship of the findings of these studies to HIV prevention policy making. I will work closely with the research team, bring my expertise and integrate my data, particularly with regard to financial opportunities and burdens of the implementation process.

I will participate in the group's telephone conference calls, as needed. I appreciate the opportunity to collaborate in this important work and look forward to contributing to your goals. Best wishes for success in the funding review process.

Sincerely,



David Holtgrave, Ph.D.  
Professor and Chair





December 17, 2010

Peter C. Whybrow, M.D.  
Director

Gail E. Wyatt, Ph.D.  
UCLA Semel Institute for Neuroscience & Human Behavior  
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Dear Gail,

It is my pleasure to support your 5 year, NIMH proposal, "Implementing Eban II: An Evidence-Based Intervention for Sero-Discordant Couples". The study focuses on implementation of an evidence based intervention for sero-discordant African American couples that address disparities in health, mental health, and substance abuse. Your collaboration with the Oakland Office of AIDS ensures quality in the state wide research of HIV prevention.

These are areas of importance to the Semel Institute and your implementation grant is central to issues of increased diversity within the Department of Psychiatry at UCLA. This is an area of growing importance to NIH.

The biobehavioral approach fits well into translational research to take what we know to those in most need and adapt the focus appropriately.

The project will be primarily housed in the Semel Institute for Neuroscience and Human Behavior, an internationally known teaching and research facility dedicated to the study of human neuroscience and related fields. The Semel Institute is closely integrated to the Resnick Neuropsychiatric Hospital, housed within the Ronald Regan UCLA Medical Center, which features the most advanced technology in the world.

Our department of Psychiatry has a multi talented team of scientists and clinicians who are supportive of cutting edge research.

I wish you the best with your application and effort to mentor and train investigators who will be NIMH funded in the future.

Sincerely,

Peter C. Whybrow, M.D.  
Director, Semel Institute for Neuroscience and Human Behavior  
Judson Braun Distinguished Professor and Executive Chair  
Department of Psychiatry and Biobehavioral Sciences at the  
David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA  
Physician-In-Chief and CEO, Resnick Neuropsychiatric Hospital





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April 30, 2010

Gail E. Wyatt, Ph.D.  
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Dear Dr. Wyatt,

Thank you for the rich discussion regarding the Eban II Implementation proposal and the related State of California Implementation Network (SCIN). I understand that the Network will bring together three components of implementation of an intervention, Eban II, that can facilitate its sustainability across the state.

During our conversation, you informed me of the importance of the Eban II project because African American heterosexual men, women in relationships, and couples have been overlooked, especially in HIV prevention efforts. Eban II is a relationship-based program that will be a welcomed service in our region.

I am happy to offer any training available from the California STD/HIV Prevention Training Center (full course list available at [http://www.stdhivtrainina.org/course\\_catalogue.html](http://www.stdhivtrainina.org/course_catalogue.html)) for your study staff to further enhance their capacity. Furthermore, should you or your staff be interested in receiving specialized training from the California STD/HIV Prevention Training Center (CA PTC) in areas related to Evidence Based Interventions (EBI) implementation, adaptation, or enhancing interventions in a culturally appropriate manner we would be happy to do so. Finally, we would also be happy to share our experiences with EBI research translation efforts in "real-world" practice settings, including both barriers and facilitators to effect implementation in the field.

I support the need for both the network and the Eban II Implementation proposal.

Sincerely,

Alice Gandelman, MPH  
Director, CA PTC

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April 22, 2010

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Dear Dr. Wyatt:

Thank you for the description you provided of the Eban II Implementation project proposal that targets sero-discordant heterosexual African American couples as well as the information you shared about the proposed State of California Implementation Network. Clearly, these are both major undertakings and I commend you for tackling such important issues related to HIV prevention in this population. Your proactive desire and work to consider the implications at multiple levels of public health (municipal, county, and state) in anticipation of a successful implementation study is especially valuable from my perspective.

I very much look forward to hearing the results of the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) peer review of this proposal and to providing support from the state health department to facilitate your efforts at enhancing community awareness at the client and provider level about this project if it is funded. Once we are able to review your planned publication reporting on the outcomes of Eban I and in the event that the grant for Eban II Implementation receives NIMH funding, the California Department of Public Health, Center for Infectious Diseases, Office of AIDS will work with your investigators and our county and municipal public health partners to support the implementation of the study as appropriate and as our personnel resources allow. We will also consider the implications of such a partnership with your group with respect to the support of other relevant HIV prevention and care studies throughout California.

Again, I look forward to hearing back from you on the progress of this undertaking and will offer all appropriate support that is possible should Eban II Implementation project receive NIMH funding.

Sincerely,

Michelle Roland, M.D., Chief  
Office of AIDS

April 30, 2010

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Dear Gail:

It's great to hear that your team, after eight years, is moving into phase II of Eban, a wider dissemination of the curriculum to people in our community who are disproportionately affected by HIV/AIDS. I am aware of the highly acclaimed *AIDS* special issue describing the development of the Eban Protocol (August, 2008) and the baseline and final manuscripts currently under review. This couples-based study emphasizes a context for risk reduction interventions that is very relevant to how HIV/AIDS is transmitted – most often between two people.

Our department has provided resources and support and will continue to do so with the Eban II program. We are proud of your team's efforts and look forward to a reduction in HIV/AIDS cases in the Bay Area.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ronald V. Dellums".

Honorable Ron Dellums, Mayor

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Dear Dr. Wyatt:

On behalf of the City of Los Angeles I would like to express my support for the Eban II implementation proposal that you are submitting to the National Institute of Mental Health. This project would develop the State of California Implementation Network (SCIN) and evaluate the implementation and sustainability of the Eban project across the state on four levels: state, county, agency and couple.

The AIDS Coordinator's Office (ACO) recognizes the important role the Eban II project plays in targeting African American heterosexual men and women in relationships. Services that directly target this community have long been needed but are lacking in Los Angeles and across the state. Eban II is a relationship-based program that will be a welcomed intervention in our city.

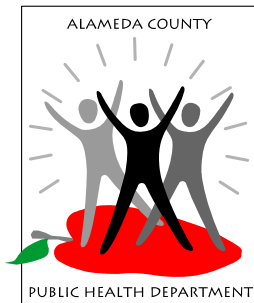
The ACO encourages the development of novel research and programs that target communities hard hit by the HIV epidemic in Los Angeles. From our founding more than 20 years ago we have been at the forefront in the development of programs that stem the spread of HIV.

The ACO will work to organize agencies that will participate in the network, make a representative from my office available to be on conference calls and assist in evaluating the implementation process over the next five years.

The ACO supports the need for both the network and the Eban II implementation proposal.

Sincerely,

Stephen David Simon  
AIDS Coordinator



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December 23, 2010

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Dear Dr. Wyatt,

HIV/AIDS continues to be a devastating epidemic within African American communities, posing a significant public health crisis. HIV/AIDS represents a health disparity where African Americans comprise 12 percent of the population but account for a disproportionately high number of the cases. Your efforts to address this epidemic are commendable and I am aware of your goal to disseminate the Eban intervention into the African American communities in California. Over the past 2 years OAA staff has met with you a number of times to discuss how best to collaborate and the optimal methods of informing agencies, County and State officials about the State of California Dissemination Coalition (SCDC). We have identified multiple collaborators including those in our community.

So on behalf of the Alameda County Office of AIDS, I would be delighted to establish a consortium agreement with UCLA for the R01 proposal, "Implementing Eban II: An Evidence-Based Intervention for Sero-Discordant Couples." This much needed project will offer the intervention to serodiscordant couples at community agencies. The Eban coordinator will be the liaison between the County Office of AIDS, our offices and your Steering Committee. The Eban coordinator will oversee the groups, provide funding for participant reimbursement, ensure that funds for agency liaisons will reach CBO's so that couples will be recruited, enrolled and groups will be run at each study site.

I agree to be on calls to discuss the implementation progress with investigators and Eban coordinators in Alameda County and Los Angeles, to address ongoing problems and to hear about successes. This is an important step for HIV/AIDS prevention in our State because three components, agencies, City/County and State infrastructure are involved in the dissemination and evaluation process.

Thank you for this opportunity to collaborate.

Sincerely,

Ron Hypolite (Kabir), Director

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**Eban II Project  
Letter of Support**

April 30, 2010

To whom it May concern,

On behalf of The UCLA Center for AIDS Research (CFAR) I, Jerome Zack, Director of the CFAR, agree to support the Eban II Project, a collaborative to increase capacity for integrated HIV risk reduction for couples' services in the community.

Sincerely,

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Dear Dr. Wyatt:

On behalf of the California HIV/AIDS Research Program (CHRP) at the University of California, we are pleased to express our strong support of the State of California Dissemination Coalition Network (SCDC) that will be implemented as part of the Eban II dissemination proposal.

As you know, CHRP funds basic biomedical, clinical, social/behavioral, health systems, and health policy research that will have direct impact upon HIV/AIDS in California. The program has a long history of funding innovative research that is at the forefront of HIV/AIDS science and in particular in identifying critical emerging issues and providing early support for studies in these areas.

Beginning in 1995, CHRP (previously the Universitywide AIDS Research Program) initiated a program of community collaborative research in HIV/AIDS to develop and strengthen academic-community partnerships to evaluate community-based approaches to HIV/AIDS prevention. Over the last 19 years, these grants have helped cultivate a culture of collaboration among community based providers, public health agencies, and researchers in California that have led to the development of key prevention interventions for a variety of diverse populations.

It is our understanding that the Eban II Dissemination Coalition Network will be building on this existing infrastructure of collaborative networks in California. In addition to addressing a critical gap in services to couples, particularly African Americans, the study itself will contribute in significant ways to our knowledge in the area of operational sciences that is so sorely lacking in HIV/AIDS research.

CHRP plans to work collaboratively with the research team in identifying our relevant current and past grantees and facilitating their participation in the network. Staff of CHRP will also participate and collaborate on evaluating the dissemination process during the course of the study.

Sincerely,

George F. Lemp, DrPH  
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#### **4. Letters of Support – Data Safety Monitoring Board (DSMB)**





May 5, 2010

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Dear Gail:

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I agree to be a member of the Data Safety Monitoring Board (DSMB) for five years, to:

1. Review the IRB protocol and Eban measures
2. Oversee the sampling, recruitment and retention of couples to ensure confidentiality and safety
3. Review pilot data and recommendations from the State of California Implementation Network (SCIN) to reuse measures
4. Review baseline data in Year Four (4) once the sample of 180 couples is fully recruited
5. Review analytic strategies to ensure adequate power; and
6. Review protocol findings, adverse events and the findings of the study when the trial ends in the last half of Year Five (5)

The DSMB will meet twice yearly or when necessary, using conference calls, face-to-face meetings with the SCIN and email communication.

I am willing to participate in this important implementation project.

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