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Dear Colleague,

The HIV/AIDS Bureau is pleased to announce the release of two new performance measures: 1) viral load monitoring; and 2) viral load suppression. Based on feedback, modifications have also been made to Hepatitis B screening and new questions have been added to the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs). For your information, the performance measures and FAQs are attached. The performance measures and the FAQs can also be accessed at: <http://hab.hrsa.gov/deliverhivaidscares/habperformmeasures.html>.

Grantees are also encouraged to visit the Target Center (<http://careacttarget.org/>) to view examples of clinical measurement tools that grantees have developed. The HIV/AIDS Bureau continues to be interested in receiving feedback regarding the core clinical performance measures. If you have any materials or information you would like to share in regards to the utility, suggestions for improvement, or examples of how the information has been used, please send an e-mail to HIVmeasures@hrsa.gov.

Thank you for your continued work in bringing quality services to our communities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Laura W. Cheever".

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