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To: Virginia A. Caine, MD, Director, Marion County Public Health Department  
Kristina Box, MD, Indiana State Health Commissioner

Re: Concurrence with the Marion County Ending the HIV Epidemic (EHE) Plan

Dear Dr. Caine and Dr. Box:

On behalf of the Marion County EHE Task Force, thank you for providing the Task Force with a copy of the final Marion County Ending the HIV Epidemic (EHE) Plan, and providing the Task Force with a presentation of the final EHE Plan on November 12, 2020 and an opportunity for review and discussion.

The Task Force notes the efforts made to convene an open, transparent, and consultative EHE planning process starting in February 2020, with eight monthly Task Force meetings and numerous working group and focus group meetings held during the year, with all due precautions, in the midst of the COVID-19 epidemic.

The Task Force also appreciates the diligence and responsiveness of The Health Foundation of Greater Indianapolis and Johnson, Grossnickle & Associates to manage the many conference calls and to rapidly respond and incorporate suggestions from the Task Force throughout the year.

The Task Force has received the final EHE Plan and affirms that the Marion County EHE Plan aligns with the priorities stated in the state integrated HIV plan and other state plans related to HIV.

On behalf of the Task Force, the co-chairs are therefore pleased to affirm the Task Force concurrence with the Marion County EHE Plan and whole-heartedly endorse the IDOH's submission of this EHE Plan to the CDC and to other Federal agencies.

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