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Dear Ryan White Provider:

The Indiana State Department of Health HIV Services Ryan White Part B Program in collaboration with the Indianapolis TGA Ryan White HIV Services Program is pleased to announce the first-ever Cross-Agency Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Services Report (RSR) Plan.

As many of you know, the RSR is an annual federal reporting requirement that must be completed by organizations that administrate federal funding as well as the agencies that they fund to provide direct services to people with HIV. The RSR is a mechanism to highlight the outstanding work in Indiana at not only the state and local level, but the federal level as well. The data that you report helps paint a picture of who receives RHWAP funded services in Indiana, what specific services they receive and clinical outcomes as a result of these services. In addition, it is the main report used to inform our funder, the Health Resources and Services Administration HIV/AIDS Bureau, how we use the resources they provide us to serve people with HIV. The RSR data is also included in national publications such as the just-released [2018 Client-Level Data Report](#).

While both the Indiana State Department of Health HIV Services Ryan White Part B Program and the Indianapolis TGA Ryan White HIV Services Program have historically provided separate guidance to funded providers regarding how to complete the RSR, given our CAREWare collaboration as well as the expansion of RHWAP funding to agencies in Indiana, coordinating reporting through a Cross-Agency RSR Plan offers clear benefits:

- A standardized process for completing the RSR
- A common timeline clearly outlining expectations of funded agencies
- Clear and consistent communication regardless of how agencies are funded
- Fewer provider resources needed by coordinating with single points of contact at agencies
- Shared technical assistance resources

We believe that this approach will enable us to have a more effective and efficient standardized RSR process. We will continue to identify opportunities to work together to optimize our resources, minimize administrative burden among funded providers and ultimately ensure the highest quality of care for people with HIV in Indiana.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark A. Schwering".

Mark A. Schwering  
Ryan White Part B Program Director

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael S. Butler".

Michael S. Butler  
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