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Reference: Department of State Health Services Application under Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Funding Opportunity Announcement PS17-1711

Ms. Zumbrun:

The purpose of this letter is to communicate the support of the Texas HIV Syndicate for the Texas Department of State Health Services in applying for grant activities associated with the funding opportunity announcement PS17-1711: *Use of molecular HIV surveillance to identify active HIV transmission networks and implement HIV interventions for Hispanic/Latino men who have sex with men (MSM)*.

As the integrated planning group for Texas, the Texas HIV Syndicate supports the goal of identifying networks that include Hispanic/Latino MSM in which active transmission is occurring and delivering a combination of high-impact HIV prevention services to persons in the networks. We look forward to participating in a coordinated effort to address the HIV prevention and treatment needs of persons living with HIV and those most at risk.

Sincerely,	Brandon Wellen
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