Southeastern Indiana HIV Outbreak Response Update: Tuesday April 7, 2015

Current Situation

State health officials reported a total of 89 cases of HIV-related cases (84 confirmed and five preliminary positive cases) on Friday, April 3.

Services are being provided in the form of a One-Stop Shop at the Austin Community Outreach Center, 2277 W. Frontage Road, Austin, Ind. The Center is open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and noon to 6 p.m. on Sunday.

A free shuttle service is being provided by Grace Covenant Church. Participants in need of transportation service to and from the Community Outreach Center from Austin can call (317) 617-2223.

<u>MEDIA NOTE:</u> Some residents have reported feeling uncomfortable visiting the Community Outreach Center due to the presence of cameras and media. In order to encourage more residents to take advantage of services, <u>center staff requests that media do not visit the Community Outreach Center</u>.

All figures provided are current through 3:00 p.m., Monday, April 6, 2015.

One-Stop Shop Update

ISDH opened a One-Stop Shop on Monday, March 30, in coordination with local partners and other state agencies. The One-Stop Shop provides access to state-issued ID cards, birth certificates, and can enroll individuals in HIP 2.0 insurance. The Shop also provides HIV testing, care coordination and substance abuse referrals and vaccinations against tetanus, Hepatitis A and B. The One-Stop Shop is located at the Austin Community Outreach Center.

Total Services Utilized: 133 HIV Testing: 27 Immunizations: 30 Bureau of Motor Vehicles: 11 LifeSpring Mental Health Services: 5 Department of Health Vital Records: 14 Family and Social Services Administration (HIP 2.0 enrollment): 46

Governor Pence's Executive Order

Governor Michael R. Pence signed a comprehensive emergency executive order on March 25, declaring a public health emergency in Scott County and permitting Scott County Health Department to design and administer a limited and focused short-term needle exchange program. The program will be implemented under the supervision of the Indiana State Department of Health and will expire on April 25.

Needle Exchange Program Update

Operated by the Scott County Health Department, the needle exchange program includes Scott County residents only. Participants will be counseled as to their drug use and provided needles based upon their use for a week. Participants are asked to return used needles for proper disposal.

Participants will be provided with substance abuse, mental health and other appropriate resources at every visit, as well as sharps containers for safe disposal of used needles. The program will collect basic demographic information for research and statistical purposes, but will not be collecting names.

Total Visitors: 4 Total Needles Provided: 168 Estimated Needles Returned: 300

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