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Department of Human Services
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John Elias Baldacci
Governor

Peter E. Walsh
Acting Commissioner

February 5, 2004

Members of the Joint Standing Committee
on Health and Human Services
Cross Office Building, Room 202
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Senator Brennan, Representative Kane and members of the Health and Human Services Committee:

I have enclosed the 2003 Hypodermic Apparatus Exchange Program Report provided by the HIV/STD Program of the Department of Human Services', Bureau of Health. As you know, we are required by Maine law 22MRS c.252-A, sec. 1341, Hypodermic Apparatus Exchange Programs, to file this report annually. Please contact us with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dora Ann Mills".

Dora Ann Mills, M.D., M.P.H.
Director, Bureau of Health
State Health Officer

Enclosure: Hypodermic Apparatus Exchange Program Report for 2003

January 2004
Bureau of Health, HIV/STD Program

Hypodermic Apparatus Exchange Programs Report for 2003

Maine law, 22 MRSA c.252-A, sec. 1341 Hypodermic Apparatus Exchange Programs requires the Bureau of Health to file an annual report to the Legislature's Judiciary and Health and Human Services Committees on the status of exchange programs certified under this section. The required information is contained below.

Certified Hypodermic Apparatus Exchange Programs in Maine: There are three certified Hypodermic Apparatus Exchange Programs in Maine. The City of Portland, located in Portland was certified in November 1998, Down East AIDS Network, located in Ellsworth, was certified in September 2000 and the Eastern Maine AIDS Network, located in Bangor, was certified in March 2002. The City of Portland and the Eastern Maine AIDS Network have been in continuous operation since shortly after certification. Down East AIDS Network is not currently operating a program. For agency specific data on the City of Portland's and the Eastern Maine AIDS Network's Hypodermic Apparatus Exchange Programs, please see Attachments A and B respectively.

Operational Hypodermic Apparatus Exchange Programs in Maine:

Operator: City of Portland
Health and Human Services Department
Public Health Division
389 Congress Street, Room 307
Portland, ME 04101

Location of Sites for City of Portland

India Street Public Health Center 103 India Street Portland, ME 04101	Mobile Exchange City of Portland Maine
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Operator: Eastern Maine AIDS Network
370 Harlow Street
Bangor, ME 04401

Location of Sites for Eastern Maine AIDS Network

Eastern Maine AIDS Network 370 Harlow Street Bangor, ME 04401	Mobile Exchange Penobscot, Aroostook, Piscataquis counties Maine
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Aggregate Data for Maine Hypodermic Apparatus Exchange Programs

Indicator	Quantity
Total Enrolled	195
New Enrollees	59
Syringes Collected	5004
Syringes Distributed	3498
Total Exchanges	443
Number of Off-site Exchanges	74
Referrals Made	60

Referrals by Type

Primary Care	8	HIV CTR	15
Hepatitis C CTR	19	Substance Abuse Treatment	10
Teen Center	3	Recovery House	3
Narcotics Anonymous	2	STD Services	7
Penquis CAP	4	Harm Reduction Coalition	3
AIDS Service Organization	1		

**Attachment A
Portland Needle Exchange
City of Portland
Annual Report: 2003**

Operator: HIV/STD Program
Public Health Division
Health and Human Services Dept.,
City of Portland
Portland, ME 04101

Location of Sites India Street Public Health Center Mobile Exchange
103 India Street City of Portland
Portland, ME 04101 Maine

Indicator	Quantity
Total Enrolled	170
New Enrollees	48
Syringes Collected	3962
Syringes Distributed	2626
Total Exchanges	351
Number of Off-site Exchanges	48
Referrals Made	35

Referrals by Type:

Primary Care	8
HIV CTR	10
Hepatitis C CTR	19
Substance Abuse Treatment	5
Teen Center	3
Recovery Houses	3
Narcotics Anonymous	2

Attachment B
Eastern Maine AIDS Network
Needle Exchange Program
Annual Report: 2003

Operator: Eastern Maine AIDS Network
 370 Harlow Street
 Bangor, ME 04401

Location of Sites Eastern Maine AIDS Network Mobile Exchange
 370 Harlow Street Penobscot, Aroostook,
 Bangor, ME 04401 Piscataquis counties
 Maine

Indicator	Quantity
Total Enrolled	25
New Enrollees	11
Syringes Collected	1042
Syringes Distributed	872
Total Exchanges	92
Number of Off-site Exchanges	26
Referrals Made	25

Referrals by Type:

HIV CTR	5
Substance Abuse Treatment	5
STD Services	7
Penquis CAP	4
AIDS Service Organization	1
Harm Reduction Coalition	3