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February 23, 2005

Senator Barry Hobbins, Co-Chair
Representative Deborah Pelletier-Simpson, Co-Chair
Committee on Judiciary
State House
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Senator Hobbins, Representative Pelletier-Simpson and Members of the Committee:

Enclosed is the 2004 Hypodermic Apparatus Exchange Program Report provided by the HIV, STD and Viral Hepatitis Program of the Bureau of Health, Department of Health and Human Services.

As you know, we are required by Maine law, 22 MRSA c.252-A, sec. 1341, Hypodermic Apparatus Exchange Programs, to file this report annually. Please contact me with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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Director
Bureau of Health

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cc: Mike Hall, Deputy Commissioner, DHHS
Lucky Hollander, Director, Legislative Relations, DHHS

February 2005
Bureau of Health, HIV/STD Program

Hypodermic Apparatus Exchange Programs Report for 2004

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 were four certified Hypodermic Apparatus Exchange Programs in Maine in 2005. The City of Portland, located in Portland was certified in November 1998, Down East AIDS Network, located in Ellsworth, was certified in September 2000, the Eastern Maine AIDS Network, located in Bangor, was certified in March 2002 and PreventionWorks Harm Reduction Services, located in Lewiston, was certified in January 2004. 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. PreventionWorks Harm Reduction Services had to reapply for certification after the agency merged with another provider of similar services in July; therefore, they only operated from January through July. For agency specific data on the City of Portland's, Eastern Maine AIDS Network's and PreventionWorks Harm Reduction Services' Hypodermic Apparatus Exchange Programs, please see Attachments A, B and C 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
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Operator: PreventionWorks Harm Reduction Services
 145 Lisbon St., Suite 305
 Lewiston, ME 04240

Location of Sites for PreventionWorks Harm Reduction Services

PreventionWorks Harm Reduction Services	Mobile Exchange
145 Lisbon St., Suite 305	Androscoggin and
Lewiston, ME 04240	Oxford counties

Aggregate Data for Maine Hypodermic Apparatus Exchange Programs

Indicator	Quantity
Total Enrolled	291
New Enrollees	86
Syringes Collected	4816
Syringes Distributed	4282
Total Exchanges	546
Number of Off-site Exchanges	32
Referrals Made	95

Referrals by Type

Primary Care	7	HIV Testing	27
Hepatitis C Testing	14	Substance Abuse Treatment	54
STD Services	7	Housing	4

Attachment A
Portland Needle Exchange
City of Portland
Annual Report: 2004

Operator: *City of Portland*

Location of Sites *India Street Public Health Center*
103 India Street
Portland, ME 04101
Est. October 1999

Indicator	Quantity
Total Enrolled	230
New Enrollees	50
Syringes Collected	2228
Syringes Distributed	2021
Total Exchanges	305
Number of Off-site Exchanges	1
Referrals Made	46

List Referrals by Type:

<i>Primary Care</i>	6
<i>STD Clinic</i>	7
<i>HIV Testing</i>	17
<i>Hepatitis C Testing</i>	9
<i>Substance Abuse Treatment</i>	21
<i>Housing</i>	4

Attachment B
Eastern Maine AIDS Network Needle Exchange
Annual Report 2004

Operator: *Eastern Maine AIDS Network*
PO Box 2038
Bangor, ME 04402

Location of Sites	<i>Agency Office</i>	<i>Outreach</i>
	370 Harlow St. In –Town Plaza Bangor ME 04401 Est. June 2002	Various locations as needed Bangor, ME 04401 Est. June 2002

Indicator	Quantity
Total Enrolled	55
New Enrollees	30
Syringes Collected	2187
Syringes Distributed	2154
Total Exchanges	226
Number of Off-site Exchanges	27
Referrals Made	45

List Referrals by Type:	<i>HIV Testing</i>	8
	<i>Substance Abuse Treatment</i>	33
	<i>Hepatitis C Testing</i>	4

Attachment C
PreventionWorks Harm Reduction Services
SaferShot Needle Exchange Program
Annual Report 2004

Operator: *PreventionWorks Harm Reduction Services*

Location of Sites *SaferShot Needle Exchange Program*
145 Lisbon St., Suite 305
Lewiston, ME 04240
Est. January 2004

Indicator	Quantity
Total Enrolled	6
New Enrollees	6
Syringes Collected	401
Syringes Distributed	107
Total Exchanges	15
Number of Off-site Exchanges	4
Referrals Made	4

List Referrals by Type: *Primary Care* 1
HIV Testing 2
Hepatitis C Testing 1