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To: Local Health Departments

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Subject: **Use of 340B STD Funds for HIV nPEP, HIV PrEP, and Doxy PEP**

This memo is an update to a prior memo sent out January 10, 2024 outlining criteria under which local health departments may utilize unspent 340B STD state provided funds to purchase medications for HIV non-occupational Post-Exposure Prophylaxis (nPEP), Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP), and doxycycline post-exposure prophylaxis (Doxy PEP) in STI prevention efforts.

Criteria for using unspent 340B state provided funds for HIV nPEP, PrEP, and Doxy PEP:

- **In mid-March and mid-May of each year, LHDs must assure at least a three-month supply of the STD drugs required to treat the STIs as listed in the NC Administrative Code, [10A NCAC 41A .0204](#) are available on-hand at the LHD.**

If the above condition has been met, any unspent or uncommitted 340B STD state provided funds can be used to purchase HIV nPEP and HIV PrEP medications as well as doxycycline for Doxy PEP before the end of the Addendum Agreement's (AA#894 "STD Drugs") two (2) funding periods on March 31st and May 31st, respectively. We hope this will support LHD efforts to increase access to these highly effective HIV and STI prevention strategies for the residents you serve.

Due to the expense of HIV nPEP and PrEP medications, we continue to recommend that the 340B STD funds only be used to bridge eligible clients until a definitive source for the medication is established (e.g. patient assistance programs or insurance coverage). As a reminder, all clients receiving medication purchased under your STD 340b registration must be a [340b-eligible patient](#) (<https://www.340bpvp.com/Documents/Public/340B%20Tools/340b-glossary-of-terms.pdf>).

The most up to date CDC HIV nPEP, HIV PrEP, and Doxy PEP guidelines can be accessed at the following websites:

- [Updated guidelines for antiretroviral postexposure prophylaxis after sexual, injection drug use, or other nonoccupational exposure to HIV—United States, 2016 \(cdc.gov\)](#)
- [Clinical Guidance for PrEP | HIV Nexus | CDC](#)
- [CDC Clinical Guidelines on the Use of Doxycycline Postexposure Prophylaxis for Bacterial Sexually Transmitted Infection Prevention, United States, 2024 | MMWR](#)

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