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TO: BLOOD BANKS AND PLASMA CENTERS

SUBJECT: ELIMINATION OF SEMI-ANNUAL SUMMARY OF HIV-1/HIV-2 TESTING
IN CALIFORNIA BLOOD BANKS AND PLASMA CENTERS

The State of California, Department of Health Services (DHS), Office of AIDS (OA), is no longer requiring blood banks and plasma centers to report semi-annual statistical summaries of HIV-1/HIV-2 testing results. Previously, these results were reported to OA via DHS Form 8548. Effective immediately, OA is requesting that blood banks and plasma centers no longer prepare and submit these reports.

Please note that all other HIV/AIDS statutory reporting obligations for blood banks and plasma centers remain in effect. To reference the applicable California codes, please refer to the California Health and Safety Code, available through the internet at: <http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/>. HIV reporting regulations can be obtained through the OA Website at: <http://www.dhs.ca.gov/ps/ooa/HIVReporting/HIVReportingRegulations.htm>.

Thank you for your cooperation and participation in preparing these reports in the past. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (916) 449-5866 or e-mail at LLund@dhs.ca.gov.

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