



CHAIRMAN'S MEMORANDUM

NO. 9-98

May 26, 1998

**TO: SHERIFFS, JAIL ADMINISTRATORS, COMMISSIONERS OF CORRECTION,
MEDICAL COORDINATORS**

RE: Continuing Education Regarding HIV/AIDS for Clinicians

Clinician's Guide to HIV Testing:

The NYS Department of Health's AIDS Institute has recently developed a Clinician's Guide to HIV Pre-Test and Post-Test Counseling that summarizes what should be included in these counseling sessions. This format follows the responsibilities of HIV confidentiality according to Article 27-F of the Public Health Law. A copy of this guideline is attached to the copy of this memo going to your Medical Coordinator to review and serve as a resource to update their policy and procedure in this area.

HIV Treatment:

In an effort to encourage individuals who may be at risk for HIV to have an HIV test, clinicians must continue to enhance their knowledge of the continuing changes in HIV treatment.

Please find attached information regarding another statewide teleconference regarding Case Discussions of Antiviral therapy to be held on June 16, 1998.

Any questions, please contact Bill Gaunay of our Forensic Medical Unit at 518-485-2482.

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