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To: University of Arizona Campus Health Service

Att. David Salafsky

From: University of Arizona's Division of Infectious Disease, Petersen HIV Clinic and AIDS

**Education & Training Center** 

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Concerning: Campus Health's 100th Anniversary

To Whom It May Concern:

The Petersen HIV Clinic (PHC) and AIDS Education & Training Center (AETC), housed within the University of Arizona's (UA) Division of Infectious Diseases, have enjoyed a long history of collaboration with Campus Health to address HIV/AIDS in Southern Arizona and it gives us great pleasure to share in the celebration of their notable achievements!

Over the years, we have worked collectively with Campus Health to ensure that UA students who are living with, or at risk for, HIV/AIDS have seamless access to high-quality clinical services. We have participated in learning sessions together, engaged in referral partnerships, discussed improvement projects and held consultations by phone, email as well as in person. Staff and leadership from Campus Health have consistently demonstrated an exceptional level of commitment to promoting health and wellness throughout our community and their ongoing efforts are greatly needed. A recent report from the Arizona Department of Health Services' (ADHS) notes that HIV is on the rise for youth in Southern Arizona. According to ADHS' 2018 Annual HIV Surveillance Report, "...individuals in their 20's had the highest HIV/AIDS incidence rates in the state during 2017 with 20-24 year olds at 23.5 cases per 100,000 individuals and 25-29 year olds at 32.0 cases per 100,000(1)." Campus Health recognizes that youth populations are at risk for HIV in Arizona and, in response, has taken considerable efforts to inform, educate, protect and offer professional and compassionate HIV-related service UA students.

In commemoration of your achievements and ongoing efforts towards getting Tucson and UA once step closer to 'Zero,' bravo Campus Health!

Sincerely,

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