Dear Colleagues,

I am delighted to announce that beginning August 11, 2014, Dr. Eugene McCray will serve as the Director of the Division of HIV/AIDS Prevention (DHAP) in NCHHSTP. Dr. McCray brings many years of domestic and global experience in HIV and TB prevention and control to his work in DHAP.

Many of you know Dr. McCray, as he has been instrumental in CDC’s efforts from the early years of the HIV/AIDS epidemic and in 2000 he helped to stand up and then lead CDC’s Global AIDS Program. Dr. McCray began his career at the CDC in 1983 as an Epidemic Intelligence Service Officer and has since served in a number of capacities throughout CDC.

Dr. McCray most recently was the Chief of the International Research and Programs Branch in DTBE. Prior to this position, Dr. McCray was the Acting Deputy Director in the Coordinating Office for Global Health at CDC from 2004 to 2007 and Director of CDC’s Global AIDS Program from 2000 to 2004. In these positions, Dr. McCray directed and developed epidemiological, programmatic, and research activities, as well as facilitated collaboration across CDC, with other US government agencies, multilateral and international agencies, and Ministries of Health. He is recognized globally as an expert in HIV/AIDS and TB and has dedicated most of his career to improving the health of underserved communities both in the United States and globally.

Dr. McCray completed his clinical training in internal medicine at North Carolina Memorial Hospital, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill in 1983 and an Infectious Diseases Fellowship in 1992 at University of Washington Medical Center, Seattle, Washington. He has authored or co-authored more than 60 scholarly articles and has received numerous awards for his scientific and public health contributions, including the US Public Health Service’s highest honor award, the PHS Distinguished Service Medal, and CDC’s William C. Watson Medal of Excellence award.

I would like to extend a special thank you to Dr. Ken Castro for acting as the Director of the Division of HIV/AIDS Prevention for the past twelve months. He provided excellent leadership and service to NCHHSTP. Please join me in welcoming Dr. Eugene McCray as Director of DHAP. I look forward to your support of Dr. McCray as we continue our work to prevent and treat HIV.

All the best,

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