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HealthHIV Expands Board of Directors with HIV Primary Care, Minority Health, and HIV Medical Education Experts

WASHINGTON, DC – HealthHIV announces the addition of three new members to its Board of Directors: Donna E. Sweet, M.D., MACP; Robyn L. Watson, Ph.D.; and Dion Richetti, D.C.

Dr. Donna Sweet is a certified HIV specialist, caring for approximately 1,000 HIV positive patients in Kansas, as well as principal investigator and director of the Kansas AIDS Education and Training Center. She is the co-chair of the Centers for Disease Control/Health Resources and Services Administration Advisory Committee (CHAC) on HIV and STD Prevention and Care and former Board Chair of the American College of Physicians. Dr. Sweet also is principal investigator and medical director of the Ryan White Part C Early Intervention Program, for which she has recently secured funding to begin a Ryan White Part D Family Services program to care for women, infants, children and youth infected and affected by HIV.

As Director of the Public Health Division at the United Negro College Fund Special Programs Corporation, Dr. Robyn Watson oversees the organization's public health related research and evaluation, develops and manages public health programs, administers public health internships, produces public health publications, and performs professional services relating to traditionally underrepresented populations. Dr. Watson has a Ph.D in Health Services Organization & Policy with a special focus on women and minority health.

Dr. Dion Richetti has been involved professionally in HIV prevention, care, treatment, and education for twenty years. As General Manager at the Discovery Institute of Medical Education (DIME), Dr. Richetti develops medical education across the broader healthcare spectrum, and has been involved with the Ryan White Program as a provider, grant applicant/recipient and grant reviewer. A former Director of the AIDS Education Division at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, Dr. Richetti served as President and Vice-President of the National Association of AIDS Education and Training Centers (AETCs).

HealthHIV is a national 501(c)(3) non-profit organization based in Washington, D.C. working with organizations, communities and professionals to advance effective prevention, care, and support for people living with, or at risk for, HIV/AIDS through education and training, technical assistance and capacity building, advocacy, and health services research and evaluation. HealthHIV supports primary care providers treating HIV, as well as community and faith-based organizations involved in HIV prevention, care and treatment. For more information on HealthHIV, visit www.healthhiv.org.