MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING is entered into this 15th day of May, 2006, by and between the State of Illinois, acting through the Department of Public Health and hereinafter called the "State" and the AIDS Foundation of Chicago.

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WHEREAS, the State has an interest to provide for the health, safety and welfare of its residents; and

WHEREAS, the AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) provides HIV/AIDS medications to low-income people living with HIV in Illinois; and

WHEREAS, there are an estimated 120 ADAP clients living with HIV who are also infected with viral hepatitis, a fatal disease that can destroy the liver; and

WHEREAS, people whose livers fail because of viral hepatitis may need organ transplants, and must take medication to prevent rejection of the donated organ; and

WHEREAS, viral hepatitis treatment is not currently covered by ADAP; and

WHEREAS, the project is in the best interest of the State and its residents and hereby the Parties shall enter into an agreement, to be effective for fiscal year 2007 and subject to compliance with all applicable State laws and necessary certifications, on the basis of the following terms, among others:

The State agrees:

1. To provide as much as needed up to $250,000 from ADAP to increase the formulary for medications for treatment of viral hepatitis and anti-rejection of organ transplants due to viral hepatitis, using guidelines developed by IDPH in consultation with the Medical Advisory Committee to determine which patients should receive treatment and drug assistance.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the State and the AIDS Foundation of Chicago have caused this Memorandum of Understanding to be executed by their authorized representatives on the 15th Day of May, 2006.

FOR AIDS FOUNDATION OF CHICAGO

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Mark Isauag
AIDS Foundation of Chicago

FOR THE STATE:

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Dr. Eric Whitaker
Director
Department of Public Health