



**Indiana
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of
Health**



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Name of Agency or Office: Indiana Department of Health

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Name of Recipient: John C. Nichols and Jeremy Davis

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ETHICS COMMISSION

Title of Recipient: Prevention Director and HIV and Hepatitis Prevention Manager

Brief Description of Item Solicited, Accepted, or Received and Approximate value of item:

The Indiana Department of Health is requesting that two employees from the Division of HIV, STI and Viral Hepatitis be allowed to accept airfare, hotel accommodations, meals, and airport transfers to attend the FOCUS Partner Summit. The value of hotel accommodations 616.37 per person and air fare is \$269 per person, or a total of \$1770 for both.

Date of Receipt: October 3-5, 2023

Name of Donor: Derek Spencer, Executive Director, Gilead Sciences, Inc.

Donor's Address: 333 Lakeside Drive, Foster City, CA 94404

Nature of Business Relationship with Agency: IDOH participates in the 340b federal rebate program. Gilead is one of several pharmaceutical companies that provide drug rebates to IDOH through this program for HIV treatment medications, PrEP medications, and STD treatment medications through agreements with the Department of Health and Human Services. Gilead's sponsorship of IDOH's attendance at the FOCUS Partner Summit is through their 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organization, which is endowed by Gilead Sciences, Inc. Gilead has offered invitations to all states and entities that are covered under their FOCUS project.

State Why Acceptance is in the Public Interest: The FOCUS Partner Summit (Frontlines of Communities in the United States) provides funding to address systemic and institutional barriers to routine care. IDOH has collaborated with FOCUS for six years to fund Indiana hospitals, health care networks and clinics to end the HIV and HCV epidemics. Attendance will allow these IDOH employees to connect with FOCUS partners, nationally recognized researchers, clinicians, government officials, and public health leaders on the frontlines in key communities

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Gift Waiver
John C. Nichols and Jeremy Davis, FOCUS Partner Summit

to explore best practices and the steps needed to address blood-borne viruses like Hepatitis C and HIV more effectively through screening and linkage to care. Through these partnerships IDOH can better leverage care and resources for the Hoosiers IDOH serves.

Erin R. Elam
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