

## Media Advisory



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### **THIRD ANNUAL L.A. SUMMIT ON HEPATITIS C TO TACKLE DISEASE AMONG INCARCERATED POPULATIONS, HIV COINFECTION**

*Mayor Villaraigosa and Supervisor Molina Co-Chair Summit for Local Officials,  
Consumers and Activists*

Los Angeles, Calif., November 15, 2005 – The third annual Hepatitis C Summit will be held at the Radisson Wilshire Plaza Hotel on Thursday, November 17, with a program beginning at 9:15 AM. The summit will provide a forum for education and discussion among local elected and appointed officials, community-based organizations, medical experts and consumers on the emerging hepatitis C epidemic and the impact of the disease on infected individuals and at-risk populations in Los Angeles County.

**Schedule:** Assemblymember Paul Koretz (D-West Hollywood) will receive an award for his work. The keynote address by L.A. City AIDS Coordinator Stephen David Simon will be followed by:

- Hepatitis C Prevention, Testing and Treatment Inside and Outside of L.A. County Jails / *Peter Anderson, USC Medical Center*
- Hepatitis C in California Prisons / *Martha Sally*
- HCV and the Post-Incarcerated and Homeless / *Neva Chaupette*
- HIV/HCV Coinfection Forum / *Sammy Saab, UCLA Medical Center*

Panel discussions on “Issues from the HCV Frontline” and “HCV/HIV Coinfection” will be led by experts from community-based organizations, consumers of services and leading researchers from USC and UCLA.

**When:** Thursday, November 17, 2005. Media check in opens at 8:30 AM; keynote address is at 9:15 AM.

**Where:** Radisson Wilshire Plaza Hotel, 3515 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles 90010. Parking is available at the hotel.

**Sponsors:** American Liver Foundation, AIDS Project Los Angeles, Drug Policy Alliance and Homeless Health Care Los Angeles.

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