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Dear Mr. Zirger,

On behalf of Medical Information Technology, Inc., I am pleased to offer requested comments on the collection of data related to *TRANSCEND: Transgender status neutral community-to-clinic models to end the HIV epidemic*.

We commend the CDC's efforts to collect standardized program evaluation data from the clinics and community-based organizations in order to improve the care of patients with HIV. We agree that electronic data collection offers a less burdensome method of reporting than current formats.

The health care community is currently engaged in numerous regulatory required reporting projects across all care settings. Before creating a new program, we encourage the CDC to closely review existing reporting programs, such as Electronic Case Reporting, to determine if the data related to TRANSCEND is already collected.

EHR Vendors and health care organizations are rapidly updating systems to meet ONC, CMS and state reporting requirements with ever changing specifications. We strongly advocate for the use of established data and technical standards for collection of new data, if it is not already reported.

Thank you for your time and consideration. We look forward to your responses in the final rule.