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Dr. John Waters  
Provincial Medical Officer  
Alberta Public Health

Dear Dr. Waters:

I recently wrote to Dr. John Gill of the Southern Alberta Clinic with a number of questions regarding HIV/AIDS testing and therapy in Alberta. He indicated that you would be better able to answer some of them:

1. **Initial AIDS Diagnosis**  
   Does Alberta Health maintain any statistics on the initial disease(s) that results in a diagnosis of AIDS? Are these available to the public?

2. **Reactions to HIV/AIDS Therapy**  
   Are statistics maintained for adverse reactions to HIV/AIDS therapy (particularly to pharmaceuticals such as nucleoside analogs)? Are these available to the public?

   Regards,

   David R. Crowe  
   President  
   Alberta Reappraising AIDS Society