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Dr. Kobayashi is a renowned Psychiatrist who works with people living with hepatitis C. She was an Associate Professor of the Department of Psychiatry, University of Colorado Health Sciences Center and staff psychiatrist at Denver Health Medical Center where she was a consultant to the Hepatitis C Clinic. Dr. Kobayashi received the 2007 "Outstanding Achievement Award" from the Colorado Psychiatric Society. Dr. Kobayashi served on the Institute of Medicine Board on Population Health and Public Health Practice, as the Board liaison to the Committees on HIV Prevention Strategies, Public Financing of HIV Care. as well as a number of components of the American Psychiatric Association, including the Commission on AIDS and the Committee of Asian-American Psychiatrists.

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Julie Nelligan received her doctorate from Ohio State University in Clinical Psychology with a specialty in Health Psychology. Her area of expertise is in brief interventions to address alcohol use in patients with hepatitis C. While working with the Hepatitis C

Resource Center at the Portland VA Medical Center she assisted in developing an intervention with a toolkit to enable specialty and primary care providers to address alcohol use in chronically-infected hepatitis C patients who continue to drink alcohol. She also has experience in evaluating substance use and relapse risk in patients being considered for liver transplant, conducting psychosocial assessments as part of a multidisciplinary chronic pain team, and facilitating support groups for veterans who are being treated with interferon for hepatitis C. Dr. Nelligan is currently in private practice in Portland, Oregon.

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Ms. Sandt has managed the hepatitis C division of the Caring Ambassadors Program since its inception in 1999. She is responsible for the oversight and implementation of all program activities and spearheads its ongoing mission. Ms. Sandt is the liaison to the program's Medical Brainstorming Team, which is comprised of hepatitis C health care professionals from the different disciplines and the program's research staff. Ms. Sandt regularly participates in state-of-the-art medical conferences to stay abreast of cutting-edge information in hepatitis C clinical and applied research. She is a frequent participant and presenter at conferences and symposia, interacting with those living with hepatitis C as well as with their families, patient advocates,

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