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 Subject: Info on Alex's study

Hi Brandon,

Alex Carballo asked me to contact you regarding your interest in being interviewed. As you may already know, I am the project director for a study on bareback and the Internet. We understand that not everyone uses condoms, and that alternative prevention means are needed. We are very interested in talking with you about the issue of barebacking and your opinions about rectal microbicides, potential HIV vaccines, or any other non-condom HIV-prevention method or strategies that you may want to discuss with me. Please be aware that my team and I are strongly committed to work for the benefit of the gay community and that 70% of our research team is composed of gay-identified men.

The interview will be done by a member of our team, Gary Dowsett, who will contact you shortly to make the necessary arrangements. We will compensate you with for your time. You and Gary will go over all of the details outlined in the consent form the day of the interview, however if at any time you have any questions, please feel free to contact me either by email or at the phone number listed below. We want to insure complete confidentiality, so we encourage you to use an alias when communicating with us.

Please let me know if you agree to having Gary get in touch with you, and whether this is the best way to contact you. Thank you. Best,
Ana

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