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Working With Persons With AIDS

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It had been but one day since I had last spoken to a public audience on AIDS.

Talking to the Management of the BATF was no different than talking to our own Public Health Service, when I last spoke on this general subject on the 20th of October 1988. The audience was different in that this one consisted of folks involved with three big industries in the United States, alcohol, tobacco, and firearms, and what I said to them would filter down to those companies and their respective employees. The speech I had given early on this same subject was limited to eighteen of my pages; this one was thirty-four. Everything I said to the Public Health Service in October I said here, but I added more to strengthen my positions and to be as complete as possible. For that reason there is an index included, which did not accompany the lecture to the Public Health Service employees on the occasion of Handicapped Awareness Week.

Absence of a magic bullet
AIDS & blood transfusion
AIDS & the fabric of American lives
AIDS as a handicapping disease
Annual Smoking & Health Reports of the Surgeon General
AZT
Consistent & compassionate response to AIDS
Current Surgeon General's Report on Addiction
Drunk driving
Early history of AIDS
Education as our basic weapon
Fetal Alcohol Syndrome
Firearms as part of PHS interest in violence
Global aspects of AIDS
Good science & good sense as weapons against AIDS
HHS initiative against alcohol, alcoholism, & alcohol abuse
History of fairness in American medicine
Incubation period of AIDS
Methods of transmission of AIDS
Morbidity & mortality
Morbidity & mortality of drunk driving
No PHS's policy on firearms

Priorities in AIDS management
Risk of national disunity
Safety of the workplace
Slow vaccine development
Smallpox; comparison with, syphilis, typhoid & alcoholism
Surgeon General's involvement with alcohol
Surgeon General's warning to pregnant women, 1981
Surgeon General's Workshop on drunk driving (12/14/88)
Surgeon General's Workshop on Violence & Public Health (1985)
Tobacco, Alcohol, & Firearms as major industries
Unsatisfactory data collecting in most countries
Violation of the ethics of medicine & education
Virus of AIDS

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