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Re: **Letter of Support for Sacramento County Health Center
Service Area Competition**

Dear Deputy Director Vargas,

I am writing this letter in strong support of the **Sacramento County Health Center's** application to HRSA to renew its participation in the health center program. The Sacramento County Health Center is a Section 330(e) and (h) grantee located at 4600 Broadway, Sacramento, California. Their work is not just about providing primary care; it's about being a steadfast partner in our community's health.

The Health Center serves a patient population that is among the most vulnerable and underserved in our community. These are residents who often face multiple barriers to care, including poverty, housing instability, and complex health challenges. In addition to its main clinic, the Health Center's Mobile Medicine Van, satellite clinics, and numerous partnerships reach deep into the community, ensuring that high-quality, comprehensive care, including vital behavioral health and medical services, is accessible to everyone, regardless of their circumstances.

Beyond its direct service to patients, the Sacramento County Health Center is a leader in our local health ecosystem. The center's partnerships with universities create a critical training ground for future primary care providers. Furthermore, the county's leadership role in the Sacramento County Medi-Cal Managed Care Stakeholders Advisory Committee, partnerships with county departments, specialty programs for underserved foster children, and various other alliances demonstrate a deep commitment to collaboration and a shared vision of improving health outcomes for all residents.

Renewing the Sacramento County Health Center's funding is not just a strategic investment; it is an important part of the communities' resources that will allow this vital health center to continue its essential work.

The purpose of this Board is to serve as advisory body to the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors on matters relating to local public health planning and policy issues.

Among the duties the Sacramento County Board to Supervisors task PHAB to undertake are giving input advice and recommendations on various aspects of public health including:

1. Identifying local public health and primary care needs and priorities;

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2. Encouraging the development of public health and primary care services;
3. Coordinating various forums on public health and primary care issues;
4. Advising the Board of supervisors and/or Human Services Coordinating Council in all major policy matters concerning the nature, scope and extent of public health and primary care services

The Sacramento County Health Center, has my full support in the continuation of its grantee status. I look forward to continued collaboration with the Sacramento County Health Center as we work toward our shared mission of expanding access to high-quality health care for the underserved residents of our community.

Sincerely,

Public Health Advisory Board