BOND COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER, Inc.

April 13, 2010

Candice Wilson
Director, Health and Human Services
LCBCC
918 Railroad Avenue
Tallahassee Florida, 32310

Dear Mrs. Wilson:

As per discussion, this letter is generated to request that the Leon County Board of County Commissioners provide a Letter of Commitment for cash matching funds in the amount of $76,920 from the Bond Community Health Center's (BCHC) 2010/2011 Primary Care contract ($329,380) to be utilized as matching funds for a State Department of Health (DOH) grant opportunity. The letter should state that "upon ratification and approval of 2010/2011 continued Primary Care Program Funding, the LCBCC will provide matching funds to The Agency for Health Care Administration on behalf of the Bond Community Health Center, Inc. AHCA, in partnership with the State DOH is requiring a letter be submitted from local government that provides matching funds and commits to begin the process of submitting payment to ACHA within 120 days of the execution of the applicant's contract, which if awarded will be July 1, 2010. BCHC intends on submitting a grant application in the amount of $400,000 under the State's "Expanding Access to Primary Care (FQHC's)" grant program to begin the provision of dental services at the center. This request of $76,920 represents a required 19.23% of the total grant request. ACHA also requires a State dollar for dollar match of 19.23%, appropriated through general revenue, which is then utilized to draw down 61.54% of Federal Medicaid funding.

Although this funding opportunity will be very competitive, if awarded, these funds will leverage the county funding and bring in an additional $246,160 of federal funding to the community. It is important to note that this is a request for the county to utilize existing funds to match potential funding, which will of course be utilized for uninsured Leon County residents. Currently BCHC serves over 11,000 patients of which over 7,000 are uninsured and have no access to dental care. This also includes women and children. BCHC's vision is to be fully comprehensive by providing dental services to the uninsured and vulnerable populations of Leon County. Thanking You in Advance!

Sincerely,

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