



ADAMS COUNTY HEALTH CENTER INC.
Working Together to Improve Lives in Our Communities

September 23, 2021

RE: Request for Letter of Support

Adams County Health Center Inc. (ACHC) was established as a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) in Council, Idaho in December 2004. Since the time it was established ACHC has added services to the community including, primary care, dental services, physical therapy, laboratory, digital radiography, optometry, behavioral health services, pharmacy and enabling services. ACHC is the only comprehensive provider of affordable primary preventative health care in Adams County.

Federally Qualified Health Centers are required to qualify all patients of the health center for a sliding fee discount based on the total number of persons living in the household and the combined income of those persons. FQHC program requirements state that we cannot turn any person away due to inability to pay. A goal of FQHCs nationwide is to achieve zero percent disparities and 100% access to health care. We strive each day to eliminate the barriers of access for health care for all persons. It is our mission to provide high quality health care services to the communities we serve, regardless of social or economic status. We serve all persons who present at our health center.

Adams County Health Center Inc. must assess the needs of underserved populations and design programs and services which are culturally appropriate to those populations. We must measure the effectiveness and quality of our services and continuously evolve our health center to achieve the greatest positive impact in the communities we serve. ACHC must operate as efficiently as possible, while collaborating with other community organizations for the greater good of the community. However, ACHC must at the same time maintain integrity as a federally funded health center by continuing to fulfill our mission, complying with applicable law, regulation and expectations.

We are in the process of applying for a Service Area Competition grant renewal for Adams County Health Center Inc. Adams County has approximately 38.43% of its population fall within 200% of the federal poverty level. The residents of Adams County and the surrounding area rely heavily on ACHC for affordable health care. We are contacting you today to request your support for our Service Area Competition Grant application for funding to continue providing primary preventative care to the residents of Adams County and the surrounding area. Would you consider writing a letter of support for our grant application?

Thank you for your time and consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

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