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Dear Ms. Kelly,

This letter provides the Kansas Association of Local Health Department's (KALHD's) written concurrence, on behalf of member local health departments, for the proposed use of the non-earmarked cooperative agreement funds as described in the Proposed Allocations of BP3 (2021-2022) Preparedness Funding.

The process leading up to this letter of support is outlined as follows:

- On February 2, 2021 the KALHD/KDHE PHEP Advisory Team met for its quarterly meeting and reviewed revised work plan drafts. KALHD members and staff participated with KDHE Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) to discuss the draft work plans and to provide feedback. KDHE PHEP provided revised local work plans and KALHD distributed them to its membership electronically.
- On February 12, 2021 KALHD conducted a review of the PHEP local work plans in an open meeting with KALHD's membership, and Denise Kelly with PHEP participated to solicit final feedback. No changes were suggested.
- On February 16, 2021 the KALHD Board of Directors voted to support the local and regional work plans and grant application.

KALHD is the statewide membership organization that currently represents all 100 local health departments in Kansas.

Sincerely,

Dennis Kriesel
KALHD Executive Director