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Dear Ms. Adamson,

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 BP4 (2023-2024) Preparedness Funding. KALHD also concurs with a 50/50 state/local split of the allocated PHEP dollars, with the local's 50% further split 82% for county/tribal distribution and 18% split for regional distribution (after factoring out KALHD's PHEP contract which is paid via the local share of PHEP funds).

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

- On February 6, 2023, the KALHD/KDHE PHEP Advisory Team met for its quarterly meeting and reviewed work plan drafts. KALHD team 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 (departmental and regional) to KALHD based off the discussions.
- On February 17, 2023, KALHD conducted a review of the PHEP local work plans in an open meeting with KALHD's membership. The revised local work plans were displayed online and walked through for all attendees by KDHE Preparedness staff. KDHE staff answered questions that arose. No changes were suggested.
- On February 21, 2023, 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