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Wyoming Department of Health
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To Whom It May Concern;

As a community leader, resident, and volunteer, the valued partnership we have built over the past 7 years with the PMO and our local office has laid a great foundation for a vibrant, healthier community. Many of the collaborative efforts in our town have laid way for statewide campaigns.

It has been proven over time that it is better to be proactive rather than reactive. Leadership efforts include responsible alcohol service, TIPS training for local businesses and community events, QPR training, play unplugged-healthier summer fun for families, the biggest loser campaign-just kicking off, business recognition for smoke free environments, and candid conversations with leaders in Johnson and Sheridan Counties.

Statistically our state ranks high in suicide, alcohol abuse, tobacco usage, and drug incidents nationwide. Over the past few years, numbers have declined, due to the positive programs throughout the state and the dedicated efforts of the PMO. We have first-hand knowledge and experience with the successes of this organization. The PMO's interactions have been business friendly and well received. They have initiated new ways to inform and persuade rather than dictate and demand, creating partnerships with many organizations and working with our local businesses in a positive manner.

The past seven years as a member of the Johnson County Prevention Council has surpassed our expectations for a safer and healthier community. Please feel free to contact us with any questions or information. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Angela N. Fox, IOM
Chief Executive Officer
Buffalo Chamber of Commerce