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Wyoming Department of Health  
Public Health Division  
Substance Abuse and Suicide Prevention Program  
6101 Yellowstone Road, Suite 500  
Cheyenne, WY 82009

**RE: Letter of Reference in Support of the Prevention Management Organization's (PMO) Application Under Request for Proposal No. 0101-B (Wyoming Prevention Technical Assistance Coordinator)**

Dear Selection Committee:

The Sublette County Prevention Coalition (SCPC) is writing to express our support for the Prevention Management Organization's (PMO) application for the aforementioned request for proposal.

Dedicated and talented PMO staff provided expert technical assistance to the SCPC in our efforts to bring educational programs and opportunities for our County's residents. For example, we have implemented a DUI reduction campaign with assistance from the Community Prevention Director, Kelly Rees, who serves Sublette County. Ms. Rees offered valuable information, insight, and a critical view of all angles to help the coalition proceed. Her field experience offered guidance to our coalition as we approached the necessary stakeholders (the local Judge, Sheriff, Highway Patrol, and County Attorney) as well as providing state and county data.

Collaboration between the Sublette County Prevention Specialist, Ranae Pape; the Sublette County Coalition, and Ms. Rees began our one-year DUI reduction program that has been so successful, that the Governor's Council on Impaired Driving is beginning to implement this program in additional counties. Approaching elected officials about prevention strategies that involve imposing maximum monetary fines can be a tricky conversation. Ms. Rees assisted in putting together an informative power point to present to the Wyoming Governor's Council on Impaired Driving. She also supported the first annual Prevention Education Summit held in Pinedale that was attended by over 100 agency and community members from Wyoming.

Her knowledge of community engagement has enabled us to construct sustainable efforts in Sublette County. As a result of the technical assistance and support provide by Ms. Rees, the SCPC successfully provided comprehensive data and information for key stakeholders, resulting in data-driven decisions in alcohol, tobacco, drug and suicide prevention efforts for Sublette County.

When you deal with issues involving businesses, policies, or issues that are tough to approach, having the support and technical assistance from a knowledgeable team to ensure our work is being done efficiently, our efforts are not being duplicated, and the programs we use are evidence-based.

The high-quality technical assistance provided by the PMO adds value to the work at the local level. We would recommend that the PMO continue to be the prevention technical assistance coordinator to serve and support communities across the state in achieving their prevention goals.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sublette County Prevention Coalition". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Sublette County Prevention Coalition