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RE: Oregon Public Health Emergency Preparedness Cooperative Agreement (**BP 05,** 07/23-06/24)

Dear Ms. Champion:

This letter is to express that the Oregon Conference of Local Health Officials (CLHO) concurs with the State of Oregon’s March 2023 Application for CDC Public Health Preparedness Funds.

We look forward to working with the state to carry out the work of the cooperative agreements.

The Coalition (CLHO) is Oregon’s SACCHO and represents all of Oregon’s thirty-four local health departments. Local health departments, by Oregon Revised Statutes, are defined as the agency established by the local public health authority that is responsible for administering public health programs and public health activities within the local public health authority’s jurisdiction (ORS 431.003). CLHO uses a joint CLHO-Oregon Health Authority Public Health Division, Public Emergency Preparedness Committee process to analyze preparedness and response needs, as well as to provide consultation on funding applications. This process is conducted via in person and teleconference meetings with state and local health department representatives at regularly scheduled meetings times. The process described above led to the coordinated development of the application.

Sincerely,

Naomi Adeline

Chair, Conference of Local Health Officials