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Daniel Baker, Project Officer Health Resources and Services Administration 5600 Fishers Lane Rockville, MD 20852

Dear Mr. Baker:

I am writing on behalf of Partnership Health Center's application for funding through the HRSA FY 2017 Service Area Competition program.

It is critical that Montanans have access to healthcare, regardless of income. As the only federally qualified health center in Missoula County, Partnership Health Center treats thousands of medically underserved patients who may be uninsured, live below the federal poverty level, or homeless. Partnership Health Center's services are delivered through a comprehensive, integrated model of care that provides evidence-based care, assuring the best possible patient outcome.

If successful, funds will be used to support doctors, dentists, nurses, and support staff, as well as to purchase necessary supplies. In addition, Partnership Health Center will continue to fulfill its mission by providing medical, dental, behavioral health, pharmacy, and ancillary program services to 15,000 residents across Western Montana.

I trust you will give this grant proposal fair and careful consideration.

Sincerely,

Steve Daines

United States Senator