Subject: RE: Letter of support for nursing program, OSU-Cascades
Date: Saturday, September 23, 2017 at 3:45:17 PM Pacific Daylight Time
From: Susan Bakewell Sachs
To: Witzke, Kara
CC: Devon Berry, Joanne Noone, Carla Hagen, Tamara Rose, Angela Docherty, David Robinson
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Dear Kara,
Our institutional leadership is reaching out to OSU institutional leadership to discuss this proposal so we are waiting on any action at this time. Please note that Joanne Noone, Carla Hagen, Angela Docherty, and Tamara Rose are campus associate deans for the OHSU School of Nursing regional campuses. We are one school of nursing, so would not send separate communications.
Sincerely,
Susan

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Susan Bakewell-Sachs, Dean and Vice-President for Nursing Affairs
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Dear Dr. Bakewell-Sachs,
As you are aware, nationally, there is a growing need for bachelor's trained nurses in our healthcare

workforce. The attached Executive Summary and New Program Proposal provides justification for Oregon's first public RN to BSN nursing program, offered by OSU-Cascades in collaboration with Oregon State University's Ecampus.

OSU-Cascades was approached several years ago by St. Charles Healthcare System, our local hospital in Central Oregon and our local community college, Central Oregon Community College, to develop a locally-based, public program that would provide a pipeline for newly minted RNs as well as working nurses to obtain their bachelor's degree in nursing (BSN). This proposal is in direct response to our local need for highly trained nurses, but the fully online nature of the program will also provide access to all licensed nurses in Oregon with an affordable pathway to advance their careers.

As Oregon's only academic health center and major provider of nursing education, practice, and research, we are seeking your support for this program. I have included the Executive Summary and the program proposal in it's entirely for your review and response. Your comments can be brief and may be sent to me directly. If you wish to discuss this program further or have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at: 541-322-2063 or at kara.witzke@osucascades.edu.

Sincerely,

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