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State of Nevada
Department of Health and Human Services
Division of Public and Behavioral Health
Emergency Medical Systems Advisory Committee
Attn: Bobbie Sullivan and Jenna Burton
4150 Technology Way, Ste. 101
Carson City, NV 89706

RE: Letter of Interest to Serve on the Emergency Medical Systems Advisory Committee

Dear Ms. Sullivan and Ms. Burton,

I am pleased to indicate my interest in serving on the Nevada EMS Advisory Committee as a representative of a privately-owned entity that provides emergency medical services. The combination of nearly two decades of EMS experience, my current role in executive leadership with REMSA and my service on a variety of national committees related to EMS and mobile healthcare - uniquely positions me for a role on the Nevada EMS Advisory Committee.

Certainly, the past 10 months have shown that the need for innovation and creative problem-solving is at an all-time high in healthcare and particularly in out-of-hospital healthcare agencies. I have a demonstrated record of embracing and championing initiatives that are important to moving mobile healthcare and EMS into the next decade. I am the project lead on REMSA's partnership with Flirtey - a drone delivery service - to distribute AEDs when 9-1-1 callers in the region report symptoms of a cardiac arrest. In early 2020 the organization joined forces with Ready Responders to provide northern Nevadans with on-demand healthcare. The launch of this program was a precursor to REMSA being selected to participate in ET3 (the Center for Medicaid and Medicare Services' patient navigation program). Under my clinical leadership, we have refined the protocols, systems and processes to safely navigate patients to alternate destinations and into treatment in place options which are key components of the Ready Responders and ET3 projects.

I find it energizing to work with EMS counterparts to address important initiatives in mobile healthcare such as implementing a tiered response system, raising the bar for emergency medical dispatch, considering the expansion of clinical protocols and learning the best ways to provide emergency medical care in rural and frontier areas of our country.

I am a native Nevadan and have a great deal of passion for enhancing emergency medical services throughout our great state. I look forward to bringing my breadth and depth of knowledge to the Nevada EMS Advisory Council and to learning from my colleagues already on the council. Please feel free to contact me if you would like to speak further about my qualifications and interest in serving on the council. Thank you for considering my application.

Sincerely

Adam B. Heinz

Executive Director, Integrated Health

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