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Teresa Deaton-Reese, CPPB, CPPO
Indiana Department of Administration, Procurement Division
402 W. Washington St., Room W468
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Dear Ms. Deaton-Reese,

This letter is an executive summary of Centerstone of Indiana's application to the Family and Social Services Administration, Division of Mental Health and Addiction (DMHA) solicitation for *Community Behavioral Health Clinics (CCBHC) Demonstration Sites* (RFS No. 24-77045).

Summary of Ability/Desire to Supply the Required Products/Services: As a pioneer of the CCBHC initiative within the state, Centerstone has been implementing the CCBHC model since 2016, after being selected as part of the State's demonstration grant award. Centerstone was awarded SAMHSA's 2018 and 2020 *CCBHC-Expansion Grants*, which established the agency's Bloomington clinic as a CCBHC in 2018. Building on the successes of the CCBHC and reflecting Centerstone's commitment to the State's CCBHC initiative, the agency expanded CCBHC services to its Columbus and Richmond hub locations, increasing access to CCBHC services for individuals across 15 counties. Centerstone is applying for these sites in Bloomington, Columbus, and Richmond to be a part of the Demonstration Program. With 65+ years of experience/capacity successfully providing a full array of behavioral health services, including experience administering CCBHC grant programs, Centerstone's proposed CCBHC sites are fully equipped to operate as CCBHCs in alignment with the State's expectations, as outlined in the RFS, by the start of the Demonstration. Centerstone's CCBHC sites are well positioned to deliver the complete scope of CCBHC services directly and/or via DCO. Centerstone's CCBHC sites operate as a network throughout the agency's Indiana service footprint in order fill in service continuum gaps. The agency also has a well-established internal resource array available to ensure the proposed CCBHC sites can adequately serve all eligible individuals and meet all reporting and evidence-based model requirements.

Other Information: With its vast CCBHC operating experience, Centerstone has the implementation knowledge/expertise necessary to: support the State's application to SAMHSA's Demonstration Program; obtain CCBHC Designation/Certification by Demonstration Program start; and collaborate with the State during the Demonstration Program. Centerstone will provide all requested information/data (e.g., financial information required for rate-setting; qualitative/quantitative information on quality metrics, evidence-based practices) necessary for the State to submit its Demonstration Program application. Centerstone will work collaboratively with the State and provide additional information required by the State for CCBHC designation/certification. Throughout the term of the Demonstration Program, Centerstone will provide the State with data and information necessary to advance the State's planning efforts for the statewide CCBHC model expansion. Per State and federal guidelines, Centerstone will report on the following during the Demonstration Program: quality metrics, required and optional evidence-

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based practices, and pre-approved screening and assessment tools. Centerstone commits to providing periodic written and ad-hoc status reports, in format provided by the State, to DMHA regarding activities, project status, notable discoveries, and outstanding issues and action items.

As the **authorizing agent**, I, the undersigned, certify that the information offered in Centerstone's application meets all general conditions including the information requested in Section 2.3.7. Centerstone is **registered with the Office of the Indiana Secretary of State** and **meets all Mandatory Requirements** set forth in Section 3.2 in the RFS: Centerstone is a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization; has previously submitted a response to RFI 24-76106; has submitted an Executive Summary, Business Proposal (Attachment C), Technical Proposal Template (Attachment D), Certification Criteria Response Template (Attachment E), Quality Metrics Response Template (Attachment F), and Evidence-Based Practices, Assessments, and Screeners Response Template (Attachment G); and has submitted the Attestation Form (Attachment I), completed with all requested supporting documents. Centerstone's **principal contact** for this application is:

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We appreciate this opportunity to respond to the State's request and to be considered for participation in the Demonstration Program. We look forward to partnering with the State in their efforts toward a statewide expansion to CCBHC.

Sincerely,

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Chief Executive Director

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