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Dear Dr. Vassileva:

I am writing to indicate my support for the grant application that you are preparing to submit to the National Institutes of Health (NIH), proposing to test a brief alcohol and drug prevention program with students in Virginia schools. In my capacity as Director of Clinical Services at Chesterfield Mental Health Support Services I oversee both our Prevention and our Child and Adolescent Mental Health and Substance Abuse Treatment teams. Our agency works in close partnership with Chesterfield County Public Schools to implement Prevention programs and coordinate treatment services. I am impressed with the reductions in alcohol and drug use in adolescents that have been associated with the implementation of Preventure in other countries and hope that you will be able to demonstrate similar results in Virginia, including Chesterfield County.

Please feel free to contact me if our agency can provide further assistance related to your application or implementation of the Preventure program in our locality. We hope to have the opportunity to work with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read 'Susan McDevitt'. The signature is fluid and cursive.

Director of Clinical Services
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