

RE: Keiser University and the Bradenton/Sarasota market

To whom it may concern:

My name is Jeffrey French. I am the Director of Operations for Coastal Orthopedics, located in Manatee County Florida. Our organization has enjoyed a very effective working relationship with Keiser University for more than a decade. We work closely with the Medical Assistant program as well as the Physical Therapy Assistant program. In fact, I have personally been on the Advisory Board for both of these programs for a number of years. We are currently discussing growing our affiliation to include radiology.

Over the years, we have taken a number of Keiser University's students through internship programs. We have found that the students have been very well prepared and high-quality individuals. This program has resulted in a win-win relationship between our company and the university. The students gain real-life training and exposure, while the company is able to give back to our professions by educating these students to help them prepare for their chosen career. We have hired several of the students after their program has completed. Many of our hires include students who performed their internship with us, while others came to us after they completed their respective program. We have found that working together with Violeta Huesman, Director of Student Services, and the individual department administrators has resulted in better training for the students in the community and has made them better associates after graduation.

It is because of the enthusiasm, professionalism, and the commitment to excellence that Keiser University has demonstrated that we are proud to say we are partners in the community. We look forward to our continued association with this quality educational institution to not just continue, but, to flourish and meet the needs of our growing community.

Sincerely,



Jeffrey French, Director of Operations
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