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To Whom It May Concern:

Keiser University is important to our community for numerous reasons. Within the last two years we have started to place students from Keiser University into our Clinical Wellness Internship in our various Community Programs at Brooks Rehabilitation. For the past 50 years Brooks has worked to provide individuals with different neurological diseases or disabilities with a continuum of care past discharge from therapy by creating affordable programs within the community. These programs help to strengthen our participants not only physically but also provide a social environment where individuals with similar experiences can come together and find support.

One of our previous students from Keiser, Tatyana Presny, was exceptional. We were so impressed with her performance throughout her internship that when we had an open position in our Adaptive Wellness programs, we hired her for it because we already knew she had a great work ethic and knowledge base to excel. She has far exceeded our expectations in her programming and has built close relationships with her participants. During our three month shut down of our on-site programming due to the pandemic, she went above and beyond to provide virtual care to our participants by leading diverse and modifiable workouts through Zoom. Since we have been back to live programming, she runs her Wellness program at the YMCA and continues to lead Zoom workouts 2 days a week. We are entirely grateful for her support and expertise to lead those that are not yet comfortable being in public due to their increased risk in the traditional gym setting.

I would like to thank Keiser University and Professor Hartman specifically for providing prepared, professional, and creative interns to our programming. They have the exercise knowledge as well as the empathy to work with our population in the community settings as well as the clinical settings. We cannot wait to interview more interns and hopefully accept them into our internships in the future.

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