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Attn: Lynne Carr/ Keiser University

Regarding: Letter of support/ Halifax Health and Keiser University



To Whom It May Concern,

Keiser University is important to our community for many different reasons. Being a community health system we rely heavily on our community partners, such as Keiser University, to assist in reaching our goals. Halifax Health is proud to be able to take care of each and every person that walks through our doors regardless of their ability to pay. As we opened our doors in 1928, we are approaching 100 years of service! At Halifax Health, we are proud to have the areas only Level II Trauma Center, Comprehensive Stroke Center, Neonatal and Pediatric Intensive Care program, Pediatric Emergency Department, OB Emergency Department, Child and Adolescent Behavioral Services, and Comprehensive Neurosurgical Services. We have grown to include three separate locations (Daytona Beach, Port Orange, and Deltona), allowing us to provide health care needs to the entirety of Volusia County residents. Halifax Health and our community members have directly benefited from Keiser University by hiring 63 of their students since 2018. This year alone we have 6 new hires and expect that number to dramatically increase with the upcoming May 2022 Graduating Class of Nurses. In the past 20 years, we have hired 148 of their students into a variety of our departments and locations. We also enjoy having Keiser University represented here on campus while their nursing students perform up to 400 hours of clinical assistance during their program period. This allows the students to become exposed to a variation of available opportunities while we are able to evaluate their clinical abilities. In addition to the above mentioned areas, Keiser University students also volunteer and donate proceeds from serval local civic events. Most recently, we received a generous donation of \$2000.00 from their students to our Foundation. I have also enjoyed my relationship with various administrative people at Keiser University. I enjoy participating in their bi-annual MOCK interviews, sitting on their advisory board and visiting with their students as often as possible. Keiser University graduates and students are always welcome here at Halifax Health!

Sincerely,

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