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February 27, 2020

Melissa Ryan, Director
Division of Policy and Shortage Designation
Health Resources and Services Administration
5600 Fishers Lane
Rockville, MD 20857

Dear Ms. Ryan:

Pursuant to the authority provided in Section 6213(c) of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1989 and as authorized by the Governor of the State of Kansas, I certify that the counties on the enclosed list meet the Kansas standard of Medically Underserved Areas necessary for developing Rural Health Clinics as defined in Public Law 95-210.

To determine which counties are medically underserved, Kansas has consistently utilized the methodology adopted by the University of Kansas School of Medicine's Office of Faculty Affairs and Institutional Research and accepted by the Office of Shortage Designation since May of 1990. An examination of current data reveals that 66 of the state's 105 counties are currently underserved for primary medical care by state standard.

A copy of the Kansas University methodology is on file with the Office of Shortage Designation. Accompanying this letter is a list of the 66 underserved counties.

If you have questions, please contact Amy Swanson, Director of Community Health Access, Bureau of Community Health Systems, Kansas Department of Health and Environment at (785) 296-8113 or Amy.S.Swanson@ks.gov.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely, -

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lee A. Norman MD".

Lee Norman
Secretary, Kansas Department of Health and Environment
Enclosures: List of Underserved Counties

cc:

Amy Swanson, Director of Community Health Access

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Medically Underserved Areas for Medicare designated Rural Health Clinics

Kansas Governor Certified Counties – February 2020

Allen	Geary	Lane	Pawnee	Washington
Anderson	Graham	Leavenworth	Phillips	Wichita
Atchison	Grant	Lincoln	Pratt	Woodson
Barber	Gray	Linn	Rawlins	
Bourbon	Greeley	McPherson	Reno	
Chase	Greenwood	Marion	Republic	
Chautauqua	Hamilton	Meade	Rice	
Cherokee	Harper	Miami	Rush	
Cheyenne	Haskell	Montgomery	Sheridan	
Clay	Hodgeman	Morton	Sherman	
Cloud	Jackson	Neosho	Smith	
Comanche	Jefferson	Ness	Stafford	
Decatur	Jewell	Norton	Stevens	
Doniphan	Kearny	Osage	Sumner	
Elk	Kingman	Osborne	Wabaunsee	
Ellsworth	Labette	Ottawa	Wallace	