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Dear Ms. Rabinowitz and Mr. Rabhi:

On behalf of the Michigan Departments of Community Health, Agriculture and Rural Development, and Environmental Quality, I would like to thank you for your participation in the Michigan Local Public Health Accreditation Program. Your participation, comments, and suggestions over the past four cycles of accreditation have strengthened the program in assuring and enhancing the quality of local public health in Michigan by identifying and promoting the implementation of public health standards.

Based on the January 9, 2014 recommendation of the Michigan Local Public Health Accreditation Commission, we are very pleased to confer accreditation with commendation status on your local public health department. This designation is awarded to local health departments that fully meet the following requirements:

- Meets 95%, cumulatively, of the Essential Indicators within the Minimum Program Requirements during the on-site reviews for the Powers and Duties and seven (7) mandated services\* sections, and
- Misses not more than two (2) indicators in each of the programs cited above, and
- Has zero (0) repeat missed indicators from the previous cycle in each of the included programs, and
- Meets 80% of the Minimum Program Requirements in the Quality Improvement Supplement within the Powers and Duties Section.
- \* The seven mandated services sections include: Food Service Sanitation, Communicable Disease, Hearing, Immunization, Sexually Transmitted Disease, On-Site Wastewater Treatment Management, and Vision.

This designation is valid until the Michigan Departments of Community Health, Agriculture and Rural Development, and Environmental Quality effect a subsequent decision pursuant to recommendations by the Accreditation Commission.

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We are especially pleased to acknowledge your repeated success in becoming accredited. To recognize your achievement, we will soon provide you with a Cycle Five Certificate of Accreditation. To help celebrate your success, arrangements can be made, at your discretion, for a state agency presentation of your certificate during a meeting of your choosing by contacting Mark Miller, Director, Local Health Services, at 517-335-8928.

Again, I wish to thank you for your participation in the accreditation process and commend you on your efforts in this significant accomplishment, one which is directly attributable to a mutual dedication to continuous quality improvement. Michigan's strong public health network is fortified through continued state and local collaboration and through the Michigan Local Public Health Accreditation Program. Due to your commitment and efforts, Michigan continues to be viewed as a national leader in the area of public health accreditation.

If you have questions regarding the Accreditation Program, please contact Jessie Jones at 517-324-8387.

Cordially,

James K. Haveman

Director

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