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Dear Dr. Ceballos:

As the administrative representative of Austin Recovery, I am pleased to hear about your interest in partnering with our institution to conduct research addressing issues related to substance abuse prevention, treatment and recovery. I understand that you have worked closely with a variety of treatment centers for several years and it has been a mutually beneficial partnership.

This letter is to confirm our willingness to establish collaboration with your laboratory. Specifically, we are willing to facilitate the screening of potential research participants and the testing of research participants in our facility using computerized behavioral tasks and the collection of saliva samples for biochemical analysis of stress hormones. This cooperation is contingent, of course, on the review and approval of your proposed research projects by the Texas State University Institutional Review Board and our oversight committee.

Please feel free to contact me directly at (512) 697-8527 if I can be of any further service.

I look forward to working with you in the future.

Thank you,



Jimmy Ochs, LCSW, LCDR  
Chief Operating Officer