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Dear Sir/Madam,

Dr. Xiaohui Xu is conducting research on the quality of the geographic information contained in Alachua County birth records (NIH grant PA-11-238: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-15-010.html>). To the extent that his research stands to improve the data quality of Alachua County birth records, and thereby potentially the health of Alachua County residents, he has my support.

On behalf of the Florida Department of Health in Alachua County, please consider Dr. Xu's request to collaborate with your facility.

Sincerely,

Paul D. Myers, M.S.  
Administrator  
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