



County of Lincoln

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To: Esperanza Lucero, Administrative Office of the Courts

Re: Letter of Interest – Behavioral Health Investment and Reform Act (BHRIA) Regional Accountable Lead

Dear Members of the Executive Committee,

Lincoln County is pleased to submit this letter of interest to serve as the Regional Accountable Lead for Region 12, serving Lincoln and Otero counties, and the Mescalero Apache Tribe under (BHRIA).

We are prepared to:

- Coordinate regional behavioral health planning.
- Facilitate SIM/E-SIM mapping and identify service gaps.
- Engage counties, tribes, pueblos, local governments, health councils, providers, and justice partners.
- Develop and update the regional behavioral health plan in alignment with BHRIA.

Lincoln County is committed to collaboration, transparency, and building a strong continuum of care for our region.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Jason Burns, County Manager
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