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Katie Smith Sloan
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Dear Katie Smith Sloan:

Thank you for your letter to Administrator Brooks-LaSure regarding the Nursing Home Staffing Campaign. The Administrator has asked me to respond on her behalf. The Center for Clinical Standards and Quality appreciates your feedback and suggestions. The examples of successful programs you provided are especially helpful as we continue to work to identify the best ways to improve nurse recruitment and access to nursing assistant training. We will consider your suggestions and welcome additional insight you can provide.

Our team will be reaching out to our primary contacts at LeadingAge in the next few weeks to share more information about the staffing campaign, obtain feedback, and discuss some of the examples included in your letter.

Thank you again for your letter and for your continued commitment to improving the quality of care in nursing homes. Please do not hesitate to reach out with additional questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dora L. Hughes". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Dora L. Hughes, M.D., M.P.H.
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