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Good evening,

After reviewing the recommendations of the PPC work session, I propose supporting AHECs into the plan.

AHECs play an essential role in addressing the health care workforce shortage and how increased funding will allow them to better serve Nevada's communities and ensure a more resilient health care system. AHECs play a vital role in developing a robust and diverse health care workforce, particularly for underserved and rural communities. While they have made significant strides, current funding constraints limit their ability to expand and innovate to meet the rising demand for health care professionals. AHECs have a proven track record of developing programming designed to address workforces shortages, and adhere to the mission: (High Sierra AHEC) "has been steadfast in addressing Nevada's health care workforce shortages through recruiting, training, and retaining health professionals committed to increasing access to primary care in underserved urban and rural communities". Increased funding would allow them to strengthen and scale their pipeline programs, partnerships, and training opportunities statewide.

I urge you to consider AHECs in your decision for supporting and funding when addressing healthcare workforce shortages in our great State.

Thank you,

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