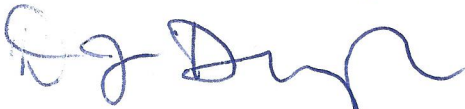


December 1, 2017

To Whom It May Concern,

This letter is written on behalf of members of the NC Mental Health Planning Council to confirm that the North Carolina Mental Health Block Grant Planning Council reviewed the Annual Progress Report on December 1, 2017. The Council engaged staff in a robust conversation and intends to continue to work collaboratively with MHDDSAS on future annual reports. One of the challenges in submitting this report is with the SAMSHA timing requirement and data collection with the Division.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Damie Jackson-Diop". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Damie Jackson-Diop, Chair  
NC Mental Health Planning Council