

Salt Lake City, Utah, April 26th, 2019

David Kieda, PhD
Professor of Physics and Astronomy
Dean Graduate School

Dear David,

We are submitting this application for preliminary center designation for consideration by the Graduate School. We propose to establish the Center of Excellence for Exposure Health Informatics (CEEHI). This will be a multi-disciplinary center, co-led by Nursing Informatics and Biomedical Informatics faculty and their collaborators, and housed in the College of Nursing. The CEEHI mission is to foster and facilitate the next generation of exposure health research through use and development of novel informatics methods and solutions.

CEEHI will be led by the College of Nursing, where it will be housed, and the Department of Biomedical Informatics, with additional participants from the School of Medicine, College of Nursing, College of Pharmacy, College of Engineering, College of Mines and Earth Sciences and the BYU Department of Electrical Engineering. The Center has been approved by the College of Nursing College Council and we present this application with unanimous support from all the Chairs and Deans of participating faculty.

We envision that CEEHI will be sustained by extramural funding. We would greatly appreciate if you can offer priority to the review of the Center proposal, as approval will certainly increase our chances to secure pending funding from the USAF.

Sincerely,



Kathy Sward, PhD
Associate Professor, College of Nursing



Julio C. Facelli, PhD
Professor, Department of Biomedical Informatics