

March 12, 2018

Re: Support for HR 5102, the “Substance Use Disorder Workforce Loan Repayment Act of 2018”

Dear Member of Congress:

On behalf of Legacy Community Health, one of the largest community health centers in the nation, we appreciate the opportunity to express our **support for HR 5102, the “Substance Use Disorder Workforce Loan Repayment Act of 2018.”** The bill will create a program for participants to work as substance use disorder treatment employees for up to six years in exchange for student loan repayment of up to \$250,000 per participant.

Investing in the repayment of student loans for Substance Use Disorder employees will help attract new talent to the workforce, and ensure those new employees continue working by spacing out payments over six years. We encourage Congress to vote for this legislation.

Thank you for your consideration of our comments. If I can be of further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact Lindsay Lanagan at [LLanagan@LegacyCommunityHealth.org](mailto:LLanagan@LegacyCommunityHealth.org).

Sincerely,



Katy Caldwell, CEO