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Dear Sponsor,

Hispanic Americans represent 16 percent of the U.S. population and are steadily growing; yet Hispanic nurses and other healthcare providers do not reflect this escalating number. On a national level, Hispanic nurses represent a mere 5 percent the nursing workforce. Bilingual and bicultural nurses are an integral and invaluable resource in Philadelphia and the surrounding areas where the growing numbers of Hispanic patients in need of health care services lack the ability to speak or communicate comfortably in English.

Since our inception in 1997, the National Association of Hispanic Nurses (NAHN) Philadelphia Chapter has been striving to increase awareness about nursing and support Hispanic nursing students to successfully complete their higher education. The NAHN Philadelphia Chapter is one of over 46 chapters national wide that are under the umbrella of this national organization of nursing professionals dedicated to promoting Hispanic nurses to improve the healthcare of our communities.

Increasing the number of Hispanic nurses is critical if we are to improve the health of the Hispanic community in Philadelphia and surrounding area. As part of our efforts the Philadelphia Chapter awards merit based scholarships to Hispanic students pursuing a profession in nursing.

The association is pleased to announce we will be awarding scholarships at our Hispanic Nurse Scholarship Gala. This event will take place during Hispanic Heritage month on Saturday, October 1, 2016 from 6:00 pm to 12:00 am at Hilton at Penn's Landing, 201 S. Christopher Columbus Boulevard, Philadelphia, PA 19106.

In order to continue these efforts our chapter is seeking your generous support. It is through the help of organizations, such as yours, that our association will further our mission of enhancing the number of Hispanic nurses in our community one student at a time. This consorted effort will greatly impact the quality of care that patients deserve. On behalf of NAHN Philadelphia Chapter, thank you for your kind consideration.

Kind Regards,

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