## HC HOLY CROSS HEALTH FOUNDATION

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Children's Health and Education Charitable Foundation c/o Ms. Vandana Narang 11802 Forest Heights Court Herndon, Virginia 20170-2408

Dear Members of the Children's Health and Education Charitable Foundation,

Thank you for enabling us to provide fluoride varnish treatments to our low-income pediatric patients receiving primary care at the Holy Cross Health Center in Germantown. Holy Cross Health Germantown is one of four Health Centers in the Holy Cross Health Network. This Health Center serves children and adults who are uninsured or enrolled in Medicaid. Pediatric medical services are provided by a team of medical experts including pediatricians and certified registered nurse practitioners.

This oral health program is designed to prevent dental caries, the most prevalent and largely preventable chronic disease in both children and adults. The children attending this Health Center are particularly at-risk for dental caries and it is due to your funding that we are able to provide our pediatric patients with fluoride varnish preventative treatments at their well-baby and well-child check-ups.

Although we continued to see pediatric patients in person during the surge of COVID-19, the number of patients seen for preventative visits dropped significantly which impacted the opportunity to administer the varnish. Below is a report on the number of patients served:

January – June 2020	
Number of unique	Ages / number of
patients	patients
58	9 months $= 1$
	10  months = 4
	11  months = 4
	12  months = 29
	24  months = 18
	36  months = 2

Again, our many thanks for your support of this integral part of our pediatric care. Your gift of health by preventing dental caries in our youngest patients means more than you can imagine to the families we serve.

Please feel free to contact me at 301-754-7161 or at Wendy.Friar@holycrosshealth.org.

With a grateful heart,

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