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Department of Homeland Security
U.S. Citizenship & Immigration Service

Re: O-1 Visa Petition on behalf of Dr. X
Petitioner: University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey (UMDNJ)

Dear District Director:

This letter is written in strong support of this institution's O-1 visa petition on behalf of Dr. X. Dr. X is an outstanding pediatric pulmonologist who exemplifies all of the characteristics of a first-rate researcher and clinician. I am writing to you as the current Chairman of the Department of XXX at UMDNJ – Robert Wood Johnson Medical School who will be responsible for Dr. X's position. It is against this background that I evaluate Dr. X's rare expertise in the treatment, management, and research contributions for children suffering with Cystic Fibrosis (CF).

The Cystic Fibrosis Program at UMDNJ - Robert Wood Johnson Medical School (UMDNJ – RWJMS) offers a comprehensive team approach to the diagnosis, treatment and follow-up of infants, children, adolescents and adults with cystic fibrosis. The team consists of pulmonologists, a pulmonary clinical nurse specialist, nutritionist, respiratory therapist and social worker. The emphasis of care is the prevention and treatment of complications. Both medical and psychosocial aspects of the disease are treated. Indeed, Patients suffering from cystic fibrosis must be followed for their entire lives. CF is a fatal genetic disease that has a high incidence in Northern Europeans but occurs in all races. Therefore, we only recruit the best and the brightest for positions within this program.

Dr. X has established herself as an expert in both the clinical management as well as clinical research of CF. Indeed; she is credited with making critical inroads towards formulating new therapies that will increase the survival rate of CF patients. Specifically, Dr. X has received critical acclaim for her cutting-edge research on treatments for facilitating mucus transportability. Dr. X's research is important because developing a method to maintain mucus equilibrium is crucial for treatment of cystic fibrosis, which causes mucus imbalance. This mucus imbalance leads to serious complications, such as inflammation of the lung tissue, infection and obstruction of airways. Thus, Dr. X's research is a remarkable contribution to the treatment of cystic fibrosis, one of the most devastating and complex pulmonary diseases, especially in pediatric patients.

Dr. X's significant research in this area has received widespread recognition through publication in prestigious, peer-reviewed journals, such as American Journal of Respiratory Critical Care Medicine, the European Respiratory Journal, Journal of Aerosol Medicine, and the American Review of Respiratory Disease. In addition, Dr. X repeatedly has been selected to share her expertise on mucus transportability with other pediatric paleontologists at the prestigious and widely attended *Annual International*

Conference of the American Thoracic Society, the Annual Congress of the European Respiratory Society, and at numerous medical conferences and institutions in Brazil. Clearly, Dr. X's expertise has made an important impact and is recognized by experts throughout the field.

In addition to her strong reputation as a gifted leader in the area of pulmonology research, Dr. X has also proven that she is an expert clinician. Indeed Dr. X is exceptionally talented in performing the most advanced and complex pulmonology techniques on pediatric patients. Such superior skills are extremely essential in the treatment of pediatric patients with lung disorders because many of these disorders are life threatening. In addition, treatments for such disorders can endanger a child's life if not administered with precision. Therefore, Dr. X's extraordinary ability to perform such complicated pulmonology techniques on pediatric patients is all the more valuable. Moreover, Dr. X's outstanding clinical skills provide her with the ability to enlighten our practice through instruction and supervision of the work of her colleagues. Indeed, Dr. X's wealth of experience and exceptional skills prove that she will be important to our practice, as well as to the people of the United States as a whole.

Without a doubt, Dr. X possesses the extraordinary abilities that will make her a valuable asset to our program. We are tremendously fortunate and honored to have found such an outstanding physician who hopes to join our program in the full-time position of Assistant Professor of Pediatrics. I strongly believe that Dr. X will continue benefiting this crucial field of medical science. It is for all the above reasons that I respectfully recommend the approval of Dr. X's petition for the O-1 visa.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Name
Chairman of Department of XXX