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Dear Mr. Stovall,

Thank you for meeting with Baptist Health Madisonville to discuss the potential provision of athletic training services to the Christian County Board of Education and your student athletes.

While we are appreciative of the opportunity, we must respectfully decline the offer to submit a bid to be your provider of these services. With so much uncertainty in the healthcare industry relative to the COVID pandemic, we do not feel we could prepare a mutually beneficial proposal at this time. In order to submit a successful proposal, we want to have confidence that we would be able to meet the needs of your players and exceed your expectations of us as your healthcare provider.

With our staffing model, it is unlikely that we would be able to provide sufficient orthopedic coverage in the Hopkinsville clinic. We are concerned with the future of Kentucky's high school athletic events for the upcoming school year as we face the uncertainty of holding group events. The hours we would be able to provide for the current trainers may not be sufficient for their needs, forcing them to seek employment elsewhere leaving us contractually bound to continue this service with contracted staff at a much higher rate.

We would love the opportunity to revisit a potential partnership in the future as our healthcare operations and athletic events regain stability. It was a pleasure meeting with you and Mr. Lackey.

Sincerely,

Wayne Lipson, MD
Chief Medical Officer