



March 2, 2016

Dear Drs. Gorman and Sachs,

Thank you for submitting a full proposal for an ancillary study in conjunction with the Framingham State Food Study (FS)<sup>2</sup>.

We will enthusiastically fund your project entitled *Influence of Explicit and Implicit Weight Bias on Dietary Compliance and Stress Response in Treatment Seeking Overweight and Obese Adults*. Funding will be in the amount of \$9,535, as requested. We expect that you will be available to work with the research team over the next several months to ensure that your ancillary study is appropriately integrated into the parent project by August 1, 2016.

Gloria Klein will be your primary contact person, and I am available to help as needed. An initial, although not exhaustive, list of issues that must be considered during the planning process is provided below.

- Obtaining permission, if necessary, to use licensed instruments for assessing bias
- Establishing contracts and agreements for data use and sharing for the online instrument
- Use of data from the parent project for the ancillary study
- Development of plans for 1) obtaining approval from the Institutional Review Board (IRB), 2) registering the ancillary study with clinicaltrials.gov, 3) data management and analysis, and 4) presentation of results and authorship
- Student involvement

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. I look forward to collaborating with you.

Sincerely,

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