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Peter Brown
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Dear Peter:

I am sorry I was not able to attend the recent meeting of the Institute of Behavioral Healthcare Improvement (IBHI) Board. I am pleased the New York State Office of Mental Health has become a charter member of IBHI. We hope this emerging organization will help the behavioral healthcare system to address the important issues of improving the outcomes of care. The learning collaboratives you are organizing around improving emergency department care for behavioral health clients is a first step and is an area that needs an organized improvement focus.

We wish IBHI success and look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Michael F. Hogan, Ph.D.
Commissioner

