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Dear Jorge,

I am writing this letter in support of your project to better assess cholesterol levels in children and adults. As we have discussed, identifying children with high LDL-Cholesterol, especially those with familial hypercholesterolemia, is very important. We know that these individuals are at high lifetime risk of cardiovascular disease and that their LDL-C can be lowered to reduce their risk. Because cholesterol elevation is asymptomatic, it is important that we have approaches to screening that will work to identify them.

Your proposal PHI (Spanish) CAPTCHA (English), which engages pharmacists in the effort to improve screening, is novel and has promise to improve screening by including the pharmacist as a member of the healthcare team. I think this has the chance to work quite well in countries where pharmacists are independent in their practice and are able to work to improve primary care. It appears that this may work well in Argentina, Great Britain, and Spain.

Good luck with your research proposal. I look forward to hearing about your progress in this very important effort.

Sincerely,

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