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Dear Dr. Blackburn:

I appreciate your letter of April 27 in which you request guidance with regard to an application for a national Research and Demonstration Center.

I will be happy to discuss the matter with you but would suggest that unless you are considering applying in response to the RFA for Demonstration and Education Research in Heart, Blood Vessel, Lung and Blood Diseases and Blood Resources, the discussion take place after release of the solicitation for R&D Centers when more information will be available.

Thank you for your interest in our programs.

Sincerely,

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