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Subject: Scotland Memorial Hospital Support for Duke's SHCS Petition

As the CEO of Scotland Memorial Hospital, I strongly support the policy embodied by Policy AC-3 which allows academic medical center teaching hospitals to pursue their research and teaching missions. Our hospital routinely refers patients to academic medical center teaching hospitals, including Duke Medical Center to receive treatment that is only offered at those hospitals. We also employ the health care professionals trained by the state's academic medical centers and want to be sure that those centers can continue to educate the workforce we need.

Therefore, we support the Petition filed by Duke, UNC, Pitt and Baptist regarding Policy AC-3, and support the continued inclusion of Policy AC-3 in the Plan.

Please contact me if I can provide further support for this critical policy.

Thank you,



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