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Corina Chavez  
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Re: Response to May 1, 2023 Letter

Dear Ms. Chavez

Thank you for your communication with respect to your concerns of the AIMS@UNM lottery policies and processes, and the accessibility of the Governing Council information.


We can inform you that our current website for AIMS@UNM, from which we believe some of your concerns have been generated, is in the process of being taken down. To this end we are currently constructing a new website with a new internet management company, Apogee. In the creation of this website, we believe that your concerns will be addressed. We will ensure that the Lottery Application and Enrollment Packet are separated. Furthermore, we will include contact information for our Governing Council.

In addition, we will review our current Lottery Application to make sure it does not include any of the information that you highlighted in your correspondence. With respect to the essay mentioned we want to emphasize that this essay does not take place until after the admissions process and is used for the placement of students, which we believe is in complete alignment with NMPED guidelines.

Please reach out with any questions or further concerns. It is our belief that in the very near future the concerns detailed in your letter will be addressed in the new website.

Sincerely,

Esquivel & Howington, LLC

By:   
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Martin R. Esquivel

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cc: Kathy Sandoval-Snider