

Green Country

WORKFORCE

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Jon Wooten
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Employees Group Insurance Division
Office of Management and Enterprise Services
3545 NW 58th Street, Suite 600
Oklahoma City, OK 73112

RE: Short and Long-Term Disability Coverage

Dear Mr. Wooten,

This letter is to formally request the staff of the Green Country Workforce Development Board be allowed to select coverage plans through the Employees Group Insurance Board (EGIB).

County Commissioners from eleven counties (Adair, Cherokee, Creek, McIntosh, Muskogee, Okmulgee, Osage, Pawnee, Sequoyah, Tulsa, and Wagoner) constitute a governing body as allowed under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) of 2014 for the Green Country Workforce Development region. The Governor has approved this body to accept the administrative and fiscal responsibility for funds received under WIOA. As part of our duties, we appoint volunteer members to the Green Country Workforce Board of Directors but retain fiscal responsibility to ensure funds are spent appropriately in service to eligible individuals in our respective counties. We have selected Green Country Workforce Development Board to act as our representatives in the planning and administration of those funds. This requires their staff to act on behalf of the counties to ensure that funds are spent in accordance with all federal and state regulations and policies. In our opinion, Green Country Workforce staff thus becomes ex-officio county employees responsible to each of the eleven counties included in our consortium.

As Chief Local Elected Official representing this consortium, I request that staff members of Green Country Workforce be allowed to select coverage through the Employees Group Insurance Board, including Short and Long-Term Disability coverage.

Respectfully,

Leon Warner
Creek County Commissioner
Chief Local Elected Official
Green Country Workforce Development Board

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