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cc: Doc. MUDr. Ondrej Hrusak, Ph.D., prof. MUDr. Jan Stary, DrSc

Dear Doc. Zoban,

I hope that this letter finds you well. This is the time of the year when The Kristyna M. Driehaus Foundation prepares for another Regina's Hope Medical Program, to continue to offer this unique training opportunity to your students.

I am writing to inform you of our upcoming plans. As we did last year, we are reviewing the successes and challenges of the previous Regina's Hope Medical Program in 2006 and are starting to prepare for the next program. Overall, we believe that this training opportunity greatly benefited your students and with your support hope to offer it again in the summer of 2007. I would like to inform you about several important issues regarding the 2007 program:

- 1. The summer 2007 Regina's Hope Medical Program will continue to offer medical clerkship in pediatric hematology/oncology. Students interested in this field may apply.
- 2. We are ready to begin accepting applications for the 2007 summer program in Chicago beginning on December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2006. The deadline for completed applications is February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2007. As last year, students should be referred to the Foundation's website for application instructions or any other questions about the Regina's Hope Medical Program: <a href="http://www.thekmdfoundation.org/reginashope">http://www.thekmdfoundation.org/reginashope</a>
- 3. The application process will be similar to last year's. After the students submit their applications, they will be reviewed by the Foundation's Board of Directors, top 5-10 applicants will be invited for an in-person interview by the Foundation's representative in Prague, and the final 1-2 students will be selected by April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2007. The accepted students will then have to complete a registration process required by Northwestern

University Medical School, which will include academic transcripts and the Dean's authorization of the students' status in your University.

- 4. Based on a review of the last two programs, we decided to match the students' schedule to that of other medical students conducting medical clerkship training at Northwestern University Medical School and its affiliated hospitals. This will give the students from Prague an opportunity to attend the same orientation session and participant in similar academic activities as other students. As a result, the stay in Chicago will last approximately 6 weeks.
- 5. Please let us know your plans for advertising this opportunity to your students. Can we help in any way?

Please let me know if you have questions at this point about any of the issues raised above.

I hope that plans for the 'Global Health Partnership' between the Second Medical Faculty and Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine are progressing successfully. Please let us know if we can assist in this process in any way. Once the partnership is established and your students are interested in applying directly with Northwestern University for clerkship training in fields other than pediatric hematology/oncology, the Foundation will consider offering funding assistance.

Once again, thank you and everyone involved in your University for the continuing collaboration with our Foundation to provide a quality program for your students. We always strive to improve anything we do and any suggestions from you would be welcome.

Sincerely,

Dita Broz

**Executive Director** 

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