

December 15, 2011

Senator Mary Ann Salmon, Senate Co-Chair  
Representative Tommy Lee Baker, House Co-Chair  
Arkansas Legislative Council  
315 State Capitol  
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Senator Salmon and Representative Baker:

**Your Subcommittee on Higher Education met at 1 p.m. December 14, 2011 on the campus of ASU-Mountain Home to hear the following presentations:**

**Utilizing distance delivery of education to train healthcare workers through the consortium with UAMS and Baxter Regional Medical Center** - Dr. Pat Bailey, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs, ASU Mountain Home

**Arkansas Research Educational and Optical Network (ARE-ON)** - Mike Abbiatti, Executive Director, ARE-ON

**Two-Year Colleges and the Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP) Grant 1.** Mike Abbiatti, Executive Director, ARE-ON 2. Ed Franklin, Executive Director, Arkansas Association of Two Year Colleges

**University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS) and BTOP Grant 1.** Michael Manley, Outreach Director, Center for Distance Health, UAMS 2. Debbie Green, Arkansas e-Link Project Director, UAMS

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**Your Subcommittee on Higher Education met at 9 a.m. December 15, 2011 at Baxter Regional Medical Center in Mountain Home to hear the following presentation:**

**Telemedicine Services.** Barney Larry, Executive Vice President, Baxter Regional Medical Center; Executive Director, Baxter County Regional Hospital Foundation. Ron Peterson, Chief Executive Officer and President, Baxter Regional Medical Center.

Sincerely,

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Sen. Sue Madison  
Senate Co-Chair

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Rep. Johnnie Roebuck  
House Co-Chair