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Dear Nancy,

I am thrilled to be working with you again this year for our *Lifelong Learning in Belize* Study Abroad class for the students in our Master of Education – Adult Education and Training. It has truly been to our benefit to be able to work directly with you while planning our work in San Ignacio. When I first visited, it was immediately clear that you are well connected in the community and dedicated to creating a positive experience for both the learners who travel to stay with you and the entities that they work with.

Earlier this semester, I met with our Study Abroad staff and they indicated that we can get the contract with you signed early in the spring so that you will receive payment before we arrive on-site. They also acknowledged that if you continue the insurance policy that you submitted last year, that it is sufficient to meet the coverage requirements of Colorado State University. While we frequently use public transportation, this is good news for when you transport us for our full-group activities or the times when we might need transportation for an individual.

The student feedback from last summer is all very positive. They really liked the environment and all the support that you provided, including the family style meals, inclusion in family and community activities, holding meetings on your patio, and how flexible you were to accommodating any special needs.

For me, it was wonderful to be able to sit with you at the end of the two weeks and debrief. We finished up the experience with a good plan for our next visit which makes my work that much easier. I feel very comfortable knowing what great services you provide and that I can contact you throughout the year with any questions, changes, or new ideas we have.

I am currently recruiting students for our visit next May. Some will be working this spring on follow-up work from our last visit. I will keep in touch to let you know how many travelers we anticipate.

Sincerely,

Karen Kaminski, Ph.D.
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