

CARTA A la coordinadora de KINAL ANTZETIK DF A.C. DE PARTE DEL PRESIDENTE DE LA FUNDACIÓN
MACARTHUR CON MOTIVO DE LA VISITA QUE SE DESARROLLO EN CHIAPAS EL 15 DE NOVIEMBRE de 2010

Dear Lina,

I am writing to thank you for the meeting that you so kindly organized for me and the MacArthur team earlier this month in San Cristobal. We understand that most of the women had to travel considerable distances to meet with us and I am appreciative of their time and interest in meeting with us. It was a unique and important experience for me to become more educated about the role of traditional midwives, and most importantly, their views and aspirations. From what I learned, Mexico's health system is very complex and the challenges are many. It was helpful to put these into context of the rural communities where midwives play a key role in providing maternal health services.

For the Kinal team and the community midwives and health promoters, I wish you the best as you continue to work to ensure that women have access to safe pregnancies and deliveries.

With thanks and warm wishes,

Bob

Robert L. Gallucci

President

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