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Joanne McManus, Personnel Director announced, "The Town of Lincoln has been selected to receive a Worksite Health award sponsored by the Greater Providence Chamber of Commerce and Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island."

Ms. McManus stated, "The Worksite Health Awards are designed to recognize those Rhode Island businesses and municipalities that are working to promote worksite wellness." She elaborates, "With healthcare costs continuing to rise, offering health management solutions is rapidly becoming one of the most effective ways for companies to keep costs down and productivity up. It also helps to improve the quality of life for employees. These initiatives are essential as Rhode Island works toward its goal of becoming the first 'Well State' in the nation."

Sue Sheppard, Town Administrator, stated, "This award to the Town of Lincoln honors our support of prevention through written materials, seminars, programming, and a demonstrated commitment to education through committee development and policy change. Joanne McManus, Personnel Director for the Town, submitted the application on behalf of the Town and has continued to advocate for the Wellness Programs."

Sheppard added, "Joanne McManus has also been asked to represent the Town of Lincoln and to serve on the Governor's Commission on Disabilities. The Commission is planning six web casts in the near future. The subjects include, but are not limited to, Pre-employment Do's and Don'ts, reasonable accommodations, and the ADA complaint process, mediation and resources (state and federal)."

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