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March 11, 2010

Ms. Barbara J. Martin
President & Chief Executive Officer
Vista Health System
1324 N. Sheridan Road
Waukegan, Illinois 60085

Dear Ms. Martin:

In response to your request for information relative to your Certificate of Need application to develop a freestanding emergency center in Lindenhurst, I offer the following:

1. The West Suburban Medical Center (WSMC) Emergency Department (ED) has not experienced an average annual vacancy rate of more than 10% for budgeted full-time equivalent staff positions for health care workers subject to licensing by the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulations.
2. The WSMC ED has 25 treatment stations.
3. For fiscal year 2009 ending June 30, 2009, there were 45,422 patient visits in the WSMC ED; the figure for fiscal year 2008 ending June 30, 2008, was 46,791.
4. I believe Vista Health System's proposed project will have no impact on the utilization of the WSMC ED.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you need additional information. Best of luck to you on your application and project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Pat Shehorn'.

Pat Shehorn
Executive Vice President & CEO

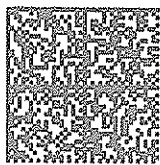


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