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12-058

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Dear Mike,

Can you please make sure the Board Recives the attached letter of oppisiton on project 12-058

Thank you,
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VIA EMAIL AND FAX

October 10, 2012

Mr. Dale Galassie
Chairman
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street, 2ND Floor
Springfield, IL, 62761

Re: Opposition to Project No. 12-058- US Renal Care Lemont Dialysis

Dear Chairman Galassie and Respected Board Members;

On Behalf of Home Dialysis Services, I strongly oppose US Renal certificate of need request project number 12-058. I would request the respected board members to reject this project. Several of my reasons of my opposition were stated on the opposition letter that was sent in from Sun Health, so I will not duplicate the facts that were stated already but will only discuss the points that were not mentioned.

Our facility, which offers peritoneal dialysis and will soon offer Home-Hemo Dialysis, is located less than 10 minutes away from the proposed location, to this date Northeast Nephrology Consultants that are listed as Joint Venture Partners have not referred a single patients to our facility. According to the data that was submitted on this application Northeast Nephrology Consultants as a group of 5 physicians have only 1 ESRD patient that resides in Lemont. Why are they proposing a Dialysis facility in Lemont?

The applicants are manipulating the rules and regulations that are set by the Illinois health facilities board. The applicants are using a reported need in HSA 7 to claim the need for HSA 9 patients as a justification for this proposed project. The applicants have less than a 2% population of their ESRD patients that were listed on this application in the HSA service area 7.

If Northeast Nephrology Consultants are allowed this deceitful behavior this project will have an adverse impact on existing facilities, cause duplication and misdistribution without improving access, as listed in detail on the Sun Health letter of opposition.

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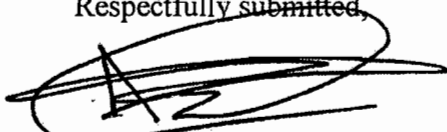
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The Board should question, Northeast Nephrology Consultant, intentions on this application and all other Northeast Nephrology Consultant application that are submitted and may get submitted in the future from them. Northeast Nephrology Consultants have submitted applications to the board with different locations and even with different dialysis providers (DaVita and US Renal). The board has denied their applications in the past and should continue to deny all their future applications as it is very unclear on their intentions and where their dedication lies.

I would strongly urge the Board to deny this application, if any of the respected board members have any questions on why they should reject this application and would like to discuss this topic further, I can be reached at (708) 645-1000.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Asim M Shazzad', is written over a horizontal line.

Asim M Shazzad
Administrator

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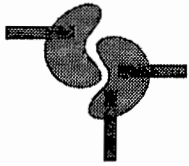
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As the data shows, roughly 10% of ESRD patients seen by this facility were residence of a nursing home or use Home Peritoneal Dialysis services. These numbers should not be included in "the Applicants" data in the application for permit that was filed.

In a 30 mile radius of the location of "the Applicant," there are a total of sixteen (16) centers. Of those 16 centers, 4 of the facilities are running below a 70% utilization rate.

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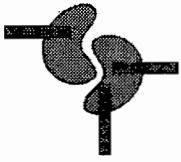
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Finally, I affirmatively state that I am familiar with the various rules and regulations concerning the submission of accurate materials and information to the board and the statements contained in this letter are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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