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Re: Mercy Rockford System
Building on East Side of
Rockford

I am a 76 yr. old retired
nurse living 20 mi. West
of Rockford at Lake
Summerset. Lake Summerset
is a gated community with
aprox. 1300 homes -- most of
which are owned by seniors.
Most residents are taken
to Mercy Rockford (formerly

called RMH) by ambulance
for strokes & heart attacks
and other emergencies.

A replacement of RMH's
Level I trauma emergency
room over on the east
side of Rockford would
add another 30-50 min
to the ambulance ride.
This type of situation
would affect the west
side of Rockford (where
95% of gun shot wounds
occur), Winnebago, West Lake
Peatonica, Durand, Davis
and several other west

2)
of Rockford communities.

Also the Intensive Care
Nursing (and NICU) are
already high quality.

I believe health costs are
already ridiculously high
and a new hospital far
away from present clients
would just add to this
problem.

Thank you for your kind
attention,

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