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Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 W. Jefferson St., Second Floor
Springfield, IL 62761

Subject: Transitional Care – DuPage County

Dear Board Members,

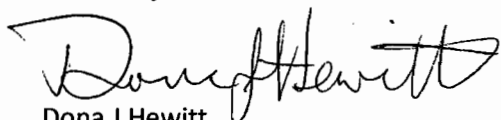
I am writing in support of the local nursing homes who are protesting the need for new short-term rehab only facilities like Transitional Care. These nursing homes, like Community Nursing and Bria Health Services, and Springs provide care to ALL members of the community, including those who require support from public aid.

When an organization whose goal is to take the "cream of the crop" or the best payors, like Medicare short term rehab patients away from the community nursing homes, comes into an area it does nothing but hurt the community. We have a health care system in this country that is based on a 'cost sharing' system. You cannot allow a for profit like Transitional Care to come in and take the best paying patients away from nursing homes that are providing such a much needed service to the community. When a Transitional Care patient cannot go home and needs continued nursing home care under public aid, Transitional Care will not be there to care for them. No, they will look to Community Nursing, Bria and Springs to take those patients off their back at a huge financial cost, so that Transitional Care can free up another bed to make oodles of money while not giving back to the community.

Please do not do such a horrible disservice to the community by allowing such a narrowly-focused provider to unfairly compete in DuPage County.

I have no financial interest whatsoever in any nursing homes, but I am a boomer who has been through parent care and I have a very clear understanding of how the system works.

Sincerely,



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