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Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review
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525 West Jefferson Street, 2nd Floor
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HEALTH FACILITIES &
SERVICES REVIEW BOARD

Re: O'Fallon Dialysis (Proj. No. 16-004)

Dear Mr. Roate:

Attached please find a fully executed copy of the O'Fallon Dialysis patient transfer agreement.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need anything further for your review of the O'Fallon Dialysis certificate of need application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Anne M. Cooper'.

Anne M. Cooper

Attachment

FOR COMPANY USE ONLY:
Clinic #:

PATIENT TRANSFER AGREEMENT

This **PATIENT TRANSFER AGREEMENT** (the "Agreement") is made as of the last date of signature hereto (the "Effective Date"), by and between **Protestant Memorial Medical Center, Inc., d/b/a Memorial Hospital** (hereinafter "Hospital") and **Total Renal Care, Inc.**, a subsidiary of DaVita HealthCare Partners Inc. ("Company").

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the parties hereto desire to enter into this Agreement governing the transfer of patients between Hospital and the following free-standing dialysis clinic owned and operated by Company:

***O'Fallon Dialysis
1941 Frank Scott Parkway
Shiloh, IL 62269***

WHEREAS, the parties hereto desire to enter into this Agreement in order to specify the rights and duties of each of the parties and to specify the procedure for ensuring the timely transfer of patients between the facilities;

WHEREAS, the parties wish to facilitate the continuity of care and the timely transfer of patients and records between the facilities; and

WHEREAS, only a patient's attending physician (not Company or the Hospital) can refer such patient to Company for dialysis treatments.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises herein contained and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and legal sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties agree as follows:

1. HOSPITAL OBLIGATIONS. In accordance with the policies and procedures as hereinafter provided, and upon the recommendation of an attending physician, a patient of Company may be transferred to Hospital.

(a) Hospital agrees to exercise its best efforts to provide for prompt admission of patients provided that all usual, reasonable conditions of admission are met. All transfers between the facilities shall be made in accordance with applicable federal and state laws and regulations, the standards of The Joint Commission ("TJC") and any other applicable accrediting bodies, and reasonable policies and procedures of the facilities. Transfer record forms shall be completed in detail and signed by the physician or nurse in charge at Company and must accompany the patient to the receiving institution.

(b) Neither the decision to transfer a patient nor the decision to not accept a request to transfer a patient shall be predicated upon arbitrary, capricious or unreasonable discrimination or based upon the patient's inability to pay for services rendered by either facility.

2. COMPANY OBLIGATIONS.

(a) Upon transfer of a patient to Hospital, Company agrees:

i. That it shall transfer any needed personal effects of the patient, and information relating to the same, and shall be responsible therefore until signed for by a representative of Hospital;

ii. Original medical records kept by each of the parties shall remain the property of that institution; and

iii. That transfer procedures shall be made known to the patient care personnel of each of the parties.

(b) Company agrees to transmit with each patient at the time of transfer, or in case of an emergency, as promptly as possible thereafter, an abstract of pertinent medical and other records necessary to continue the patient's treatment without interruption and to provide identifying and other information, to include:

i. current medical findings;

ii. diagnosis;

iii. rehabilitation potential;

iv. discharge summary;

v. a brief summary of the course of treatment followed;

vi. nursing and dietary information;

vii. ambulating status; and

viii. administrative and pertinent social information.

(c) Company agrees to readmit to its facilities patients who have been transferred to Hospital for medical care as clinic capacity allows. Hospital agrees to keep the administrator or designee of Company advised of the condition of the patients that will affect the anticipated date of transfer back to Company and to provide as much notice of the transfer date as possible. Company shall assign readmission priority for its patients who have been treated at Hospital and who are ready to transfer back to Company.

3. BILLING, PAYMENT, AND FEES. Hospital and Company each shall be responsible for billing the appropriate payor for the services it provides, respectively, hereunder. Company shall not act as guarantor for any charges incurred while the patient is a patient in Hospital.

4. HIPAA. Hospital and Company agree to comply with the provisions of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA"). Hospital and Company

acknowledge and agree that from time to time, HIPAA may require modification to this Agreement for compliance purposes. Hospital and Company further acknowledge and agree to comply with requests by the other party hereto related to HIPAA.

5. **STATUS AS INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS.** The parties acknowledge and agree that their relationship is solely that of independent contractors. Governing bodies of Hospital and Company shall have exclusive control of the policies, management, assets, and affairs of their respective facilities. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as limiting the right of either to affiliate or contract with any other Hospital or facility on either a limited or general basis while this Agreement is in effect. Neither party shall use the name of the other in any promotional or advertising material unless review and approval of the intended use shall be obtained from the party whose name is to be used and its legal counsel.

6. **INSURANCE.** Each party shall secure and maintain, or cause to be secured and maintained during the term of this Agreement, commercial general liability, property damage, and workers compensation insurance in amounts generally acceptable in the industry, and professional liability insurance providing minimum limits of liability of \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$3,000,000 in aggregate. Each party shall deliver to the other party certificate(s) of insurance evidencing such insurance coverage upon execution of this Agreement, and annually thereafter upon the request of the other party. Each party shall provide the other party with not less than thirty (30) days prior written notice of any change in or cancellation of any of such insurance policies. Said insurance shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

7. **INDEMNIFICATION.**

(a) **Hospital Indemnity.** Hospital hereby agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless Company and its shareholders, affiliates, officers, directors, employees, and agents for, from and against any claim, loss, liability, cost and expense (including, without limitation, costs of investigation and reasonable attorney's fees), directly or indirectly relating to, resulting from or arising out of any action or failure to act arising out of this Agreement by Hospital and its staff regardless of whether or not it is caused in part by Company or its officers, directors, agents, representatives, employees, successors and assigns. This indemnification provision shall not be effective as to any loss attributable exclusively to the negligence or willful act or omission of Company.

(b) **Company Indemnity.** Company hereby agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless Hospital and its shareholders, affiliates, officers, directors, employees, and agents for, from and against any claim, loss, liability, cost and expense (including, without limitation, costs of investigation and reasonable attorney's fees), directly or indirectly relating to, resulting from or arising out of any action or failure to act arising out of this Agreement by Company and its staff regardless of whether or not it is caused in part by or its officers, directors, agents, representatives, employees, successors and assigns. This indemnification provision shall not be effective as to any loss attributable exclusively to the negligence or willful act or omission of Hospital.

(c) Survival. The indemnification obligations of the parties shall continue in full force and effect notwithstanding the expiration or termination of this Agreement with respect to any such expenses, costs, damages, claims and liabilities which arise out of or are attributable to the performance of this Agreement prior to its expiration or termination.

8. DISPUTE RESOLUTION. Any dispute which may arise under this Agreement shall first be discussed directly with representatives of the departments of the parties that are directly involved. If the dispute cannot be resolved at this level, it shall be referred to administrative representatives of the parties for discussion and resolution.

(a) Informal Resolution. Should any dispute between the parties arise under this Agreement, written notice of such dispute shall be delivered from one party to the other party and thereafter, the parties, through appropriate representatives, shall first meet and attempt to resolve the dispute in face-to-face negotiations. This meeting shall occur within thirty (30) days of the date on which the written notice of such dispute is received by the other party.

(b) Resolution Through Mediation. If no resolution is reached through informal resolution, pursuant to Section 8(a) above, the parties shall, within forty-five (45) days of the first meeting referred to in Section 8(a) above, attempt to settle the dispute by formal mediation. If the parties cannot otherwise agree upon a mediator and the place of the mediation within such forty-five (45) day period, the American Arbitration Association ("AAA") in the State of Illinois shall administer the mediation. Such mediation shall occur no later than ninety (90) days after the dispute arises. All findings of fact and results of such mediation shall be in written form prepared by such mediator and provided to each party to such mediation. In the event that the parties are unable to resolve the dispute through formal mediation pursuant to this Section 8(b), the parties shall be entitled to seek any and all available legal remedies.

9. TERM AND TERMINATION. This Agreement shall be effective for an initial period of one (1) year from the Effective Date and shall continue in effect indefinitely after such initial term, except that either party may terminate by giving at least sixty (60) days notice in writing to the other party of its intention to terminate this Agreement. If this Agreement is terminated for any reason within one (1) year of the Effective Date of this Agreement, then the parties hereto shall not enter into a similar agreement with each other for the services covered hereunder before the first anniversary of the Effective Date. Termination shall be effective at the expiration of the sixty (60) day notice period. However, if either party shall have its license to operate its facility revoked by the State or become ineligible as a provider of service under Medicare or Medicaid laws, this Agreement shall automatically terminate on the date such revocation or ineligibility becomes effective.

10. AMENDMENT. This Agreement may be modified or amended from time to time by mutual written agreement of the parties, signed by authorized representatives thereof, and any such modification or amendment shall be attached to and become part of this Agreement. No oral agreement or modification shall be binding unless reduced to writing and signed by both parties.

11. **ENFORCEABILITY/SEVERABILITY.** The provisions of this Agreement are severable. The invalidity or unenforceability of any term or provisions hereto in any jurisdiction shall in no way affect the validity or enforceability of any other terms or provisions in that jurisdiction, or of this entire Agreement in any other jurisdiction.

12. **COMPLIANCE RELATED MATTERS.** The parties agree and certify that this Agreement is not intended to generate referrals for services or supplies for which payment maybe made in whole or in part under any federal health care program. The parties will comply with statutes, rules, and regulations as promulgated by federal and state regulatory agencies or legislative authorities having jurisdiction over the parties.

13. **EXCLUDED PROVIDER.** Each party represents that neither that party nor any entity owning or controlling that party has ever been excluded from any federal health care program including the Medicare/Medicaid program or from any state health care program. Each party further represents that it is eligible for Medicare/Medicaid participation. Each party agrees to disclose immediately any material federal, state, or local sanctions of any kind, imposed subsequent to the date of this Agreement, or any investigation which commences subsequent to the date of this Agreement, that would materially adversely impact Company's ability to perform its obligations hereunder.

14. **NOTICES.** All notices, requests, and other communications to any party hereto shall be in writing and shall be addressed to the receiving party's address set forth below or to any other address as a party may designate by notice hereunder, and shall either be (a) delivered by hand, (b) sent by recognized overnight courier, or (c) by certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid.

If to Hospital: Protestant Memorial Medical Center, Inc.
d/b/a Memorial Hospital
4500 Memorial Hospital
Belleville, IL 62226
Attention: Chief Nursing Officer

If to Company: Total Renal Care, Inc.
C/o: DaVita HealthCare
Partners Inc.
2000 16th Street
Denver, CO 80202
Attention: Group General Counsel

With copies to: O'Fallon Dialysis
C/o: DaVita HealthCare
Partners Inc.
1941 Frank Scott Parkway
Shiloh, IL 62269
Attention: Facility Administrator

DaVita HealthCare Partners Inc.
2000 16th Street
Denver, Colorado 80202
Attention: General Counsel

All notices, requests, and other communication hereunder shall be deemed effective (a) if by hand, at the time of the delivery thereof to the receiving party at the address of such party set forth above, (b) if sent by overnight courier, on the next business day following the day such notice is delivered to the courier service, or (c) if sent by certified mail, five (5) business days following the day such mailing is made.

15. **ASSIGNMENT.** This Agreement shall not be assigned in whole or in part by either party hereto without the express written consent of the other party, except that Company may assign this Agreement to one of its affiliates or subsidiaries without the consent of Hospital.

16. **COUNTERPARTS.** This Agreement may be executed simultaneously in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. Copies of signatures sent by facsimile shall be deemed to be originals.

17. **NON-DISCRIMINATION.** All services provided by Hospital hereunder shall be in compliance with all federal and state laws prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color religion, sex national origin, handicap, or veteran status.

18. **WAIVER.** The failure of any party to insist in any one or more instances upon performance of any terms or conditions of this Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver of future performance of any such term, covenant, or condition, and the obligations of such party with respect thereto shall continue in full force and effect.

19. **GOVERNING LAW.** The laws of the State of Illinois shall govern this Agreement.

20. **HEADINGS.** The headings appearing in this Agreement are for convenience and reference only, and are not intended to, and shall not, define or limit the scope of the provisions to which they relate.

21. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT.** This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes any and all other agreements, either oral or written, between the parties (including, without limitation, any prior agreement between Hospital and Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates) with respect to the subject matter hereof.

22. **APPROVAL BY DAVITA HEALTHCARE PARTNERS INC. ("DAVITA") AS TO FORM.** The parties acknowledge and agree that this Agreement shall take effect and be legally binding upon the parties only upon full execution hereof by the parties and upon approval by DaVita HealthCare Partners Inc. as to the form hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement the day and year first above written.

**Protestant Memorial Medical Center
d/b/a Memorial Hospital**

Total Renal Care, Inc.

By: Nancy Weston

By: 

Name: NANCY Weston

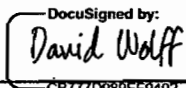
Name: Yoni Danieli

Its: VP - Patient Care Services ~~CEO~~ Its: Regional Operations Director

Date: 1-12-2016

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APPROVED AS TO FORM ONLY:

By: 
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Name: David G. Wolff

Its: Group General Counsel