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November 21, 2016

Courtney Avery, Administrator
HEALTH FACILITIES AND SERVICES REVIEW BOARD
525 West Jefferson Street - Second Floor
Springfield, Illinois 62761

**RE: E-031-16
Discontinuation of Pediatrics**

Dear Ms. Avery:

This is to inform the Board of Mercy Hospital and Medical Center's has completed the discontinuation of the Pediatrics category of service per the requirements of Exemption E-031-16.

We wish to thank the staff and the Board for their cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Carol Schneider", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Carol Schneider
President and CEO

CC: Jeffrey Mark, Consultant



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**Re: Request for Declaratory Ruling
Corrections to the Facility Inventories**

Dear Ms. Avery:

This letter is to request a Declaratory Ruling of the Health Facilities and Services Review Board to approve changes to Mercy Hospital & Medical Center's published 2015 and 2014 Annual Profile. The specific changes include:

1. Deletion of all utilization data for the Neonatal category of service.

Explanation: During this reporting period the Hospital did have an approved exemption from the Board to establish a Level III Neonatal service (reflected in the 15 authorized beds). However, this service was never established and subsequently, the hospital relinquished this exemption. For reporting purposes, Hospital staff misinterpreted the term "Neonatology" as being our existent Level II Nursery Service and reported those utilization data in error.

2. Correction of the Authorized CON Beds to reflect the numbers submitted by the Hospital in its Annual Bed Report.

Explanation: Our submittals of the Annual Bed Reports for both Calendar Years 2014, and 2015 contained adjustments to our bed counts consistent with the Board's rules Sections 1100.75 and 1100.220. These changes are for decreased numbers of authorized beds. These changes have not yet been incorporated into the Annual Hospital Profile data base. The results are that our beds appear higher and our utilization appears lower than they should, thus provide incorrect planning data for Planning Area A-03 which the Board uses for its permit determinations.

Summaries of both our CY 2015 and 2014 Annual Bed Reports are attached.

If you or your staff has any questions, please contact our consultant Jeffrey Mark at 312.804.9401.

Sincerely,

Carol Schneider
President and CEO

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CY 2014 Bed Report Summary:

2014	1578	Mercy Hospital & Medical Center	Chicago			
TABLE 1 - Hospital Beds by Category of Service and Bed Status, December 31, 2014						
Category of Service	Physically Available Beds	Reserve Beds	CON Transitional Beds	Non-CON Transitional Beds	Total Reported Beds	Authorized Beds - 12/31/2014
Acute/Chronic Mental Illness	39				39	39
Comprehensive Rehabilitation	24				24	24
Intensive Care	30				30	30
Long-Term Acute Care					0	0
Long-Term Care					0	0
Medical-Surgical	247	15		2	264	289
Neonatal Intensive Care	15				15	15
Obstetric	30				30	30
Pediatric	26	2			28	37
Total Hospital Beds	411	17	0	2	430	464

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Neonatal Intensive Care	15				15	15
Obstetric	30				30	30
Pediatric	26	2			28	37
Total Hospital Beds	397	17	0	2	416	464