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February 9, 2018

Ms. Courtney Avery
Administrator

Illinois Health Facilities & Services Review Board
525 W. Jefferson St., 2nd Floor
Springfield, IL 62761

Dear Ms. Avery:

My name is Timothy A. Pflederer and I am a nephrologist practicing in central Illinois with Renal Care Associates (RCA). I serve as President of my practice which provides dialysis care to patients throughout central Illinois. I am active in Medical staff of our hospital systems in Peoria – Unity Point Peoria and OSF St. Francis. I am writing to support the proposed Unity Point In-Center Dialysis Clinic.

In the Peoria market, we currently treat 305 in-center dialysis patients. We expect roughly 60 of those patients to discontinue dialysis each year due to death, transplant, or recovery of function according to national statistics. We referred 72 patients to the Peoria market dialysis facilities (East Peoria, Peoria Downtown, and Peoria North) in the past year. There are 354 Unity Point affiliated patients with stage 4 & 5 of kidney failure in the Peoria market. Of these, we would anticipate approximately 70 will begin dialysis in the next 2 years. We would also anticipate at least 10 others to desire transfer to a new Unity Point in-center dialysis facility because of location, shift availability or other concerns.

Certainly, a current lack of shift choices limits the treatment times that are available to the patients. It is often very important to patient's families who provide transportation and other care to have a shift for their elderly loved one. Additionally, having more chairs available is important as we manage this population of patients attempting to reduce hospitalization and readmissions. Many of our patients are elderly, and often have other existing health conditions that require them to rely on family and friends for transportation assistance.

My partners and I at RenalCare Associates strongly promote our patients to consider all dialysis treatment options, including transplantation and home dialysis. The integration of the dialysis treatment regimen with patient's lifestyle should be as balanced as possible for a better quality of life.

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The information in this letter is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and that the projected referrals were not used to support another CON application.

I am very pleased to give my full support for this proposed facility. I strongly urge the board to approve this project Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

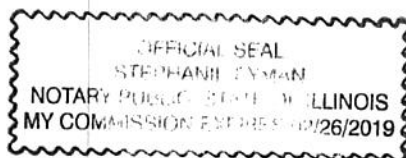
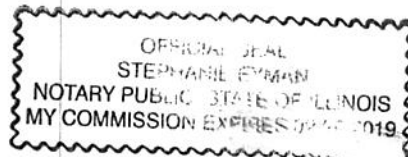
Timothy A. Pflederer, MD, FASN, FASDIN
President, RenalCare Associates

Notarization:

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 9th day of Feb., 2017

Signature of Notary

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CURRENT RENALCARE DIALYSIS PATIENTS

Zip City	East Peoria	Peoria Downtown	Peoria North	Patients
61605-PEORIA	5	54	7	66
61604-PEORIA	7	29	14	50
61614-PEORIA	6	4	10	20
61603-PEORIA	11	20	5	36
61571-WASHINGTON	16		1	17
61615-PEORIA	2	4	14	20
61607-BARTONVILLE	3	3	3	9
61611-EAST PEORIA	15	1	1	17
61610-CREVE COEUR	2	1		3
61548-METAMORA	6			6
61525-DUNLAP			1	1
61606-PEORIA		2	1	3
61523-CHILLICOTHE			7	7
61536-HANNA CITY	1		1	2
61616-PEORIA HEIGHTS	1	2		3
61517-BRIMFIELD			1	1
61528-EDWARDS		1	1	2
61530-EUREKA	4			4
61602-PEORIA	1	2	1	4
61612-PEORIA	1		2	3
61401-GALESBURG	1			1
61559-PRINCEVILLE			3	3
61570-WASHBURN		2		2
61572-YATES CITY			1	1
61537-HENRY	1		2	3
61540-LACON		1	2	3
61545-CAZENOVIA	3			3
61554-PEKIN	1	1	2	4
61550-MORTON	7	2		9
61760-MINOCK			1	1
62326-COLCHESTER			1	1
TOTAL	94	129	82	305

PHYSICIAN REFERRALS FOR THE MOST RECENT YEAR

Zip City	East Peoria	Peoria Downtown	Peoria North	Patients
Totals				72
61605-PEORIA	1	13	2	16
61604-PEORIA	2	10	4	16
61614-PEORIA	2		5	7
61603-PEORIA	1	4		5
61571-WASHINGTON	3			3
61615-PEORIA		1	5	6
61607-BARTONVILLE		1	2	3
61611-EAST PEORIA	6			6
61610-CREVE COEUR	1			1
61548-METAMORA	3			3
61604-WEST PEORIA				0
61525-DUNLAP				0
61606-PEORIA		1		1
61523-CHILLICOTHE			3	3
61536-HANNA CITY				0
61616-PEORIA HEIGHTS		1		1
61636-PEORIA			1	1

CKD STAGE 4 AND 5 PATIENTS IN THE UNITY POINT PEORIA MARKET

Zip City	CKD stage 4 (#)	CKD stage 5 (#)
Totals	317	37
61605-PEORIA	40	9
61604-PEORIA	36	10
61614-PEORIA	29	3
61603-PEORIA	16	2
61571-WASHINGTON	20	6
61615-PEORIA	23	1
61607-BARTONVILLE	8	0
61611-EAST PEORIA	23	0
61610-CREVE COEUR	10	3
61548-METAMORA	13	1
61604-WEST PEORIA	5	1
61525-DUNLAP	6	1
61606-PEORIA	5	0
61523-CHILLICOTHE	17	0
61536-HANNA CITY	4	0
61607-PEORIA	6	0
61616-PEORIA HEIGHTS	8	0
61636-PEORIA	1	0
61550-MORTON	22	0
61559-PRINCEVILLE	5	0
61602-PEORIA	4	0
61540-LACON	4	0
61517-BRIMFIELD	3	0
61528-EDWARDS	5	0
61533-GLASFORD	3	0
61548-GERMANTOWN HILLS	1	0

**PRE-ESRD PATIENTS EXPECTED TO BE REFERRED TO THE
UNITY POINT FACILITY IN THE 1ST TWO YEARS OF
OPERATION**

Zip City	Patients
Totals	70
61605-PEORIA	10
61604-PEORIA	8
61614-PEORIA	6
61603-PEORIA	4
61571-WASHINGTON	5
61615-PEORIA	3
61607-BARTONVILLE	1
61611-EAST PEORIA	10
61610-CREVE COEUR	1
61548-METAMORA	1
61604-WEST PEORIA	1
61525-DUNLAP	1
61606-PEORIA	3
61523-CHILLICOTHE	3
61536-HANNA CITY	1
61607-PEORIA	2
61616-PEORIA HEIGHTS	1
61550-MORTON	3
61636-PEORIA	0
61559-PRINCEVILLE	1
61602-PEORIA	1
61540-LACON	1
61517-BRIMFIELD	1
61528-EDWARDS	1
61533-GLASFORD	1
61548-GERMANTOWN HILLS	0