



Kidney Care Center Rockford  
6940 VillaGreen View  
Rockford, IL, 61107

May 25, 2018

Ms. Courtney Avery  
Administrator  
Illinois Health Facilities & Services Review Board  
525 W. Jefferson St., 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Springfield, IL 62761

Re: 17-070 - Dialysis Care Center Rockford, Rockford

Dear Ms. Avery,

I am pleased to support Dialysis Care Center Rockford. The proposed 12-station chronic renal dialysis facility, to be located at 657 Highgrove Place, Rockford, IL, 61108

Dialysis Care Center Rockford facility will improve access to necessary dialysis services in the Rockford community.

My partner and I have witnessed extreme growth of both population and of ESRD patients in this area. We have many pre-ESRD patients in my practice that I anticipate referring to the Dialysis Care Center Rockford. This facility will better serve the growing number of dialysis patients in my practice.

We currently have 94 CKD 4 pre-ESRD patients in my practice, this does not include any patients that are CKD 3, the list is provided for those patients as well but have not been accounted for in any calculation purposes. Of these, I expect approximately 25% to expire, regain function, move out of the area or choose home dialysis before dialysis therapy is started. I expect then that approximately 70 of these patients would be referred to Dialysis Care Center Rockford facility for dialysis. My partners and I will continue to refer patients to the other area facilities per the patient's place of residence and choice. We are also strong supporters of home dialysis through our Rockford home therapies programs and will continue to refer those patients who are good candidates for home dialysis services.

Appendix 1

I respectfully ask you to consider the constant growth of ESRD in Rockford and Winnebago County to approve the Dialysis Care Center Rockford facility to maintain access for future dialysis patients.

These patient referrals have not been used to support another pending or approved certificate of need application. I attest that to the best of my knowledge, all the information contained in this letter is true and correct.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Talal Mahmood  
Dr Talal Mahmood

Notarization:

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 29<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2018



Signature of Notary

Seal



Appendix 1