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Project #19-041, Fresenius Medical Care Melrose Park
Permit Holder: Fresenius Medical Care Chicagoland, LLC, and Fresenius Medical Care Holdings, Inc.

Dear Mike:

Enclosed please find the transfer agreement between Fresenius Medical Care Chicagoland, LLC d/b/a Fresenius Medical Care Melrose Park and Gottlieb Memorial Hospital.

Sincerely,

Lori Wright
Senior CON Specialist

August 22, 2019

Ginger Hook
Gottlieb Memorial Hospital
701 W. North Avenue
Melrose Park, IL 60160

Re: Letter of Agreement – Dialysis Patient Transfers


Dear Ms. Hook,

Fresenius Kidney Care Melrose Park is relocating from 1111 Superior Street, Melrose Park to 6 N. 9th Avenue, also in Melrose Park, and needs a Letter of Agreement for dialysis patient transfers to meet Conditions for Coverage for End-Stage Renal Disease Facilities. These conditions require every dialysis facility to enter an agreement with an area hospital (see 42 CFR §494.180(g)(3)). The required agreement does not create any obligation with respect to referrals or care utilization, nor does it create a vendor relationship; rather, the agreement serves as an important acknowledgement that dialysis patients may need critical hospital care from time to time. The agreement must confirm that the hospital's services will be available promptly to these patients when needed (as they would be to anyone in the community) and must include reasonable assurances that the hospital will accept and treat these patients in emergencies.


By signing this Letter of Agreement, you are acknowledging that you are a hospital that can provide inpatient care, routine and emergency dialysis and other hospital services, and emergency medical care which is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week; that your services will be available promptly to our Facility's patients when needed; and that you will accept and treat, or otherwise arrange for the provision of emergency care to, our Facility's patients in emergencies.

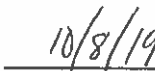
We strive to provide exceptional care to our dialysis patients and look forward to coordinating with you when our patients seek care at your hospital.

Sincerely,


Marybeth Wiekierak, Regional Vice President

Agreed and acknowledged:


Signature
CNO, VP Patient Care
Title


Date