

August 2, 2019

Ms. Courtney Avery
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street, Second Floor
Springfield, Illinois 62761

Re: E-024-19

Dear Ms. Avery:

I am writing to you regarding the possible closing of St. Francis/MetroSouth Medical Center in Blue Island, Illinois.

I am very concerned about this closure as I, as well as my family have been patients of St. Francis/MetroSouth on numerous occasions. We have all received wonderful care at the hospital from the doctors and nurses right down to the maintenance people. We are residents of Evergreen Park and live half way between Little Company of Mary and Christ Hospitals, however, choose to receive our care at MetroSouth, of which there is no comparison to the care which was received at MetroSouth to the other two hospitals. Our physicians are all on the staff at MetroSouth as well as other hospitals in the far south suburbs, but we have always chosen MetroSouth because of the care and compassion we have received there.

Having been hospitalized for a major illness to a joint replacement – I wouldn't want to go anywhere else and hope that the Health Board doesn't make that choice for my family and the other patients at MetroSouth.

Thanking you in advance for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,



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