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February 13, 2020

Ms. Courtney Avery, Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street 2nd Floor
Springfield, Illinois 62761

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Ms. Avery,

I am Medical Director for the Advocate Condell Intensive Care Unit (ICU). Advocate Condell is a Level I Trauma Center, Stroke Center, Chest Pain Center and Resource Hospital for our community. The ICU responds to and provides care for critical injuries and illnesses from the Emergency Department, Cardiac Cath Lab, Surgical Services and any other location within the hospital where any patient may have a critical change in condition.

We are acutely aware of the limitations of the current 17 bed capacity of the ICU because we regularly have to locate critical care nursing and physician staff outside the ICU to accommodate a volume in excess 17 of patients. The increase from 17 beds to 32 beds is critical to our ability to meet the needs of the patients we serve daily. Our critical care team will be better able to provide the necessary support for all critically ill patients by increasing the total capacity of the ICU and eliminating the need to locate patients and services outside the ICU. This increased capacity and updating of the ICU facilities will improve care delivery and the patient/family experience.

The design of the West Tower 5th floor to replace the current medical surgical nursing unit and dialysis capacity will increase access and capacity for our chronic renal failure patients. Frequently these patients come to the ICU due to an acute medical crisis and need continued stabilization of their dialysis treatments prior to discharge thus requiring care on the renal medical/surgical unit. The improvements in the ICU and West Tower 5th Floor will better serve the ever expanding critically ill and renal patient population.

The patients of Lake County deserve the updated facilities and increased capacity for the critically ill and dialysis population this project will provide. For these reasons, I respectfully urge the members of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board to approve the Certificate of Need request for the modernization and expansion of the Intensive Care Unit and the renal medical surgical nursing unit.

Sincerely,

Stephen Amesbury, MD
ICU Medical Director/Chairman of ICU Committee
Advocate Condell Medical Center



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Dear Ms. Avery,

As the Medical Director of Trauma at Advocate Condell Medical Center in Libertyville, I lead a multidisciplinary team of physicians responsible for the treatment of trauma patients for Northeastern Illinois and Southeastern Wisconsin (Region X). As you are aware, Advocate Condell is the only Level I Trauma Center in Lake County and as such our team is responsible for the care of the most critically injured in the Region. These patients are directly admitted to Condell from the scene or are transferred in from outside hospitals.

The limitations of our ICU with only a 17-bed capacity can create significant continuity of care issues and patient flow issues. As medical care evolves, the modernization of the ICU to current standards will improve our delivery of care to those critically injured. The increase from 17 beds to 32 beds is essential to our ability to meet the needs of the patients we serve daily. In addition, the design of the 5th floor of the West Tower to replace the current medical surgical nursing unit and increase in dialysis capacity will increase access for our chronic renal failure patients as well as trauma patients whose injury results in renal failure and a need for dialysis.

The improvements in the ICU and 5th Floor of the West Tower will better serve the ever expanding needs of our community. The patients of Lake County deserve the best care possible. The updated facilities and increased capacity for the critically and dialysis population this project will help provide this care. For these reasons, I respectfully urge the members of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board to approve the Certificate of Need request for the modernization and expansion of the Intensive Care Unit and the renal medical surgical nursing unit.

Respectfully,

William Watson, M.D., FACS
Medical Director of Trauma
Advocate Condell Medical Center



Mano a Mano
Family Resource Center

January 15, 2020

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Dear Ms. Avery:

I'm writing to you today in support for Advocate Condell Medical Center's application to expand the number of Intensive Care Unit (ICU) beds in Condell. I speak for our clients when I say we are grateful for the outstanding care and services the hospital provides for our entire community.

Together with the region's existing hospitals, our organization has helped Lake County residents far and wide. We would not have the same impact without these partner hospitals. We value and appreciate our collaborative efforts to help our community members. Mano a Mano has partnered with the hospital in several initiatives such as; Rx Mobile Food Pantry, Mental Health First Aid Training, hosting the Lake county Community Health Workers Partnership, in addition to our organization serving in the hospital's Community Health Council.

As you review this application, I ask you to remember the underserved people in this community. Please help us continue our important work in the Lake County by approving Condell's expansion of their Intensive Care Unit (ICU) beds.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best Regards,

Dulce Ortiz
Executive Director