

January 2, 2020

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

RE: Orthopedic Services added to Metroeast Endoscopic Surgery Center

To Whom It May Concern:

Medicate Pharmacy is pleased to support the Metroeast Endoscopic Surgery Center's, (MESC) application to add Orthopedic services to the surgery center in Fairview Heights. Through its current services, MESC has been a committed organization working to improve the lives of the citizens in St. Clair County, the Metro East, and this region, by offering and delivering quality and affordable services.

As President and CEO of Medicate Pharmacy, I understand firsthand, the need for patients and patient families to have options for quality, affordable healthcare services. Medicate Pharmacy has served the metro east for over 30 years and continues to provide quality services to patients. Through the years I also know that MESC, like Medicate Pharmacy, gives families the choice for excellent quality services at convenient and accessible locations. We also serve many of the same families. We appreciate the past efforts and fully support MESC's application to add orthopedics to its current scope of services.

Affordable, quality services, continue to be at the forefront of healthcare discussions and debate. MESC's efforts are applauded and supported by Medicate Pharmacy. Please do not hesitate to call me if I can be of further assistance with MESC's application.

Sincerely,



Mike Schaltenbrand, President/ CEO
Medicate Pharmacy