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Ms. Courtney Avery
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board

Dear Ms. Courtney Avery:

I am writing in support of the proposed new facility to be built in Effingham, IL to replace the current SBL Bonutti Clinic. I have utilized Bonutti clinic in many capacities in the last 20 years, as a Physical Therapy student, a patient, and a father of patients. They always provide top quality care, often times despite the physical limitations of their facility. The waiting room is small, the rooms are small, and the facility is no longer adequate to meet the needs of the current growing orthopedic practice. The increased size of the building is needed just for the needs of the current practice, not taking into account the consolidation of services that will also occur with this new facility. The addition of the CT scanner is also simply an added benefit for the current SBL Bonutti Clinic patients. Currently, they are having to drive an hour or more to Mattoon/Charleston to the main SBL campus in order to receive this service. All other services are already being offered in Effingham, and this location will simply consolidate these for patient convenience. The objection being presented by HSHS simply is unfounded, and not relevant since their claim of redundant services does not apply. As previously stated, the services being consolidated here are already offered in Effingham.

Sincerely,



Kyle Stuemke