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Via Federal Express  
Via Email

Courtney R. Avery  
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**Re: Kindred Chicago Central Hospital**

Dear Ms. Avery:

This office represents Kindred Healthcare, LLC and Kindred THC North Shore, LLC (collectively, "Kindred"). Pursuant to 20 Ill. Comp. Stat. 3960/8.7(a), I am writing on behalf of Kindred to notify you that Kindred intends to file a certificate of need application with the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board (the "State Board") to discontinue, in its entirety, its 95-bed long-term acute care hospital known as Kindred Chicago Central Hospital (the "Hospital") located at 4058 West Melrose Street, Chicago, Illinois 60641 (the "Project").

The Project will result in the discontinuation of all of the Hospital's authorized beds as well as inpatient imaging services. Kindred leases the building housing the Hospital from a third party landlord. The lease expires on December 31, 2021 with no further renewal options available. Kindred anticipates the Hospital will close as soon as practicable after State Board approval but no sooner than June 10, 2021 and no later than December 31, 2021.

Kindred operates two long-term acute care hospitals within 10 miles of the Hospital. Kindred Hospital North and Kindred Hospital Chicago Northlake operate below the State Board's target occupancy of 85% and have sufficient capacity to accommodate the Hospital's patients. All patients will be discharged or transferred to another Kindred hospital prior to discontinuation of the Hospital. Therefore, the discontinuation of the Hospital will not affect access to long-term care acute care services in the Chicago metropolitan area.

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If you have any questions about Kindred's plans to discontinue Kindred Chicago Central Hospital, please feel free to contact Matthew Keppler at 502-596-6926.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Anne M. Cooper'.

Anne M. Cooper

cc: Stacie Winkler, Kindred Healthcare