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VIA Federal Express and Email

Courtney Avery, Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street, 2nd floor
Springfield, Illinois, 62761
Attn: Michael Constantino

Re: #21-028 Dialysis Care Center Rockford
Supplemental Information for Expansion

Dear Ms. Avery,

On September 3, 2021, we submitted an additional four-station expansion request to the Illinois Health Facilities & Services Review Board. Please see attached supporting documentation.

1. Due to the scale and impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the healthcare system and providers in the United States. The pandemic has prompted us to evaluate and analyze the effectiveness and efficiency of all our dialysis units across the states to continue to provide quality care to our patients and to better position our clinics for any unforeseen situation such as a new COVID-19 strain in the future. To determine the efficiency of our clinics, we utilized our internal data compiled from our clinics to analyze how efficiently we can allocate the available resources in caring for our patients without compromising quality.
Our current staffing model in our clinics is a 12-1 patient ratio for nurses and a 4-1 Patient Care Technician ratio. Currently, the available chairs at the DCC Rockford unit do not meet our efficiency metrics as determined by our data analysis. Based on our projections, we will exceed admission capacity in Dialysis Care Center Rockford per soon. However, as we strive to continue to provide high-quality care to our patients during this COVID-19 pandemic. It is highly necessary to have an additional 4 chairs to meet up with the needs and care of our patients.



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2. There will be no construction costs for this project as the unit was developed to accommodate possible expansion in the future based on the capacity and needs of our patients.
3. Please see attached our medical director letter as "Attachment 1"
4. There will be no transfer of existing patients to this facility. Only new referrals will be accepted in this unit.
5. Please see below the historical monthly census for Dialysis Care Center Rockford for the three months starting July 11, 2021.

Patient Census at month end	
July	8
August	15
September	17

6. 2020 DCC Holdings Financial Statements have been submitted to the Illinois Health services review board.
7. The other Dialysis provider in the GSA is DaVita clinic. As previously discussed, we want to provide an alternative to patients in this GSA to have access to quality care and the option to choose where they obtain their care.
8. The statement was to indicate that the unit is fully staffed to care for the non-Covid-19 patients and Covid-19 patients. To continue to provide high-quality care for this set of patients, we needed more chairs to accommodate the available resources at this unit.
9. We are currently running M, W, F for non-Covid patients and are treating Covid-19 positive patients on T, TH, S in isolation as required.



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10. Dialysis Care Center Rockford has the following staff in place which is sufficient for the expansion request with the current staffing we have in place.

Clinical Manager	1
Registered Nurses	1
Patient Care Technician	2
Administrative Assistant	1
Social Worker	1
Dietician	1
Biomed	1

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding the proposed project to establish an in-center hemodialysis facility.

Sincerely,

Asim M. Shazzad
Chief Operating Officer