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RE: Change of Ownership Exemption, Health Facilities Planning Act--Part 1130 Exemption.

Exemption #: E-023-21 – Sarah Bush Lincoln Fayette County Hospital

Exemption Holder: Fayette County Hospital District, Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center,

Heartland Health System, Inc.

Owner of Physical Plant: Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center

Entity to be Operating Entity/Licensee: Sarah Bush Lincoln Fayette County Hospital

Dear Mr. Starnes and Ms. Uphoff:

On March 28, 2022, the Chairwoman of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board (State Board) acting on behalf of the State Board under 77 ILL. Adm. Code 1130 approved your request for a change of ownership exemption. The approval was based upon the application's compliance with applicable provisions of 77 Ill. Adm. Code 1130, Section 1130.520. The exemption is for Sarah Bush Lincoln Fayette County Hospital, 650 West Taylor Street, Vandalia IL. The Hospital has been approved for 25 medical surgical beds and 85 long term care beds.

The exemption is considered a transfer of assets of a health care facility resulting in a change in the licensed entity. The operating entity/licensee is Sarah Bush Lincoln Fayette County Hospital and the owner of the site is Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center.

You are reminded that this exemption for change of ownership in which the applicant submitted key terms of the transaction, certification that the transaction was or was not completed according to the key terms contained in the application. The exemption holder must submit the certification within 90 days after the closing date of the transaction. To demonstrate completion of this transaction the exemption holder must provide the State Board with the date that the ownership change occurred and provide a copy of the license or certification issued pursuant to the change of ownership. Failure to provide the required notification shall subject the exemption holder to the

sanctions provided under Section 14 of the Illinois Health Facilities Planning Act. The exemption holder is also reminded that 77 Il. Adm. Code 1130.140 defines transactions that constitute a change of ownership of a health care facility. You should become familiar with those definitions.

The State Board's approval does not exempt the transaction from any other regulatory, certification or licensure requirements that may be applicable prior to acquisition. The exemption will be invalid should the facility for which the change of ownership was granted cease to be an existing health care facility as defined in 77 II. Adm. Code 1130.140.

Should you have any questions please contact Mike Constantino or George Roate at mike.constantino@illinois.gov or george.roate@illinois.gov or 217-782-3516.

Sincerely,

Debra Savage, Chairwoman

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