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Mr. John Kniery

Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review  
Board  
525 West Jefferson Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Springfield, Illinois 62761

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**Re: Pain & Spine Institute Surgery Center (Prog. No 23-033)**

Dear Mr. Kniery:

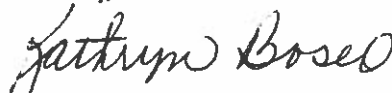
I write this letter supporting Pain & Spine Institute Surgery Center in its plans to establish a freestanding, lower cost and limited specialty center for pain management in Joliet, Illinois. I can personally attest that Pain & Spine Institute is dedicated to providing patients with state-of-the-art pain management services to enable patients to improve daily function, relieve pain and renew quality of life.

Due to the rising health care costs and the increasing health plan deductibles, it is imperative for our State planning agencies to ensure that there are facilities where lower cost care can be provided to meet the communities growing demand.

Specialty surgery centers can ensure patient access to pain management in a comfortable and economical environment. Pain & Spine Institute physicians can be more efficient in a surgical center with specialized staffing reducing procedural delays and lower risk to patients.

Presently there are no adequate options in the community for pain management services. I support Pain & Spine Institute Surgery Centers's application for an approval certificate of need application for a limited specialty surgery center to help people in the community with debilitating chronic pain to hopefully make their lives more manageable.

Sincerely,



Kathryn Boseo