

January 3, 2024

Mr. John Kniery

Administrator

Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board

525 West Jefferson Street, 2nd Floor

Springfield, Illinois 62761

Subject: Pain & Spine Institute Surgery Center (Proj. No. 23-033)

Dear Mr. Kniery,

I am writing to express my wholehearted support for the Pain & Spine Institute Surgery Center for the establishment of an Interventional Pain Management Center. As a spine surgeon with 17 years of experience, I am acutely aware of the unmet need for comprehensive interventional pain management services within our community.

The proposed Interventional Pain Management Center is poised to make a significant impact on the lives of patients suffering from chronic and debilitating pain conditions. The integration of specialized interventional pain management techniques, coupled with the expertise of the medical staff, will undoubtedly contribute to an improved quality of life for our patients.

The establishment of this center will not only alleviate the burden on existing healthcare facilities but will also serve as a beacon of hope for individuals grappling with persistent pain issues.

The multidisciplinary approach outlined in the application, involving collaboration among spine surgeons, pain management specialists, and allied healthcare professionals, is commendable. Such a collaborative model ensures comprehensive care for patients, addressing both the underlying spine-related issues and the intricacies of pain management.

I believe that the Pain & Spine Institute Surgery Center will fill a critical gap in our healthcare landscape, providing specialized care to those in our community who desperately need it. The center's commitment to evidence-based practices, patient education, and a patient-centered approach aligns seamlessly with the standards of excellence that our community deserves.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I am available to provide any additional information or address any questions that may arise during the evaluation process. Please feel free to contact me at your convenience on either my cell phone (773-263-7898) or email ctemplin@ibji.com.

Sincerely,

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