

September 25, 2025

Ms. Debra Savage, Chairwoman
Mr. John P. Kniery, Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street, 2nd Floor
Springfield, IL 62761

Re: Monthly Correspondence

Project 24-011 OSF Saint Elizabeth Medical Center – Ottawa, Replacement Hospital
Project 24-013 OSF Saint Elizabeth Medical Center – Ottawa, Discontinuation of Facility

Dear Chairwoman Savage and Mr. Kniery:

On behalf of OSF HealthCare, I'm pleased to provide the Board with an update on our ongoing community engagement efforts. This report summarizes the in-person meeting held in Ottawa, Illinois, on Monday, September 15, 2025, and includes the materials that were shared during the session.

Community Representatives and Elected Officials:

- George Shanley – Member, OSF Saint Elizabeth Community Council
- Colleen Burns – Licensed Real Estate Broker
- Amy Murri Briehl – State Representative (76th District)
- Jay McCracken – Executive Director, Ottawa Area Chamber of Commerce
- Wayne Eichelkraut – Commissioner, City of Ottawa
- Tom Ganiere – Commissioner, City of Ottawa
- Ron Henson – Ottawa Insurance Agent

OSF HealthCare Representatives:

- Dawn Trompeter – President, OSF Saint Elizabeth Medical Center
- Bob Sehring – CEO and Board Member, OSF HealthCare
- August Querciagrossa – Western Region CEO, OSF HealthCare

Purpose

The meeting provided an opportunity for OSF HealthCare to share updates with community stakeholders on current operations, new services, and organizational priorities.

Key Discussion Points

- **Inpatient Census & Service Updates**

The meeting began on time with a review and discussion of inpatient census data (see attachment). No new service updates were reported. Census data for med/surg, ICU and OB continue to be at or below the projected data submitted in the CON applications 24-011 and 24-014. Med/Surg average daily census was projected to be 42.4 for Ottawa and Peru locations combined for 2025 and actual ADC through August is 41.6. OB 2025 projected ADC was 6.6 and actual ADC through August is 3.9. ICU 2025 projected ADC for Ottawa and Peru locations combined was 4.6 and actual through August is 3.9.

- **Data Analysis**

OSF provided comments regarding the OB and ICU data analysis received from “Citizens for Healthcare in Ottawa.” at the August meeting. OSF commented the analysis “Citizens for Healthcare in Ottawa” presented used a primary/secondary service area analysis which is typically used for strategic planning/marketing purposes. It is not standard nor applicable in assessing access to services for a regional population. Their analysis also did not include all data from the entire planning area; only focusing on the eastern portion of the C-02 planning area. OSF highlighted its responsibility to serve the entire C-02 planning area. On the other hand, duplication of these services in multiple cities is not achievable or sustainable. Peru’s central location makes it the most practical site for providing the highest level of accessible OB and ICU medical care to the region.

A few of the Ottawa participants continued to express concern about the loss of services in Ottawa; particularly OB. OSF reiterated the regional OB model discussed at the August meeting is focused on increasing access to both pre-natal and post-natal care across all the C-02 planning area including offices in Ottawa, Mendota, Princeton, Peru and Streator and virtual and mobile throughout the entire C-02 planning area. For most women in the planning area, the actual delivery is often the only encounter to be focused exclusively on the Peru campus.

To date, we have been unable to reach consensus regarding a regional center for OB inpatient and ICU services. OSF restated the importance of the regional ICU services approach which allows us the ability to recruit specialists (pulmonary/critical care) to increase our ability to serve patients with higher acuity needs who are currently being transferred out of the planning area. In addition, this approach will increase the access to much needed pulmonology outpatient services.



Next Meeting: October 21, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in Ottawa

Sincerely,

AJ Querciagrossa, Chief Executive Officer, Western Region, OSF HealthCare

c: Dawn Trompeter, President, OSF HealthCare Saint Elizabeth Medical Center – Ottawa
Mark Hohulin, Senior Vice President, Health Care Analytics, OSF HealthCare
Ralph Weber, CON Consultant
Mike Constantino, Chief, Project Review

9/15/25 Meeting

Med/Surg																		
Ottawa							Peru (expanded from 12 to 45 beds on 8/18/25)						Ottawa/Peru Combined					
	<u>Proj. Admits</u>	<u>Act. Admits</u>	<u>Proj. Pt. Days</u>	<u>Act. Pt. Days</u>	<u>Proj. ADC</u>	<u>Act. ADC</u>	<u>Proj. Admits</u>	<u>Act. Admits</u>	<u>Proj. Pt. Days</u>	<u>Act. Pt. Days</u>	<u>Proj. ADC</u>	<u>Act. ADC</u>	<u>Proj. Admits</u>	<u>Act. Admits</u>	<u>Proj. Pt. Days</u>	<u>Act. Pt. Days</u>	<u>Proj. ADC</u>	<u>Act. ADC</u>
2024	2,328	2,320	11,966	12,555	32.8	34.3	395	407	2,030	1,764	9.6	4.8	2,723	2,727	13,996	14,319	42.4	39.1
2025 (Jan-Aug)		1,470		7,781		32.2		506		2,291		9.5		1,976		10,072		41.6
2025 Annualized	2,328	2,543	11,966	11,736	32.8	32.2	676	763	3,504	3,455	9.6	9.5	3,004	2,980	15,470	15,191	42.4	41.6
OB																		
	<u>Proj. Admits</u>	<u>Act. Admits</u>	<u>Proj. Pt. Days</u>	<u>Act. Pt. Days</u>	<u>Proj. ADC</u>	<u>Act. ADC</u>	<u>Deliveries</u>											
2024	759	672	1,698	1,444	4.7	3.9	653											
2025 (Jan-Aug)		454		935		3.9	432											
2025 Annualized	1,043	685	2,420	1,410	6.6	3.9	652											
ICU																		
Ottawa							Peru (opened 8/18/25)						Ottawa/Peru Combined					
	<u>Proj. Admits</u>	<u>Act. Admits</u>	<u>Proj. Pt. Days</u>	<u>Act. Pt. Days</u>	<u>Proj. ADC</u>	<u>Act. ADC</u>	<u>Proj. Admits</u>	<u>Act. Admits</u>	<u>Proj. Pt. Days</u>	<u>Act. Pt. Days</u>	<u>Proj. ADC</u>	<u>Act. ADC</u>	<u>Proj. Admits</u>	<u>Act. Admits</u>	<u>Proj. Pt. Days</u>	<u>Act. Pt. Days</u>	<u>Proj. ADC</u>	<u>Act. ADC</u>
2024	585	418	1,669	1,416	4.6	3.9	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	585	418	1,669	1,416	4.6	3.9
2025 (Jan-Aug)		286		910		3.8		12		40		2.9		298		950		3.9
2025 Annualized	439	431	1,252	1,373	4.6	3.8	146	117	417	389	4.6	2.9	585	449	1,669	1,433	4.6	3.9

Peru Updates

- No new updates

Service Updates

Service changes:

- No new updates

New services planned for the region:

- No new updates