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

**Re: Fresenius Medical Care of Deerfield**

Dear Mr. Kniery:

On behalf of Fresenius Medical Care, I am writing to inform you that we intend to file a Certificate of Need application with the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board (HFSRB) seeking approval to permanently discontinue the Fresenius Medical Care Deerfield dialysis facility, located at 405 Lake Cook Road, Deerfield.

The Deerfield 12-station dialysis facility has been at its current location for 15 years. In this time, it has been operating at an average of 35% capacity. Currently there are only 20 patients who dialyze at the facility resulting in a 28% utilization rate. Given the facility's continued low utilization, excess capacity at area Fresenius Medical Care facilities, and an excess of 79 stations in HSA 7, the decision was made to concurrently transfer the facility's patients and staff to nearby facilities of their choice.

Current Deerfield facility patients will easily be accommodated at any of the nearby Fresenius Medical Care facilities, or any facility of their choice, assuring access to care will be maintained. Patients will continue to have access to dialysis home therapies training as well.

We anticipate the facility will close, pending HFSRB approval, no later than December 31, 2024. Fresenius Medical Care remains committed to kidney disease initiatives in Illinois.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 912-429-6697.

Sincerely,

*Holley Kelly*

Holley Kelly, MSN  
Regional Vice President, Chicago Region