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40 Days for Life - Illinois
Granite City, IL
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To the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board:

We are submitting this written comment regarding **Project #25-043, The Hope Clinic for Women LTD**. My name is **Rev Jim & Jennifer Bowers**, and I am a local pastor and a representative of the **40 Days of Life - Illinois chapter organization**, main offices in **Waco, TX**.

I am deeply concerned about the Hope Clinic's request to discontinue its **Ambulatory Surgical Treatment Center (ASTC) license**. They are not discontinuing services to women, only changing their status. While Illinois law permits a facility to relinquish this license under certain conditions, doing so would **remove critical safety oversight and the only mechanism for routine state health department inspections**—despite the clinic's history of documented deficiencies and its high volume of later-term abortion procedures.

Key issues informing my concern include:

- Hope Clinic **has not undergone a full inspection since 2022**, when it was cited for failing to follow emergency transfer protocols.
- There have been at least **26 reported medical emergencies between 2022–2024, with more being uncovered this year**.
- The facility advertises abortion procedures through **27 weeks, 6 days**, a level of acuity that requires meaningful oversight to protect patient safety.

In this clinic and similar ones in Illinois it is possible to have horrible scenes and abuse of women like recently, Nov 16th, 2025, as described in the article from Life News about a clinic in Chicago area in the link here:

Clipped from: <https://www.lifenews.com/2025/12/05/planned-parenthood-kicks-woman-out-of-clinic-after-botched-abortion/>

This could not happen in a properly regulated facility. How did it happen? Could it happen at mis - Hope Clinic? I fear so

Given these concerns, I respectfully request that the Board:

- Require a full, comprehensive inspection of Hope Clinic before making any licensure determination.
- Ensure complete transparency regarding all steps taken in the licensure-surrender process.
- Consider the public welfare and patient safety implications of allowing such a high-volume, later-term facility to operate without ASTC oversight.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please consider the precious life of women and

babies in this decision.

Respectfully,
Merry Christmas,
Rev Jim and Jennifer Bowers

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