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Courtney Avery  
Administrator  
Illinois Health Facilities & Services Review Board  
525 W. Jefferson Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Springfield, IL 62761

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RE: Project #12-067, Fresenius Medical Care Normal

Dear Ms. Avery:

My name is Colleen Kannaday and I am the President of Advocate BroMenn Medical Center in Normal. The purpose of this letter is to state my support for the establishment of the Fresenius Medical Care Normal dialysis center. This proposed facility would answer the current need we see for additional dialysis stations in the area served by the Hospital. We have an aging population that is more prone to the diseases that cause kidney failure and along with that they suffer from many other co-morbid conditions.

Establishing Fresenius Normal will greatly benefit this community which is experiencing heavy utilization of the current area clinic Fresenius Medical Care McLean County in Bloomington. The Hospital at times has difficulty finding a proper treatment shift for a new dialysis patient with the current facility's utilization. Additional access is needed to provide adequate and on-going treatment times for our dialysis patients.

We have a long-standing working relationship with the physicians supporting this project, Renal Care Associates, and Fresenius Medical Care. We welcome their continued commitment in bringing quality care to our community with the proposed additional access to dialysis therapies for Bloomington/Normal.

Thank you for your time and attention in considering this much needed facility. I urge you to vote in favor of the Fresenius Medical Care Normal dialysis clinic.

Sincerely,



Colleen L. Kannaday  
President

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