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Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board  
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Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board:

During the past several months, I have been seeking another placement for my 40 year old son who has autism and mental retardation. He is on same room supervision at Jacksonville Developmental Center (JDC). His father and I are co-guardians and have been actively seeking another placement. Due to his needs, we thought an ICF/DD would be appropriate. He was not accepted by one after an overnight visit, and we were told he needed a one on one. The second ICF/DD has one unit that would be appropriate for him, however, there are no openings and a huge waiting list. If his name ever did come to the head of the list, they would consider him. Since this list is so long, there is really no hope of this placement. We toured a 16 bed ICF/DD which clearly did not offer the amount of supervision my son requires.

We are continue to actively seek other placements, including CILAs, and are working with social workers at JDC. Since we are very involved in our son's life, we would like to place him within a reasonable drive from Springfield so we can visit him as well as bring him home overnight. In spite of our efforts, we have no placement at this time. Therefore, I would ask you to please consider keeping JDC open until June 30, 2013 or until all individuals are placed into an appropriate facility. The best option would be for a smaller JDC to remain open, but I realize this is not the State's plan.

Any consideration you could give to keeping JDC open longer would help me find another placement for my son and the other high need individuals living there.

Thank you,

  
Rosetta Marty Milligan