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March 29th 2014

Ms. Courtney Avery
Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street, 2nd Floor
Springfield, Illinois 62702

Projects 14-003 and 14-004

Dear Ms. Avery:

Horizons Behavioral Health provides Psychiatric, Psychological and Counseling Services to patients with a wide range of psychiatric diagnoses. These services are provided in inpatient hospital settings as well as in outpatient hospital settings and in our office in Crystal Lake, which is located in McHenry County.

We, the signatories to this letter, are Psychiatrists who are members of the medical staff of Centegra Health System. Each of us either treats psychiatric inpatients in the Acute Mental Illness (Psychiatric) Unit at Centegra Specialty Hospital-Woodstock, South Street or, if we do not treat inpatients, refers patients requiring inpatient psychiatric care to a member of our group who treats inpatients in the Psychiatric Unit at Centegra Specialty Hospital-Woodstock, South Street.

We are all aware that Centegra Specialty Hospital-Woodstock, South Street, Centegra Hospital-Woodstock, and Centegra Health System are submitting certificate of need (CON) applications to discontinue the Acute Mental Illness (AMI) Category of Service at Centegra Specialty Hospital-Woodstock, South Street in order to relocate this Category of Service to Centegra Hospital-Woodstock.

We support these CON applications and will continue to treat our patients in the Psychiatric Unit at Centegra Hospital-Woodstock when that category of service is relocated to that hospital.

The purpose of this letter is to certify that, once Centegra Hospital-Woodstock's AMI Category of Service becomes operational, members of our group will continue to provide care to the same AMI inpatients as currently receive care in this category of service at Centegra Specialty Hospital-Woodstock

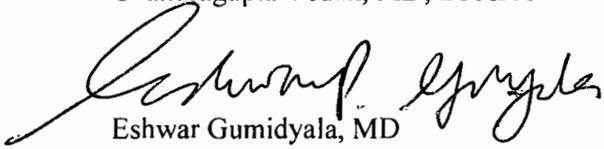
Members of Horizons Behavioral Health estimate that we will continue to treat, at a minimum, on an annual basis during the first two full fiscal years of operation at Centegra Hospital-Woodstock's AMI Category of Service, which will be its first 24 months of operation, the same number of patients experiencing the same number of patient days as members of our practice currently treat at Centegra Specialty Hospital-Woodstock, South Street. In addition, because this is an area of increasing population, we expect that between now and the completion of the first two full fiscal years of operation of the AMI Category of Service at Centegra Hospital-Woodstock, which will be its first 24 months of operation, our

practices and the resulting inpatient referrals will increase at least commensurate with the expected population increase in the area.

Sincerely,



Chandragupta Vedak, MD, DFAPA



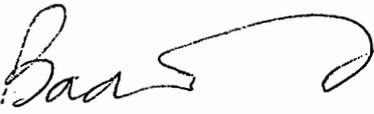
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The Family Health Partnership Clinic is an organization that provides quality health care to the uninsured and underinsured in McHenry County, Illinois. We have partnered with Centegra Health System for 13 years to meet the health needs of our community. Our clinic supports Centegra Health System's Projects 14-003 and 14-004 to relocate the Acute Mental Illness Category of Service from South Street to Doty Road in Woodstock and to consolidate Obstetrics to Centegra Hospital-McHenry.

Centegra's employees and Centegra Physician Care providers give our patients the finest compassionate care. Centegra always responsibly plans for meeting the health and wellness needs of our entire county. These projects, 14-003 and 14-004, are no exception. Enhanced behavioral health services will meet the needs of our patients. The obstetrics consolidation will also provide advanced services for the mothers and babies in our area.

Our clinic operates with 28 volunteer physicians, 17 referral physicians, 10 volunteer nurses, four volunteer interpreters, 20 general clinic volunteers, eight summer college students, two staff nurse practitioners and a mix of volunteer and paid staff. The clinic is funded through private grants, foundations and community fundraising. Until the clinic opened in 1996, there was no place in the county for people without health insurance except for the emergency room. The majority of these are termed the "working poor" because while they hold jobs, they are not offered insurance, are unable to afford insurance on their wages or have no coverage for their family members. The Clinic operates on a sliding fee scale, although no patient is turned away due to inability to pay.

Fourteen of our volunteer physicians and one volunteer family nurse practitioner are employed by Centegra Physician Care. Another clinical nurse specialist who is employed by Centegra Health System also volunteers at our clinic. In calendar year 2013, Centegra Physician Care providers volunteered 478.5 hours in 1,229 visits to the

Family Health Partnership Clinic

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Family Health Partnership Clinic. Centegra also supports the clinic with more than the important donation of volunteer time – the health system provides \$30,000 in funding each year and has helped support the building of its new Clinic in Crystal Lake. Due to the high demand for our services, the Family Health Partnership Clinic opened a new, larger facility in 2013 to better accommodate patients and staff.

When our clinic develops a backlog of patients who need pap smears and other health screenings, Centegra Physician Care obstetricians and gynecologists volunteer their time for a day to reduce the list of women who are waiting for these essential screenings.

We are proud to partner with Centegra Health System and Centegra Physician Care to provide outstanding medical care to the uninsured and underinsured people in our community. Please support Centegra's Projects 14-003 and 14-004. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Suzanne Hoban", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Suzanne Hoban, MPH

Executive Director

20 March 2014