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Mike Constantino
Illinois Health Facilities & Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson, 2nd Floor
Springfield, IL 62761

Re: Concerns - #16-022, Dialysis Care Center Olympia Fields

Dear Mike:

After reviewing the above application filed by Dialysis Care Center Olympia Fields, LLC & Dialysis Care Center Holdings, LLC we at Fresenius appreciate the fact that you have requested additional information from the applicant. We have similar concerns and in order to evaluate the application accurately this information is necessary. I would, however, also like to draw your attention to additional items regarding this application that we have found disconcerting that perhaps may require additional attention.

In attachment 26C (pages 63 - 64) the chart of zip codes within 30-minutes travel time as shown does not pertain to the applicant's site but rather is copied/cut/pasted directly from #15-050, Fresenius Medical Care Chicago Heights, page 86. This site is over five miles away from the site of Dialysis Care Center Olympia Fields.

Also, in attachment 26C (page 65) the chart of facilities within 30-minutes travel time as shown does not pertain to the applicant's site but rather is copied/cut/pasted directly from the same Fresenius Chicago Heights application, #14-069 page 71 and also on page 87. However, the applicant omitted the travel times and footnotes that had been attached to the chart in the Fresenius application when copying it into their application.

Responding to these two vital criteria by copying the data from a separate application greatly skews the perception of the zip codes and clinics that lie within 30 minutes. It also invalidates any comments made in the application regarding the 30-minute area surrounding the proposed clinic.

Another concern that we have regarding this application is that it overlaps the service area of a simultaneously submitted application, #16-020, Dialysis Care Center Oak Lawn. Both applications are supported by the same physician practice, Kidney Care Center. This is even more problematic because Kidney Care Center nephrology practice physicians, specifically Tunji Morufu Alausa, M.D. and Mohammad Sameer Shafi, M.D. are also Joint Venture partners and supporting physicians for #14-042, DaVita Tinley

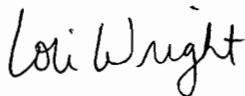
Park, which is not yet in operation, per that application. The Tinley Park location is only 15 minutes away from Dialysis Care Center Olympia Fields. It appears that these two projects also have overlapping service areas. We are concerned that there may be duplication of patients, given these 3 projects are all within a short distance from each other and all supported by patients coming from the same practice. We would urge you to follow up on this issue also if possible.

In reading through the application there are multiple instances where it appears the applicant copied language from both Fresenius Kidney Care and DaVita applications to satisfy certain criteria such as staff training. Due to the substantive nature of these projects it is concerning that the applicant is copying other applications and not conveying their own practices.

Lastly, in the Appendix, the applicant provided printed MapQuest travel times. The applicant utilized the MapQuest version that gives "real time" travel with most of the times conducted during the evening rush hour which is to the applicant's benefit. Travel analysis should utilize MapQuest Classic maps that show "normal" or shortest travel times, and then use the adjustment factor provided by Board rules, as do other applicants.

Thank you and please feel free to contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lori Wright".

Lori Wright
Senior CON Specialist

cc: Clare Ranalli