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To whom it may concern:

I am writing this letter in support of Illinois Vascular Center's application for a Certificate of Need (CON). I have been referring patients to Dr Makris and Dr Shah for the last 7 years and have had nothing but success and excellent results in terms of the care they have provided for my patients. Throughout the last 7 years, my patients have received the most ethical and compassionate treatment from the doctors and staff at Dr Makris' office. My patients give me such glowing reports of the physicians and staff and the care they receive. One of the most difficult parts of what they do is to provide a safe and comfortable setting for the interventions they provide. I urge you to approve Dr Makris' application for a surgery center so that he may continue to provide excellent care for my patients. Please feel free to contact me at (708)660-6100 to discuss this further.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeffery Alexander", written over a horizontal dashed line.

Dr Jeffery Alexander
Foot and Ankle Surgeon
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4/11/2017

April 11, 2017

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter in to support Dr. Angelo N. Makris in his pursuit of a surgery center Certificate of Need at the facility in Westmont.

I have been patient of Dr. Makris and his partners for several years now and I am very grateful to have an alternative to a hospital setting.

Dr. Makris and his staff are very welcoming and treat you as a person not a medical record number – it is very nice to walk into a place that knows you by name.

My vascular access checks are done in a timely manner and I never have to wait to be seen by any of his staff, they are a stellar group of individuals. You can never count on that when you go to a hospital for care – they make you wait and if there is an emergency case that comes in they go before you.

I am requesting you accept and approve his application for a surgery center certificate of Need for Dr. Makris' facility.

Thank you for your time,

Kevin H. Matley

File-17005

April 10, 2017

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter in support of Dr. Angelo N. Makris to achieve a surgery center Certificate of Need at his facility.

As a patient of Dr. Makris I receive excellent care from him and his staff and it is easy for me to go there in order to maintain my vascular access. Also, the lack of one-on-one attention that I receive at the hospital does not happen at his facility. It would be so much more difficult and costly for me to go to a hospital and possibly be there all day. If this were the case, I might forego or delay having my vascular access check if my only alternative would be a hospital setting.

The ease of scheduling appointments cannot be compared to a hospital setting. I am taken back to the pre-op area minutes after I am registered, I do not have to wait for potential trauma cases that take precedence like at a hospital.

When you walk in you are greeted by the friendly front office staff who know you by name – it's a very comfortable family-like atmosphere to be in. His staff consists of magnet status nurses as well as his technologist's and medical assistants.

I ask you to please strongly consider his application so that future patients can reap the rewards of this wonderful facility for their elective procedures like I do.

Please approve the surgery center CON for Dr. Makris' practice.

Thank you,

Carol Newell

File # 17-005

FoxValley
DIALYSIS, LTD.

April 11, 2017

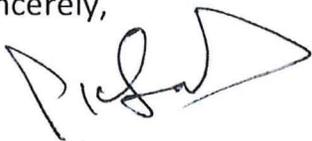
Re: Letter of Support for Chicago Access Centers

To whom it may concern:

I have referred my dialysis patients to obtain the gold standard, vascular access, from Dr. Makris' practice since August 2008. Our patients are always satisfied with the care and services they receive. The service is an important component of our patients' care as it helps to meet the golden standard of care for our dialysis patients.

Thank you and I urge you to approve Dr. Makris's proposed surgery center.

Sincerely,

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Dr. Pardeep Sood

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April 10, 2017

To whom it may concern,

Please be advised of the need for interventional nephrology in the Chicago area due to the shortage of vascular surgeons and hospital availability. Vascular access centers provide timely service to our dialysis population at lower cost, as well as allowing for maintenance of compliance with their treatment requirements. Fewer hospital admissions result as our patients are cared for expediently by trained, qualified staff.

Thank you for your consideration,

Respectfully,



James J. Rydel MD, FACP

**Samuel Ramirez, DPM**

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April 9, 2017

I am a podiatrist Practicing in the Chicago area for the past 20 years, and have been lucky enough to have Dr Markris as a Referral clinic for many of my diabetic patients as well as other patients with chronic venous insufficiency for the past 7 years.

I have been referring my patients to Dr Makris for various conditions such as kidney dialysis; and peripheral vascular disease as well as chronic venous insufficiency. The vast majority of my patients speak Spanish and say that the customer service and attention as well as ease of being booked for various procedures, was excellent as opposed to the hospital setting which can be more confusing and time consuming as well as costly.

I have noticed that some of my patients that were referred to some hospital facilities have related that the time from initial consult to actual procedure could take weeks; on the other hand Dr Makris facility has been very accommodating and prompt especially with some the more urgent cases involving intermittent claudication and non-healing diabetic ulcers in need of vascular reperfusion of the lower extremity.

I strongly recommend Dr Makris practice and surgicenter for well deserved Certificate of need, as soon as possible.

Sincerely

Sam Ramirez DPM

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April 11th, 2017

RE: File Number 17-005

Dear Ms Olson,

I am one of the physicians who works closely with Doctor Makris at the Vascular Center. I have known him professionally in varying capacities for nearly two decades. The service that he provides to his patients is unsurpassed and I know he wants nothing more than the absolute best for them. To that end, I am writing this letter to support the application to have his center granted Ambulatory Surgery center status, as he and his partners strive to provide the highest level of care for their current and future patients alike.

Regards,



Jonathan A. Levine, MD



April 11, 2017

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To whom it may concern:

Our dialysis patients have been referred to Chicago Access Center to maintain the gold standard in vascular access, an arteriovenous fistula, from Dr. Makris's practice since August 2008. Our patients are always satisfied with the care and services they receive. The service is an important component of our patients' care as it helps to meet the golden standard of care for our dialysis patients.

Thank you and I urge you to approve Dr. Makris's proposed surgery center.

Sincerely,

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Dr. Ivan Begov