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Ms. Courtney Avery, Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street, Second Floor
Springfield, Illinois 62761

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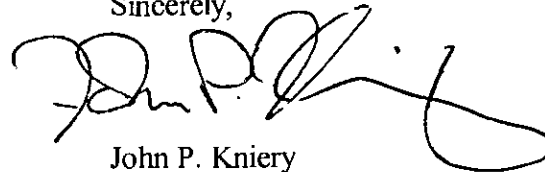
**Re: Project No. 17-048, Lake Behavioral
Hospital**

Dear Ms. Avery:

Please accept the enclosed support letters from Patient Centered Care Partners, Inc. and The Sheridan at Green Oaks for the above referenced project.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



John P. Kniery
Health Care Consultant

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Enclosures



November 11, 2017

Courtney Avery, Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
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Springfield, Illinois 62761

RE: Certificate of Need Application for Vista Medical Center West


Dear Ms. Avery,

As a resident of Lake County I'm letting you know that I support the expansion of psychiatric beds at Vista Medical Center West.

- Suicide is the 10th leading cause of death among residents of Lake County
- While we have a 46-bed psychiatric unit at Vista Medical Center West we cannot provide the crisis stabilization needed to help residents of all ages who live in Lake County
- US HealthVest will expand these critical services in our community
- Patients with mental health problems are a growing and national concern
- It is an additional hardship on patients and families if they have to leave Lake County in order to receive treatment or visit a patient who is receiving such treatment

I am grateful that Medical Center West can be expanded to 146 psychiatric beds and I support the Certificate of Need application which will enable that increase.

Sincerely,


Patricia Stern, MSW, LCSW, MBA, PMP, CSM
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November 9, 2017

Courtney Avery, Administrator
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RE: Certificate of Need Application for Vista Medical Center West

Dear Ms. Avery,

There is a critical need for more psychiatric services in Lake County and I support the application to expand the psychiatric services at Vista Medical Center West.

In my experience...

- There is a huge need for better mental health availability in our community today. Many families are suffering with what to do for their loved ones, especially in Lake County, where there is a lack of facilities to help people with mental health issues.
- I have family members who suffer mentally and wish there were more options and better programming in our Lake County community.
- I talk to many families through my position as a sales counselor at a Senior Living community who could use more mental health services in Lake County.

Thank you for approving this application, it is crucial to the health of our community.

Sincerely,



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Business Development Coordinator
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