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Re: Riverside Ambulatory Surgery Center
Project 19-009

Dear Ms. Avery:

I am writing to you on behalf of the Kankakee County Board in support of the application of Riverside Ambulatory Surgery Centers (RASC) application to add orthopedic surgery to the services it provides. RASC has provided high quality, cost effective surgical care to the residents of our county for more than fifteen years.

With the arrival of the Riverside Orthopedic Specialists group to the area, their ability to offer orthopedic procedures in a surgery center adjacent to their offices will provide convenient, high quality and lower cost care in one location that is close to our county residents' homes.

I recommend without hesitation the application of RASC to add orthopedic surgery to its list of available services and respectfully request the Board take favorable action on their request at the June hearing.

Sincerely,

Andy Wheeler
Chairman