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**Re: Closure of Pediatric Beds at Advocate Good Samaritan Hospital**

Dear Ms. Senger,

On January 15, 2019, the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board granted Advocate Good Samaritan Hospital a certificate of exemption to discontinue its Pediatrics Category of Service. (See letter attached.) The discontinuation was based on declining admissions with only 114 patients in 2017. The certificate of exemption stated that the category of service would end by April 26, 2019.

In recent weeks the hospital has experienced a loss of pediatric credentialed nurses. As a result, the Women and Children's leadership team and medical staff leadership have determined the hospital will not be able to safely staff the pediatric inpatient unit as of February 16, 2019, earlier than expected.

Arrangements have been made with the Emergency Department regarding how to handle pediatric patients who present there. The medical staff has been informed of the accelerated closure. Eighteen hospitals in the service area offer pediatric inpatient care and were notified of this pending discontinuation. No hospital expressed any concern about the closure.

If there is anything else you need regarding this change in service, you may discuss this with Sonja Reece, Director of Health Facilities Planning, at (309) 268-5482. I can be reached at (630) 275-1121.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nancy M. Tinsley".

Nancy M. Tinsley, RN, MBA, FACHE  
President

✓ cc: Mike Constantino, Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board.



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January 17, 2019

Nancy Tinsley, President  
Advocate Good Samaritan Hospital  
3815 Highland Avenue  
Downers Grove, Illinois 60515

**RE: Discontinuation Exemption**  
Exemption: E-066-18, Advocate Good Samaritan Hospital, Downers Grove, Illinois  
Exemption Holder: Advocate Health and Hospitals Corporation d/b/a Advocate Good Samaritan Hospital, Advocate Health Care Network and Advocate Aurora Health, Inc., Advocate Health and Hospitals Corporation d/b/a Advocate Good Samaritan Hospital  
Site Owner: Advocate Health and Hospitals Corporation d/b/a Advocate Good Samaritan Hospital  
Entity to be Licensed: Advocate Health and Hospitals Corporation d/b/a Advocate Good Samaritan Hospital

Dear Ms. Tinsley:

On January 15, 2019, the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board (State Board) approved your request for a discontinuation. This approval was based on the application's compliance with applicable provisions of 77 ILAC 1130 and 20 ILCS 3960. The discontinuation is for the discontinuation of a 7-bed pediatric Category of service. The beds will be converted to the medical surgical category of service. (now 152 M/S beds, 44 ICU beds, 11 NICU beds, 36 OB beds, 41 AMI beds = 284 beds)

Pursuant to Section 1130.570(c), within 90 days of the discontinuation, the exemption holder must submit a report certifying the date that the discontinuation was complete. Exemption holders that do not submit a timely completion report may be subject to penalties, including monetary fines. This letter serves as the State Board's formal request for the report.

Please be advised that the Exemption is not transferable or assignable and that the State Board's approval does not exempt the transaction from any other regulatory, certification or licensure requirements that may be applicable prior to this acquisition.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mike Constantino or George Roate at 217-782-3516.

Sincerely,

Courtney Avery, Administrator

Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board