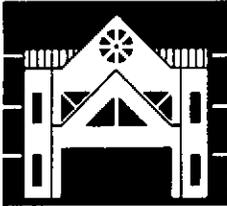


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Donna Kersting
Hand Surgery Associates
515 W. Algonquin Road
Arlington Heights, IL. 60005

Dear Ms. Kersting,

I regret to inform you that Oak Brook Surgical Centre is **opposed** to the establishment of a limited specialty ambulatory surgical treatment center by the Illinois Hand & Upper Extremity Center, L.L.C.

There is not a need in our HFPB planning area for any additional surgical services in orthopedic surgery. In addition to the multitude of office-based surgical facilities in the area, there are also 45 ambulatory surgical centers offering 149 operating rooms. Our own capacity to serve orthopedic surgical patients has not yet been fully met and the additional provision of services in this planning area would negatively impact the utilization of existing facilities.

The description of the planned surgery center of a total of 6,170 gross square feet to accommodate one operating room and administrative space indicates a large space is planned and suggests that the long term plan is actually for more operating rooms than the original one for which a CON is being sought. The establishment of a facility of 6,170 square feet is not environmentally sound when there is neither current need nor future need in a demographically stable area.

Our facility does hereby **OPPOSE** any plan by the Illinois Hand and Upper Extremity Center, L.L.C. to establish any ambulatory surgical facility as there are sufficient services to meet the needs of patients in our geographic area.

Sincerely,

Ali Nili
Chief Operating Officer

Cc: Illinois Health Facilities Planning Board