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George,

Here is the Physician's letter I talked to you about this morning. If it doesn't come through as needed, I can print it and fax it to you.

Thanks!
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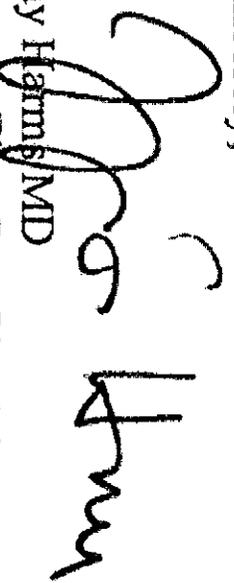
To Whom It May Concern:

We are aware of an application for a Certificate of Need from Proctor Hospital in Peoria. This certificate would be for a new service for the benefit of elderly patients who need acute mental health inpatient care. We also understand that this service unit would be unique to that population because it would also be available to treat the somatic co-morbidities that often occur with patients in this population.

It is my belief that if this service had been available to me and my patients in the last year, I could have referred 40 to that program. I also believe that I will have at least 15 of patients that, if this service is available, I will refer to it this coming year.

There is a definite need for this specialized service in Central Illinois and I am extremely happy to recommend that the Board certify its need.

Sincerely,



Jay Harms MD
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