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November 2, 2012

Ms Courtney Avery, Administrator  
Illinois Health Facilities and  
Services Review Board  
525 West Jefferson  
Springfield, IL 62761

RE: Project # 12-079  
Holy Cross Hospital

Dear Ms. Avery:

As President of the Holy Cross Hospital Medical Staff, I am writing this letter to document support for Holy Cross Hospital becoming a member of Sinai Health System.

The Holy Cross Hospital Medical Staff includes 276 physicians and 25 allied health practitioners. The majority of Holy Cross Hospital physicians are private practice. Our primary goals are to provide high quality patient care and to best serve the medical needs of our patients and their loved ones. It is of great importance that Holy Cross Hospital survives and continues as a foundational pillar for communities with fragile resources. The Medical Staff and our patients rely very heavily on this hospital and the services that it helps us to deliver.

The Sinai Health System Partnership will provide long term support to sustain a very valuable community asset, strengthen the hospital, expand specialty medical care and increase necessary community health services.

I strongly encourage the Illinois Health Facilities and Services review Board to support Holy Cross' desire to join Sinai Health System.

Sincerely,

Satya P. Ahuja, M.D.  
President, Medical Staff

Nancy Streitmatter, MD, FACC  
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October 26, 2012

Ms Courtney Avery, Administrator  
Illinois Health Facilities and  
Services Review Board  
525 West Jefferson  
Springfield, IL 62761

RE: Project # 12 - 079  
Holy Cross Hospital

Dear Ms. Avery:

This letter is being written to document my strong support for Holy Cross Hospital becoming a member of Sinai Health System.

I am Dr. Nancy Streitmatter, an Internal Medicine Specialist and Cardiologist on the Holy Cross Hospital Medical Staff. I have practiced in the community for decades and I have many patients that rely on Holy Cross Hospital for inpatient and outpatient services.

The communities surrounding Holy Cross Hospital have very few health service providers and many community members are uninsured or underinsured. Particularly in emergency, stroke, and cardiac treatment, the proximity of nearby care can make critical differences in quality of life for patients.

The mission of Holy Cross Hospital is very important to me and Sinai Health Systems has a very similar mission of quality and care for the underserved. Sinai Health System has, for decades, been held in high regard for the quality of care that they provide to their patients, and the joining of Holy Cross with Sinai Health System will not only allow Holy Cross to continue to operate a valued resource within our community, but it will strengthen the hospital and necessary community health services.

I urge the Illinois Health Facilities and Services review Board to support Holy Cross' desire to join Sinai Health System.

Sincerely,

  
Nancy Streitmatter  
M.D., F.A.C.C.