



PresenceSM
Saint Francis Hospital

Jeffrey J. Murphy
President and Chief Executive Officer

April 9, 2013

Courtney Avery, Administrator
State of Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street
Springfield, Illinois 62761

Re: PROJECT NUMBER: 12-100
FACILITY NAME: Saint Francis Hospital
**APPLICANTS: Presence Saint Francis Hospital, Provena-Resurrection Health Network
d/b/a Presence Health**

Dear Ms. Avery:

According to 77 Ill. Admin. Code, Section 1130.240, this letter is to inform you that on March 26, 2013, Presence Saint Francis Hospital, Evanston received CON approval to permanently discontinue 100% of its 12 bed Pediatric category of service. Per that approval, Presence Saint Francis Hospital will no longer accept admission of Pediatric patients as of May 31, 2013.

The discontinuation is the result of a historically low census on the pediatrics unit, which has decreased from an average of 2.3 patients a day in 2009 to 1.7 patients per day in 2011, making the continued staffing of a unit impractical. There are numerous hospitals in close proximity to Presence Saint Francis Hospital that provide inpatient pediatrics services, so it is not anticipated that the proposed discontinuation will result in any adverse effect on the service area residents' access to pediatrics services.

Presence Saint Francis Hospital will continue to treat pediatric patients in its Emergency Department on a case by case basis. All children under the age of fifteen treated in the Emergency Department will be transferred to a hospital of the parents' and physicians' choice, when an inpatient admission is required.

Thank you for your continued support of Presence Saint Francis Hospital.

Sincerely,



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The Honorable Robyn Gabel
820 Davis Street, Suite 103
Evanston, Illinois 60201

Dear Representative Gabel:

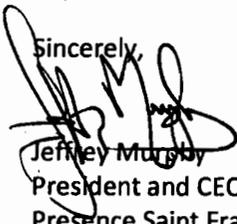
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3706 Dempster Street
Skokie, Illinois 60076

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