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March 10, 2014

Ms. Courtney Avery
Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson, second floor
Springfield, Illinois 62702

**RE: Project 14-003, Centegra Specialty Hospital – Woodstock (South Street)
Project 14-004, Centegra Hospital – Woodstock (Doty Road)**

Dear Ms. Avery:

Please find enclosed a letter of support for projects 14-003 and 14-004.

Sincerely,



Hadley Streng
Director of Planning and Business Development
Centegra Health System

Enclosure



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Ms Courtney Avery, Administrator
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Dear Ms Avery:

I am writing this letter to support the CON application from Centegra Health Systems in McHenry County to move their inpatient psychiatric beds from the Centegra Specialty Hospital to the acute care site at Centegra Hospital (Woodstock). By moving inpatient services to the Woodstock acute care site, Centegra will be able to serve more patients with behavioral health needs; which is a critical need in our community.

My organization (Pioneer Center for Human Services) fully supports the move of the inpatient health services. As a behavioral health organization located in McHenry County, we closely follow the availability of behavioral health services in the county. Ensuring that the county has accessible and available behavioral health services is critical to our organization, the community, and our clients/patients.

Centegra Health System is the only provider of inpatient behavioral health in our community, and works hand-in-hand with the network of behavioral/mental health providers and systems to ensure that adequate services are available. This system has identified that more services and more effective services are needed, and the CON to move inpatient services to the Woodstock centrally located and accessible acute care hospital site will address those identified needs and demand.

In summary, Pioneer Center fully supports the move of the inpatient behavioral health services addressed in the Centegra Hospital Systems CON.

Best Wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Patrick R. Maynard, PhD". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "P".

Patrick Maynard, PhD, President and CEO
Pioneer Center for Human Services