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525 West Jefferson Street, Second Floor
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Re: Project No. 16-011, Northbrook Behavioral Hospital

Dear Ms. Avery:

Please accept the enclosed letter of support from Kimberly Garvey Hoehne, M.A., BCBA, Developmental Specialist, CEO & Clinical Director, KGH Consultation & Treatment, Inc. for the above referenced project.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

John P. Kniery
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January 20, 2016

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RE: US HealthVest's Proposed Behavioral Hospital in Northbrook

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I urge you to support the approval of US HealthVest's behavioral hospital and thank you for your assistance in providing access to care.

Sincerely,

Kim Hoehne

Kimberly Garvey Hoehne, M.A., BCBA
Board Certified Behavior Analyst
Developmental Specialist
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cc: The Board of Trustees, Ms. Sandra Frum, Village President

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Dear Ms. Avery:

Please accept the enclosed letter of support from Amy Saltzman, Administrator, Rosewood Care Center of Northbrook for the above referenced project.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

Amy Saltzman
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Re: Project No. 16-011, Northbrook Behavioral Hospital

Dear Ms. Avery:

Please accept the enclosed (2) letters of support from Mental Health Solutions for the above referenced project.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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RE: Proposed US HealthVest Behavioral Hospital in Northbrook

Date: January 6, 2016

Dear David Schoon,

I am writing you to day in support of US Healthvest's proposed behavioral hospital in Northbrook, IL.

As the Diretor of a multidisciplinary private, group, behavioral healthcare practice with offices throughout the northern suburbs of Chicago, I can attest to the shortage of nearby facilities offering immediate inpatient care to area residents. We find that many current and potential clients are unable to find open beds at nearby inpatient psychiatric and behavioral health facilities and are forced to wait on prohibitively long wait lists for treatment, or else travel great distances to find openings at out-of-state facilities. Others are simply unable to obtain necessary treatment.

I urge you to support the approval of US HealthVest's behavioral hospital, and I thank you for your assistance in providing access to care to the residents of your area.

Sincerely,

Ashley Pasen Shields

Ashley Pasen Shields, Director
Mental Health Solutions

cc: The Board of Trustees, Ms. Sandra Frum, Village President

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Sincerely,

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Mental Health Solutions, President and Licensed Clinical Psychologist

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Re: Project No. 16-011, Northbrook Behavioral Hospital

Dear Ms. Avery:

Please accept the enclosed (4) letters of support from NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) for the above referenced project.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

John P. Kniery
Health Care Consultant

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January 7, 2016

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RE: US HealthVest's Proposed Behavioral Hospital in Northbrook

Dear Mr. Schoon,

This letter is in support of US HealthVest's proposed behavioral hospital in Northbrook. There is an unmet need in the surrounding area for specialized psychiatric services that is resulting in patients being deferred or denied treatment. Approval of US HealthVest's application will increase access to these important services.

NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness), Cook County North Suburban, is the local affiliate that services the Northbrook area. We are acutely aware of the need for additional psychiatric beds in Northbrook and the surrounding north suburban area. Currently patients are forced to spend upwards of 48 hours in local emergency rooms waiting for a bed to open up. Often times patients are sent to hospitals in Chicago due to the lack of sufficient beds in the northern suburbs of Cook County.

I urge you to support the approval of US HealthVest's behavioral hospital and thank you for your assistance in providing access to care.

Sincerely,

Nancy Carstedt

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Executive Director

Cc: The Board of Trustees, Ms. Sandra Frum, Village President

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January 8, 2016

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RE: US HealthVest's Proposed Behavioral Hospital in Northbrook

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I am writing this letter in support of US Healthvest's proposed behavioral hospital in Northbrook.

There is an unmet need in the surrounding area for specialized psychiatric services that is resulting in patients being deferred or denied treatment. Approval of US HealthVest's application will increase access to these important services.

In line with an unfortunate nationwide trend, from 2005 to 2010, Illinois lost 22% of its Public Psychiatric beds. The ongoing budget impasse has left the community services in a limbo, thus leaving very few alternatives for acute behavioral health care. Here at NAMI DuPage, we see the consequences of these decisions every day -- be it a panicky phone call enquiring about resources or seeing someone well on the path to recovery suffer a relapse.

It is our belief that adequate access to quality clinical care and ongoing support services for the mentally ill population will help communities prosper.

Therefore, I urge you to support the approval of US HealthVest's behavioral hospital and thank you for your assistance in providing access to care.

Sincerely,

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January 11th 2016

Dear Mr. Schoon,

This letter is in support of US Healthvest's proposed behavioral hospital in Northbrook.

Far too many families are waiting far too long, for far too few services. The loss of state-operated and private hospital inpatient beds in the past decade, recent community mental health agency funding cuts, and a shortage of psychiatrists and other mental health professionals have combined to diminish, and in some instances deplete, the pool of mental health resources in many communities.

There is an unmet need in the surrounding area for specialized psychiatric services that is resulting in patients being deferred or denied treatment. Approval of US HealthVest's application will increase access to these important services.

I urge you to support the approval of US HealthVest's behavioral hospital and thank you for your assistance in providing access to care.

Sincerely,

Kimberly Knake
Executive Director
NAMI Metro Suburban

cc: The Board of Trustees, Ms. Sandra Frum, Village President

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January 25, 2016

Courtney Avery, Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
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Springfield, Illinois 62761

RE: US HealthVest's CON Application for a Behavioral Hospital in Northbrook

Dear Ms. Avery,

We, NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Northwest Suburban, write you in support of US HealthVest's application for a behavioral hospital in Northbrook.

As a family support organization, we know that there is an unmet need in the surrounding area for specialized psychiatric services that is resulting in patients being deferred or denied treatment. Community mental health centers are cutting services due to lack of state funding. Those individuals in need of mental health treatment are in need of greater access to a variety of specialized professional services.

We ask you to strongly consider the approval of US HealthVest's application for a behavioral hospital in Northbrook. There is a great need in the area to expand behavioral health services.

Thank you for your assistance in providing access to care.

Sincerely,

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Re: Project No. 16-011, Northbrook Behavioral Hospital

Dear Ms. Avery:

Please accept the enclosed letter of support from Alfa Murphy, Practice Manager, Associates in Behavioral Science for the above referenced project.

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Sincerely,

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January 5, 2016

Mr. David Schoon
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RE: US HealthVest's Proposed Behavioral Hospital in Northbrook

Dear Mr. Schoon,

This letter is in support of US Healthvest's proposed behavioral hospital in Northbrook.

There is clearly a need in the north suburban area for specialized psychiatric services that is resulting in patients being deferred or denied treatment, or to travel unreasonable distances for care. Approval of US HealthVest's application will increase access to these important services.

Our inpatient psychiatric practice hospitalizes between 2,000-2,400 patients per year from all over Illinois including many patients presented for hospitalization from the northern suburbs, all the way north to the state line; Northbrook included. Illinois has a bed distribution problem. Under the circumstances, with the lack of psychiatric care in your area, our psychiatrists often have to bring a patient down to the western suburbs for care, e.g. Berwyn at MacNeal, Forest Park at Riveredge or Glendale Heights at GlenOaks. This makes little sense to take someone so far from their community for care. We have often wished there was a psychiatric option in your area, to the point where at one time several years ago, we attempted to put a group of investors together to build one in Lincolnshire. Suffice it to say, having psychiatric beds in Northbrook, to serve the north shore and northwest suburbs is sorely needed and will be successful. We would support it, rather than bring referrals to us so far away from home.

Associate in Behavioral Science fully supports this project and urge you to support the approval of US HealthVest's behavioral hospital and thank you for your assistance in providing access to care.

Sincerely,

Alfa Murphy

Alfa Murphy
Practice Manager

cc: The Board of Trustees, Ms. Sandra Frum, Village President