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October 17, 2013

Ms. Courtney Avery  
Administrator  
Illinois Health Facilities and  
Services Review Board  
525 West Jefferson Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Springfield, Illinois 62761

Re: Project No. E 22-13, Affiliation between Methodist Health Services  
Corporation & Proctor Health Care Incorporation (Proctor Hospital)

Dear Courtney,

I am writing on behalf of HealthLink, Inc. regarding the proposed affiliation between Methodist Health Services Corporation ("Methodist") and Proctor Health Care Incorporation ("Proctor"). HealthLink has no objection to the proposed affiliation; or to the Review Board's approval of the Certificate of Exemption for the proposed affiliation between Methodist and Proctor.

Sincerely,

Mark Haegele



October 14, 2013

Ms. Courtney Avery  
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Springfield, IL 62761

Re: Project No. E 22-13, Affiliation between Methodist Health Services  
Corporation & Proctor Health Care Incorporation (Proctor Hospital)

Dear Ms. Avery:

The purpose of this letter is to express the support of Coventry Health Care of Illinois, Inc. ("Coventry") for the proposed affiliation between Methodist Health Services Corporation ("Methodist") and Proctor Health Care Incorporation ("Proctor").

It is Coventry's belief that the affiliation will: (a) result in measurable benefits to consumers and payers through quality improvements, development of new services, enhanced competition, efficiency enhancements and other potential cost savings; (b) expand access to affordable healthcare services in the community; (c) allow Methodist and Proctor to work together to develop viable responses to the rapidly changing market impacting health care delivery systems, including federal health care reform legislation, reductions in reimbursement and movement toward global and full-risk payment models; (d) advance excellence in clinical innovations, access, services, quality, cost, outcomes, and medical education for both Methodist and Proctor; and (e) expand medical education opportunities in the community and assist in the development and training of much needed physicians and other health care professionals. Moreover, Coventry has been informed that Proctor is experiencing a rapidly deteriorating financial state and faces the likelihood of failure or restructuring but for the affiliation. The planned affiliation will maintain the community's health care assets and preserve local access to providers and services at Proctor.

For all of these reasons, Coventry respectfully encourages the Review Board to approve the Certificate of Exemption for the proposed affiliation between Methodist and Proctor.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Frank D'Antonio", is written over a large, loopy scribble.

Frank D'Antonio  
President