

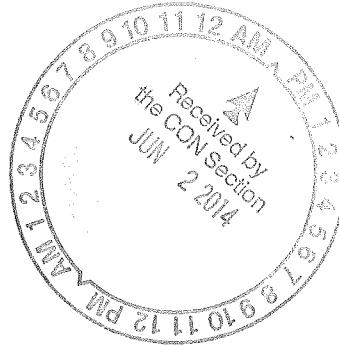


Duke University Hospital
DUKE UNIVERSITY HEALTH SYSTEM

Patient Transfer Letter of Intent

April 8, 2014

Ms. Martha Frisone, Interim Chief
Certificate of Need Section
Division of Health Service Regulation
North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
809 Ruggles Drive
Raleigh, NC 27603



Dear Ms. Frisone,

I have been informed that DaVita HealthCare Partners Inc., operating as DVA Healthcare Renal Care, Inc. d/b/a East Durham Dialysis, is submitting a Certificate of Need application to the State of North Carolina to develop a new ten-station ESRD outpatient facility in Eastern Durham County. Duke University Hospital has patient transfer agreements with other DVA Healthcare Renal Care facilities in Durham County, and we would anticipate entering into a similar agreement for the proposed Eastern Durham County facility if DVA Healthcare Renal Care is issued a Certificate of Need.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kevin W. Sowers".

Kevin W. Sowers, MSN, RN, FAAN
President, Duke University Hospital

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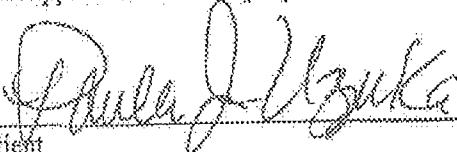
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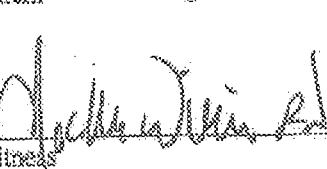
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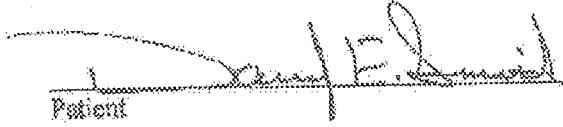
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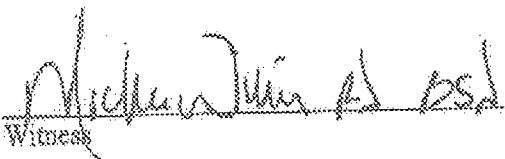
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Walter E Johnson
Patient

5-15-14
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Karen
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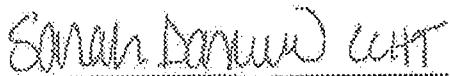
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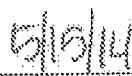
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