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## To Whom It May Concern:

I am a Nephrologist in Durham and heard of this petition. I do not believe that such a facility could be managed with adequate quality given the complexities of dialysis care with the same care that is given in outpatient dialysis units. It takes months of training for staff to be able to start working in a facility and years to be able to safely care for patients appropriately and safely, managing other staff members. Given staff turnover, having adequate trained staff if difficult and likely impossible in a SNF setting. Medical Director supervision of all aspects of care is critical, and unclear how that might be achieved in this new setting.

Thank you for your attention.

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