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To whom this concerns.

This is an email opposing Liberty Healthcare to provide hemodialysis services as an additional service for patients in nursing home facilities.

Having been a physician for over twenty years caring for many patients on dialysis and also those that are residents of nursing homes, I feel that it is important to provide high levels of care to this vulnerable population. My concern that providing dialysis to patients in the facility would fragment their care and not allow the same attention to detail that would be afforded to them in a dialysis facility. The staff in dialysis facilities have undergone rigorous training to respond to the patients needs and ensure that safety of the patient is one of the highest priorities. They are also supervised and undergo ongoing education and training to adjust to the dialysis environment.

I would hope that this population will continue to receive the high quality of care that they have previously enjoyed and that the proposal submitted by Liberty Healthcare is declined

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