



February 23, 2012

Linda Huynh
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Texas Health and Human Services Commission
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Re: Proposed new RHP alignment

Dear Ms. Huynh,

I represent Red River Regional Hospital, located in Bonham, Fannin County, Texas. We are a small, for-profit, Critical Access Hospital, and the only hospital located in Fannin County. In the "Preliminary" Regional Healthcare Partnership Regions that the State recently sent out for feedback, you have Fannin County currently included in Region 1, which includes all of Northeast Texas. We have virtually nothing to do with the majority of the counties or Health Care facilities you have listed in Region 1, and we are much more closely aligned with Grayson and Collin Counties, as the vast majority of our hospital patient referrals are sent to facilities in Denison, Sherman, McKinney and Plano. Consequently, we wish to be removed from the proposed Region 1, and included in the new RHP Region that has been proposed by County Judge, Keith Self, of Collin County.

His proposal would create a new North Central Texas RHP Region, and would include the following thirteen (13) counties: Cooke, Grayson, Denton, Wise, Rockwall, Fannin, Hunt, Lamar, Delta, Collin, Jack, Montague, and Hopkins.

I have included a separate attachment which depicts this new proposed RHP Region. The counties in this proposed new Region are highlighted in Green.

Please let me know, if you need any additional information from us, related to this matter.

Sincerely,

Jay J. Hodges, CFO

Attachment

Cc: Keith Self, County Judge, Collin County