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Good afternoon, Cheryl ...

It won't come as any surprise to you that the winds of change are blowing hard in regards to the evolution of the 1115 waiver and all of its moving parts. Apparently, there was a meeting in Dallas yesterday involving all of the major healthcare systems in the metroplex, wherein the changing landscape of UPL and the 1115 waiver program led everyone to the conclusion that we can now support Tenet/Centennial's proposal in Collin County as amended. Below is the excerpted and highlighted message that Joe Thomason just sent out at 1:57 PM today to the other hospital CEOs in Collin County, on which I and THR have unambiguously signed off to support:

"I want to provide an update to those who attended the meeting last month (February 9, 2012) to discuss Centennial Medical Center's ("CMC") proposed partnership with Collin County regarding:

- o Indigent Care Affiliation Agreement
- o Expense alleviation for indigent care residents

"As suggested and agreed to at the February 9th meeting, the CFO/Finance representatives from each system (Baylor, HCA, Methodist, THR and Tenet) met to discuss, review and consent to Centennial's proposed partnership with Collin County. At this meeting the following was agreed:

- o Centennial Medical Center ("CMC") will seek to present an indigent care affiliation agreement in an open meeting of the Collin County Commissioners' Court in the month of March.
- o However, prior to presenting such agreement, CMC will amend the Collin County Indigent Care Affiliation Agreement to strike the following phrase:
 - Admission of New Hospital: ~~Upon the prior written consent of the Affiliated Hospital,~~ The County may amend this Agreement to add one or more hospitals. A copy of any such amendment shall be provided to each party to this Agreement at the address set forth in Section 4.4 below.

In addition to the above, CMC will also do the following:

- Ø Keep the Collin County hospital Chief Executive Officers and the Financial Officers of the respective hospital systems (i.e., see System Financial Officers as cc'd on prior email listed below) apprised of any changes to the scope of the collaboration between Collin County and CMC;
- Ø Hold a meeting in the summer 2012 (or sooner if necessary) with the CEOs of such hospitals and/or their respective system Financial Officers to provide an update of the collaboration between Collin County and CMC.

"I appreciate the time devoted to the meetings and discussions by all individuals. Centennial's proposed partnership with Collin County regarding indigent care is on the Collin County Commissioners Court agenda for Monday, March 5, 2012. Thank you again for your time and please don't hesitate to contact me should you have further questions."

Thank you to you and your colleagues on the Commissioners Court for being responsive to our earlier concerns about a non-inclusive process that was originally based on flawed assumptions by Tenet. We have collectively gotten to the right answer the right way, and did so timely as well.

Respectfully,

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