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Via Electronic Mail Only

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Re: Delivery regarding Prospect Medical Holdings, Inc.; Prospect East Holdings, Inc.; Prospect CharterCARE, LLC; Prospect CharterCARE SJHSRI, LLC; Prospect CharterCARE RWMC, LLC; The Centurion Foundation, Inc.; CharterCARE Health of Rhode Island, Inc.; CharterCARE Roger Williams Medical Center; CharterCARE Our Lady of Fatima Hospital

Dear Attorney Rocha,

We have received a delivery from Prospect Medical Holdings, Inc.; Prospect East Holdings, Inc.; Prospect CharterCARE, LLC; Prospect CharterCARE SJHSRI, LLC; Prospect CharterCARE RWMC, LLC; The Centurion Foundation, Inc.; CharterCARE Health of Rhode Island, Inc.; CharterCARE Roger Williams Medical Center; and CharterCARE Our Lady of Fatima Hospital, regarding a proposed hospital conversion, which was received by the Rhode Island Department of Health ("RIDOH") and the Office of the Attorney General ("RIAG") on May 26, 2023.

Unfortunately, it appears that the materials do not constitute an Initial Application pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 23-17.14-6 because they do not consist of the current, required version of the application as prescribed by RIDOH and RIAG, which has been available on the RIDOH's website,¹ and it does not contain Appendix F, as required. Question 66 of the initial application specifically references the questions contained in Appendix F, and the instructions and cover sheet

¹ "Initial Application" (2023),

https://health.ri.gov/applications/HospitalConversionOrMerger.pdf.

for appendices expressly state the requirement that all appendices be submitted. Our offices received no requests for the most current version of the application or Appendix F from your office or any of the parties listed above. Furthermore, in a letter, dated March 13, 2023, RIDOH proactively provided you with the most current version of the Initial Application form in anticipation of an application submission in accordance with the Hospital Conversions Act.

We have attached the most current, publicly available version of the initial application as well as Appendix F here for your convenience. We look forward to receiving an Initial Application at a future date. As for the RIAG, you may submit an electronic-only copy of your application, as stated on the cover sheet of the current application form.

Sincerely,

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