

## COMMENT ON PROPOSED HOSPITALS

Name:

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Do you represent an organization? If yes, please specify:

No

Proposed hospital(s) that you would like to share comments. Please select all that apply:

Regency Hospital and Nobis Rehabilitation

Whether the proposed new hospitals are needed to provide timely access to care:

If a private business wants to expand or contract their business letting market forces provide the answer to said product or service, I say let them expand. Get rid of the Hospital Moratorium, monopoly on Medical Care in Minnesota.

The financial impact of the new hospitals on existing hospitals that have emergency departments:

Competitions is good and will make the existing ED step up their game on the services they provide. The financial impact will be that a good product may be replaced by a better product as with technology or the existing product will continue to serve at the will of the customer depending on the quality of the product.

How new hospitals would affect the ability of existing hospitals to maintain staff:

Employees will have a choice to get a new, different job or potentially one that provides a better model for profit and thus a better way of life for the employees. The existing employer may even increase their wage to retain them with the new hospital competition. Good options for those who want to stay or move to a new career.

**The extent to which the new hospitals would provide services to nonpaying or low-income patients.:**

This is a bizarre statement when it comes to a business and it's financial stability. How can any business model survive on nonpaying or low-income. Everyone should be made to pay something otherwise the cost of services goes up and there is not check on abuse of medical care.

**Please share other thoughts on the proposals including, but not limited to, views on new models of for-profit care in Minnesota:**

I support for-profit care in Minnesota. We need to get back to a model where patients pay something towards the services provided to improve the medical service model for every patient in Minnesota. Undo the Hospital Moratorium in Minnesota. Respectfully.