

**Minutes**  
**Operating Board of Directors**  
**DeKalb County Rehab & Nursing Center**  
**November 14, 2012**

Present: Directors: Andersen, Bannon, Klein, Shepard, Casella  
Absent Directors: Deverell, Nielsen  
Also Present: C. Andersen, Buffenbarger

Chair Casella called the meeting to order at 7:05 am.

The agenda was approved.

The September 2012 minutes were reviewed and approved.

**Old Business:** None

New Business

**Management Report:**

Buffenbarger reported that census is stable at 90% occupancy. The payer mix also remains stable with Medicare at 15%, Medicaid at 60% and Private Pay at 24%. Financial results have also stabilized with the consistent census and resolution of our Medicaid funding. Medicaid is now paid in about 60-days which is a dramatic improvement.

Our efforts recently have centered on contract review where we have made several improvements, netting significant savings this year for DCRNC. The combination of our pharmacy credit, adjusting how we order food, and changing our medical waste vendor has reduced expenses. We continue this effort as food costs can be better controlled by working with area physicians to liberalize resident diets, offering residents food based on preferences rather than strict medical direction. In addition, DCRNC will conduct a pharmacy RFP in the coming months to review whether we have the best pricing and to learn about technological advances in medication delivery.

Buffenbarger reviewed the MPA Compliance Program and other solutions to the pending March 23, 2013 deadline for DCRNC to have a Compliance Program in place. DCRNC has two choices in how they can address this new requirement: hire a staff member to draft and manage the program or use a consulting firm. A staff member is considerably more expensive than a consulting firm. Champaign County conducted a review of consulting firms to determine the best value in development and management of a compliance program. They found MPA to have the best service at the most competitive price

Motion by Andersen, second by Bannon to engage MPA in the development of a Compliance Program with the caveat that this agreement will be reviewed annually. Unanimously approved. Klein asked that the minutes reflect he finds the new requirement and related expenses ridiculous.

**Next Meeting:** January 16, 2013 at 7:00 a.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted.

Andrew Buffenbarger  
Recording Secretary