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Brackbill, Robert

From: B D [dile513@msn.com]
Sent: Tuesday, April 09, 2013 1:10 PM
To: Brackbill, Robert
Cc: Barb D; Renee
Subject: Highmark - WPAGH Merger Comments

Dear Mr. Brackbill,

As a concerned citizen of Pennsylvania, I respectfully urge you approve the proposed merger of Highmark and WPAGH. The only other choice that we in Western Pennsylvania have in healthcare is with a elite oligarchy which can make direct patient care quite impersonal.

On the other hand, I was hospitalized at Allegheny General Hospital, part of the WPAGH system for a single cardiac bypass last August and found the care there to be excellent. From my surgeon, Dr McGregor, to my cardiologist, Dr. Ismail, to the countless nurses and technicians and cleaning staff throughout the 24 hr day, efforts were made to stabilize and start the healing process with professionalism and genuine concern.

I have lived all my life knowing and relying on this neighborhood hospital and now commend this Highmark/WPAGH merger which plans to continue community-based care into the suburbs.

Thank you for this opportunity to speak my mind.

Sincerely,
Barbara Dilettuso
In God We Trust

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