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Marc P. Volavka  
Executive Director  
PA Health Care Cost Containment Council  
225 Market Street, Suite 400  
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Dear Mr. Volavka:

Forbes Regional Hospital and Medical Staff are pleased to have the opportunity to comment on the Pennsylvania Health Care Cost Containment Council's 1999 C-Section Deliveries.

Forbes Regional Hospital and Medical Staff feel that our review of this data indicated that appropriate and high quality care was provided for all patients in the categories contained in this report.

Through our active Performance Improvement Program it is evident by our outstanding outcomes in the areas of C-Section Rate, VBAC Rate, Charges and LOS that we are a leader in this medical specialty. Forbes Regional Hospital and Medical Staff are committed to working together in continually evaluating the care we provide our patients and we support the work of the Pennsylvania Health Care Cost Containment Council to share this information with the residents of our state.

Sincerely,

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