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Patrick M. Bresnan, MBA, Executive Director

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The Honorable Robert Williams
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RE: Request for Pee Dee Mental Health Center – Darlington Clinic

Our Mission at Pee Dee MHC is to support the recovery of people with mental illnesses that reside in Florence, Darlington, and Marion Counties. We offer mental health services to individuals and families of all ages. The majority of services are provided by a Master's Level prepared Mental Health Professionals that include, but not limited to; Assessments, Individual Therapy, Family Therapy, Group Therapy, and Rehabilitative Services. Patients also receive Psychiatric Diagnosis Medical Evaluations by Medical Doctors and Advanced Practice Registered Nurses, as well as Nursing Services and Injection Administration by Registered Nurses. We treat patients using Evidence Based Practices and have several specialized programs, such as Intensive Community Treatment, Individual Placement & Support, First Episode Psychosis, and School Mental Health to name a few. As a community provider of outpatient mental health care to adults, children, and families in the rural service area, we are a well-known and a most reputable healthcare provider. Our caring staff of psychiatrists, nurses, and therapists treated more than 4,000 patients in fiscal year 2022, including more than 1,500 children.

The Center is interested in constructing a permanent outpatient facility in Darlington County. The current cost to construct a community mental health clinic is estimated at \$4 Million.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me and our team at Pee Dee Mental Health.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Patrick M. Bresnan".

Patrick Bresnan, MBA
Executive Director
Pee Dee Mental Health Center