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[Feds Yank Funding From Another Chicago Nursing Home With A Troubled Past](#)

Less than a week after federal and state funding was pulled from Somerset Place, officials have moved westward to the Fox River Pavilion in their crackdown of poor nursing home care in the Chicagoland area. Fox River Pavilion has received much scrutiny lately after reports of violence at the facility. On December 17th, a patient at the Aurora, IL nursing home was killed in a fight with another patient.

Under-staffing was a primary reason why officials chose to pull funding from this facility. A patient at Fox River told authorities, "Like today, you see there is really no staff around. There have been days, no staff present."

Furthermore, in the course of conducting its survey of the the facility, the Illinois Department of Public Health, Fox River Pavilion was home to 26 convicted felons.

Is pulling funding the appropriate response to nursing home troubles?

For most facilities, pulling federal and / or state funding effectively means closing down the facility due to the fact that governmental funding provides a substantial portion of the facilities operating budget. Of course its easy to say goodbye and good riddance to poorly performing facilities, but the real losers in these situations are the patients who will be forced to relocate to other facilities ... hopefully. Where will these patients go?

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