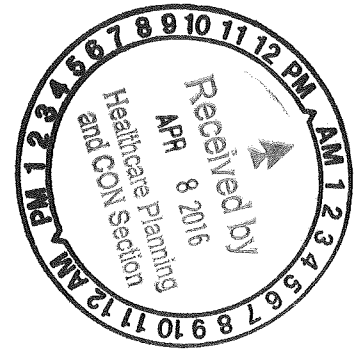


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Ms. Martha Frisone, Assistant Chief, Certificate of Need
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Dear Ms. Frisone:

I am writing this letter as a local oral and maxillofacial surgeon **against** the Surgical Center for Dental Professionals of Raleigh's certificate of need application to develop a freestanding ambulatory surgery center dedicated to profiteering on the local government and insurance company by the provision of dental procedures for patients requiring sedation. The proposed dental ASC will **hinder** the dental professionals in our community by acting as a private for profit agent in an already saturated dental community. The private players involved with this investment aim to corner the dental market by monopolizing on status and accreditation in order to block competitors.

Simply, the main actor only vision is to inundate the market with his dental implants. To confirm, web search his name and review his website. The proposed site has very little ambulatory care function and more space dedicated to elective and cosmetic procedures such as placement of dental implants.

My stance on the Surgical Center for Dental Professionals of Raleigh's project as follows:

I am fully **against** the proposed project as there are private investors who are only interested in their financial gains at the cost of the NC state citizens and government.

Of concern, the main actor has sent out a blanket email to several thousand dentists in our state asking for support. This was sent through docusign which prompts for a signature in support of the project before one is able to review the document. I believe this to be an unethical and sneaky move in hopes to get support for the project. Please beware of multiple generic support letters in which the dentist may not have known was signed on his or her behalf.

Please let me know if I can be of further assistance in your efforts.

Sincerely,
Nazir Ahmad, DDS, MPH
Signature: