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August 18, 2016

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Exempt from Review – Acquisition of Facility

Record #:

2020

Facility Name:

Hospice of McDowell County

Type of Facility:

Hospice

FID#:

944473

Acquisition by:

Community CarePartners, Inc.

Business #:

2394

County:

McDowell

Dear Mr. Leandro:

The Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section, Division of Health Service Regulation (Agency) determined that based on your letter of August 1, 2016, the above referenced proposal is exempt from certificate of need review in accordance with G.S 131E-184(a)(8). Therefore, Community CarePartners, Inc. may proceed to acquire the above referenced health service facility without first obtaining a certificate of need. However, you need to contact the Agency's Acute and Home Care Licensure and Certification Section to obtain instructions for changing ownership of the existing facility. Note that pursuant to G.S. 131E-181(b): "A recipient of a certificate of need, or any person who may subsequently acquire, in any manner whatsoever permitted by law, the service for which that certificate of need was issued, is required to materially comply with the representations made in its application for that certificate of need."

It should be noted that this Agency's position is based solely on the facts represented by you and that any change in facts as represented would require further consideration by this Agency and a separate determination. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

Julie Halatek Project Analyst

Julie Halatek

Martha J. Frisone

Assistant Chief, Certificate of Need

cc:

Acute and Home Care Licensure and Certification Section, DHSR Paige Bennett, Assistant Chief, Healthcare Planning, DHSR

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VIA U.S. MAIL AND ELECTRONIC MAIL

Martha Frisone, Assistant Chief Health Planning and Certificate of Need Section North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services 2704 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-2704 Martha.Frisone@dhhs.nc.gov

Re:

Request for No Review Determination

Dear Ms. Frisone:

This letter is intended to provide notice to the Certificate of Need Section that our client Community CarePartners, Inc. ("CarePartners) is planning to acquire the Medicare certified hospice agency owned by Hospice of McDowell County, Inc., which is located in McDowell County, North Carolina. CarePartners intends to acquire the hospice through an asset contribution agreement and expects that this transaction will close on or around October 1, 2016.

CarePartners requests that the CON Section confirm that this acquisition is not subject to Certificate of Need ("CON") review under N.C.G.S. § 131E-184(a)(8) and issue a written determination so that the change of ownership may proceed without review.

I greatly appreciate your attention to this matter. If you have any questions, please feel free to give me a call.

Sincerely,

Robert A. Leandro

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