

# North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Division of Health Service Regulation

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September 13, 2016

Ruth C. Schwartz Kindred at Home 12900 Foster St., Suite 400 Overland Park, KS 66213

Exempt from Review - Acquisition of Facility

Record #:

2044

Facility Name:

HealthKeeperz, Inc.

Type of Facility:

Home health

FID#:

925074

Acquisition by:

KAH Development 10, LLC

County:

Robeson

Dear Ms. Schwartz:

The Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section, Division of Health Service Regulation (Agency) determined that based on your letter dated August 18, 2016 and received on August 22, 2016, the above referenced proposal is exempt from certificate of need review in accordance with G.S 131E-184(a)(8). Therefore, KAH Development 10, LLC 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 & (Section Name) 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,

Tanya S. Rupp Project Analyst Martha I Frisone

Assistant Chief, Certificate of Need

cc:

Construction Section, DHSR

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



## Rupp, Tanya

From:

Frisone, Martha

Sent:

Thursday, September 01, 2016 11:24 AM

To:

'Schwartz, Ruth'; Combs, Janet

Cc:

Rupp, Tanya

Subject:

RE: Request for CON Non-Reviewability Determination

Yes, your explanation was just what we needed.

## Martha J. Frisone

Assistant Chief Certificate of Need

Division of Health Service Regulation, Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services

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From: Schwartz, Ruth [mailto:Ruth.Schwartz@gentiva.com]

Sent: Thursday, September 01, 2016 11:18 AM

To: Frisone, Martha; Combs, Janet Cc: Rupp, Tanya; Hemphill, Alicia

Subject: RE: Request for CON Non-Reviewability Determination

### Good Morning Martha,

The buyer, KAH Development 10, LLC, is a Kindred at Home subsidiary. The letter was signed by me as the Assistant Vice President, Licensing & Certification, for all of Kindred at Home's subsidiaries, including "KAH Development 10, LLC." There is no legal entity by the name "Kindred at Home." Rather, "Kindred at Home" is a trade name used by 99% of our subsidiaries, including the buyer entity, KAH Development 10, LLC.

I hope the above explanation provides sufficient clarification; however, if not please let me know.

Regards, Ruth

### Ruth C. Schwartz

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**From:** Frisone, Martha [mailto:martha.frisone@dhhs.nc.gov]

Sent: Thursday, September 01, 2016 9:18 AM

To: Combs, Janet

Cc: Schwartz, Ruth; Rupp, Tanya; Hemphill, Alicia

Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Request for CON Non-Reviewability Determination

Pursuant to G.S. 131E-184(a), notice of a proposal to acquire an existing health service facility must be provided by the <u>buyer</u>. I am confused about why an agent of a company named Kindred at Home is writing a letter about a proposal whereby a company named KAH Development 10, LLC would acquire the HealthKeeperz, Inc. facility in Robeson County.

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From: Combs, Janet [mailto:Janet.Combs@gentiva.com]

Sent: Thursday, September 01, 2016 9:58 AM

To: Rupp, Tanya; Frisone, Martha

Cc: Schwartz, Ruth

Subject: Request for CON Non-Reviewability Determination

Tanya / Martha:

The attached request for CON Non-Reviewability determination was sent via overnight mail on August 18, 2016.

Would you please be so kind as to provide us with an idea of when we might expect to receive the determination response letter?

Thank you!

#### **Janet Combs**

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**Attachments:** 

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August 18, 2016

### **VIA OVERNIGHT MAIL SERVICE**

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Healthcare Planning

Ms. Martha Frisone, Assistant Chief Ms. Tanya Rupp, Project Analyst Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Division of Health Service Regulation 809 Ruggles Drive, Edgerton Bldg. Raleigh, NC 27603

NR 12 2044

RE:

Transfer of Ownership Notice -HealthKeeperz, Inc. 812 Candy Park Road, Suite 6101-B Pembroke, NC Facility ID: 925074 License # HC1185

Dear Mses. Frisone and Rupp:

Please accept this written request for a determination from the Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section (the "CON Section") of exemption from certificate of need ("CON") review in accordance with N.C.G.S. 131E-184(a)(8) for the acquisition of an existing health care facility providing home health services.

HealthKeeperz, Inc. ("Seller") owns and operates a state-licensed and Medicare-approved home health agency located at the above address. Through a limited asset purchase transaction, KAH Development 10, LLC ("Buyer") will become the prospective new owner and operator of the Seller's home health business. The proposed transfer of ownership is expected to be completed on or after October 1, 2016.

In addition, Buyer has reviewed the CON originally issued in 1999 for this home health agency. Buyer will continue to serve the population described in the conditions to that CON.

Whereas the proposed transfer of ownership will not constitute the development of a new institutional health services, I am respectfully requesting the CON Section to issue an exemption from certificate-ofneed review based on the facts represented in this letter. Please forward the CON Section's response to the undersigned at your earliest convenience via email or fax.

Ms. Martha Frisone, Assistant Chief Ms. Tanya Rupp, Project Analyst Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section August 18, 2016 Page No. 2

Thanking you in advance for your assistance and timely response. Please contact the undersigned if you should require any additional information before rendering a final decision.

Best Regards,

Ruth C. Schwartz

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