

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION OF HEALTH SERVICE REGULATION

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September 13, 2017

Cheryl Richardson Martin General Hospital PO Box 1128 Williamston, NC 28792

No Review

Record #:

2379

Facility Name:

Martin General Hospital

FID#:

943328

Business Name:

Williamston Hospital Corporation

Business #:

2707

Project Description:

Temporarily use six acute care rooms for outpatient infusion and emergency

department extended stay

County:

Martin

Dear Ms. Richardson:

The Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section, Division of Health Service Regulation (Agency) received your letter of September 7, 2017 regarding the above referenced proposal. Based on the CON law **in effect on the date of this response to your request,** the proposal described in your correspondence is not governed by, and therefore, does not currently require a certificate of need. However, please note that if the CON law is subsequently amended such that the above referenced proposal would require a certificate of need, this determination does not authorize you to proceed to develop the above referenced proposal when the new law becomes effective.

However, you need to contact the Agency's Acute Care Licensure and Certification Section and the Construction Section to determine if they have any requirements for development of the proposed project.

It should be noted that this determination is binding only for the facts represented in your correspondence. Consequently, if changes are made in the project or in the facts provided in your correspondence referenced above, a new determination as to whether a certificate of need is

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required would need to be made by this office. Changes in a project include, but are not limited to: (1) increases in the capital cost; (2) acquisition of medical equipment not included in the original cost estimate; (3) modifications in the design of the project; (4) change in location; and (5) any increase in the number of square feet to be constructed.

Please contact this office if you have any questions. Also, in all future correspondence you should reference the Facility ID # (FID) if the facility is licensed.

Sincerely,

ne Rhoe-Jones Martha J. Frisone, Chief

Project Analyst Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section

cc: Construction Section, DHSR

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

Effective January 01, 2017, this license is issued to Williamston Hospital Corporation

to operate a hospital known as Martin General Hospital

located in Williamston, North Carolina, Martin County.

This license is issued subject to the statutes of the State of North Carolina, is not transferable and shall remain in effect until amended by the issuing agency.

Facility ID: 943328

License Number: H0078

Bed Capacity: 49

General Acute 49

Dedicated Inpatient Surgical Operating Rooms: 0

Dedicated Ambulatory Surgical Operating Rooms: 0

Shared Surgical Operating Rooms: 2

Dedicated Endoscopy Rooms:

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From:

Richardson, Cheryl L < Cheryl_Richardson@QuorumHealth.com>

Sent:

Thursday, September 07, 2017 5:15 PM

To:

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Cc:

Jacobson, John H; Taffer, Hayley K

Subject:

Martin General Hosptial letter

Attachments:

Letter requesting use of inpt rooms for outpt services_signed.pdf

Jane,

Per our conversation yesterday, I have attached a signed letter to Ms. Frisone, proposing that we start to use six of our licensed inpatient rooms for outpatient services temporarily over the next year while we evaluate volume growth and assess our ongoing needs. Thank you for your assistance in this process.

Please feel free to call or email me with any questions or concerns.

Cheryl

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September 7, 2017

Martha Frisone, Chief, Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need NC Division of Health Service Regulation Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section 2704 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC, 27699-2704

Dear Ms. Frisone,

I am writing on behalf of Williamston Hospital Corporation d/b/a Martin General Hospital located in Martin County. We have recently seen an increase in volumes in both our Outpatient Services and Emergency Departments. Furthermore, there have been significant delays in getting patients transferred to other hospitals when they are in our Emergency Department and require a specialty service that we do not provide. These factors have created significant resource constraints as we only have a 9-bed ED and a 5-bed outpatient services area. While we are experiencing volume growth in these departments, we are not seeing an increase in our overall inpatient average daily census.

Therefore, we would like to use six (6) of our licensed inpatient rooms for outpatient services on a temporary basis over the next year while we evaluate volumes and assess ongoing needs. High quality patient care that is delivered with efficiency continues to be our goal, and we believe that the temporary conversion of these rooms will help us attain our outcomes while also providing patients with the services they need.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions or need any additional information.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Richardson, MPH, BSN, RN, CPPS

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Chief Quality Officer Facility Compliance Officer