



NC DEPARTMENT OF  
**HEALTH AND  
 HUMAN SERVICES**  
 Division of Health Service Regulation

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June 6, 2018

Rick Holmes  
 Carolina Ophthalmology Properties III, LLC  
 1701 Old Village Road  
 Hendersonville, NC 28791

**Exempt from Review**

**Record #:** 2599  
**Business Name:** Carolina Ophthalmology Properties III, LLC  
**Business #:** 2839  
**Project Description:** Develop a medical office building at 2514 Hendersonville Road, Arden, NC 28704  
**County:** Buncombe

Dear Mr. Holmes:

The Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section, Division of Health Service Regulation (Agency), determined that based on your letter of May 25, 2018, the above referenced proposal is exempt from certificate of need review in accordance with N.C. Gen. Stat. §131E-184(a)(9). Therefore, you may proceed to offer, develop or establish the above referenced project without a certificate of need.

However, you need to contact the Agency’s Construction and Acute and Home Care Licensure and Certification Sections 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 by you. 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 required would need to be made by the Agency. 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.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

*Celia C. Inman*  
 Celia C. Inman  
 Project Analyst

*Martha J. Frisone*  
 Martha J. Frisone  
 Chief, Healthcare Planning and  
 Certificate of Need Section

cc: Construction Section, DHSR  
 Acute and Home Care Licensure and Certification Section, DHSR  
 Amy Craddock, Assistant Chief, Healthcare Planning, DHSR

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Martha J. Frisone, Chief  
Healthcare Planning & Certificate of Need Section  
North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services  
Division of Health Service Regulation  
2704 Mail Service Center  
Raleigh, NC 27699-2704

Re: Notice of Exemption for Medical Office Building  
Health Service Area I  
Arden, North Carolina (Buncombe County)

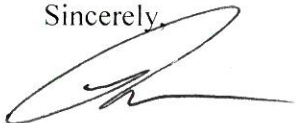
Dear Ms. Frisone:

Carolina Ophthalmology Properties III, LLC is the owner of property located at 2514 Hendersonville Road, Arden, North Carolina 28704 (the "Property"). Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 131E-184(a)(9), this letter serves as prior written notice to the CON Section that Carolina Ophthalmology Properties III, LLC intends to develop a Medical Office Building ("MOB") on the Property. It is anticipated that the MOB will be a 2-story building with each floor consisting of approximately 12,000 square feet. Carolina Ophthalmology Properties III, LLC will incur the cost of site development and building the shell MOB. Carolina Ophthalmology Properties III, LLC will lease space in the MOB to tenants. The tenants will be responsible for the cost of upfitting the space that they lease in the MOB. Carolina Ophthalmology Properties III, LLC will not be offering any "new institutional health services" as that term is defined in N.C. Gen. Stat. § 131E-176(16). The tenants who occupy space in the MOB will be responsible for seeking CON approval for any services that they may offer in the MOB that require CON approval.

Carolina Ophthalmology Properties III, LLC respectfully requests that the CON Section provide written confirmation that the development of the MOB is exempt from CON review. You may send this confirmation to 1701 Old Village Road, Hendersonville, NC, 28791. Please call me at 828-696-4429 should you have any questions.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,



Rick Holmes  
Administrator, Carolina Ophthalmology, PA