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March 27, 2019

Kristy Hubard 2131 S. 17th Street Wilmington, NC 28402

Exempt from Review

Record #:

2879

Facility Name:

New Hanover Regional Medical Center

FID #:

943372

Business Name:

New Hanover Regional Medical Center

Business #:

1308

Project Description:

Renovate two storage rooms in the surgical pavilion at NHRMC to

accommodate relocation of two existing operating rooms (currently used as cysto rooms) and convert the two existing cysto rooms to procedure

rooms

County:

New Hanover

Dear Ms. Hubard:

The Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section, Division of Health Service Regulation (Agency), determined that based on your letter of **March 15**, **2019** the above referenced proposal is exempt from certificate of need review in accordance with N.C. Gen. Stat. §131E-184(g). 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;

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(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,

Tanya M. Saporito Project Analyst

Martha J. Frisone

Chief, Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section

cc:

Construction Section, DHSR

Acute and Home Care Licensure and Certification Section, DHSR



March 15, 2019

Ms. Martha Frisone, Chief
Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section
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RE: Exemption Notice / New Hanover Regional Medical Center / New Hanover County

Dear Ms. Frisone,

The purpose of this letter is to provide notice of a renovation project at New Hanover Regional Medical Center ("NHRMC") and to request confirmation that this project is exempt from certificate of need review. NHRMC anticipates that it will spend more than \$2.0 million to renovate, replace, and/or expand portions of the existing hospital facility located on the main campus. Specifically, NHRMC plans to:

Renovate two rooms in the Surgical Pavilion at New Hanover Regional Medical Center (identified as Storage 16 and Storage 26) that are currently used for storage to accommodate two operating rooms. The OR licenses from two existing operating rooms (identified as Cysto 9 and Cysto 10) will be "relocated" to the two new operating rooms. The two rooms where the OR licenses are transferred from will continue to be utilized as cysto rooms but will be non-licensed procedure rooms.

The project does not relate to any planned change in licensed beds capacity or the addition of any health service facility or new institutional health service other than that allowed in NCGS § 131E-176(b). Accordingly, we understand that the project is exempt from certificate of need review pursuant to NCGS § 131E-184(g).

The project will "renovate, replace on the same site, or expand the entirety or a portion of an existing health service facility that is located on the main campus," defined in NCGS § 131E-176(14n) as "[t]he site of the main building from which a licensed health service facility provides clinical patient services and exercises financial and administrative control over the entire facility, including the buildings and grounds adjacent to the main building" and "[o]ther areas and structures that are not strictly contiguous to the main building but are located within 250 yards of the main building."

The building from which NHRMC, a licensed acute care hospital, provides clinical patient services and exercises financial and administrative control over the entire facility is the main hospital building located at 2131 South 17th Street. It is the building at this address where the proposed renovations will be made.

Based on the project description and pursuant to NCGS § 131E-184(a)(4), the project is exempt from Certificate of Need review. This letter serves as notification of our intent to proceed with the project. We

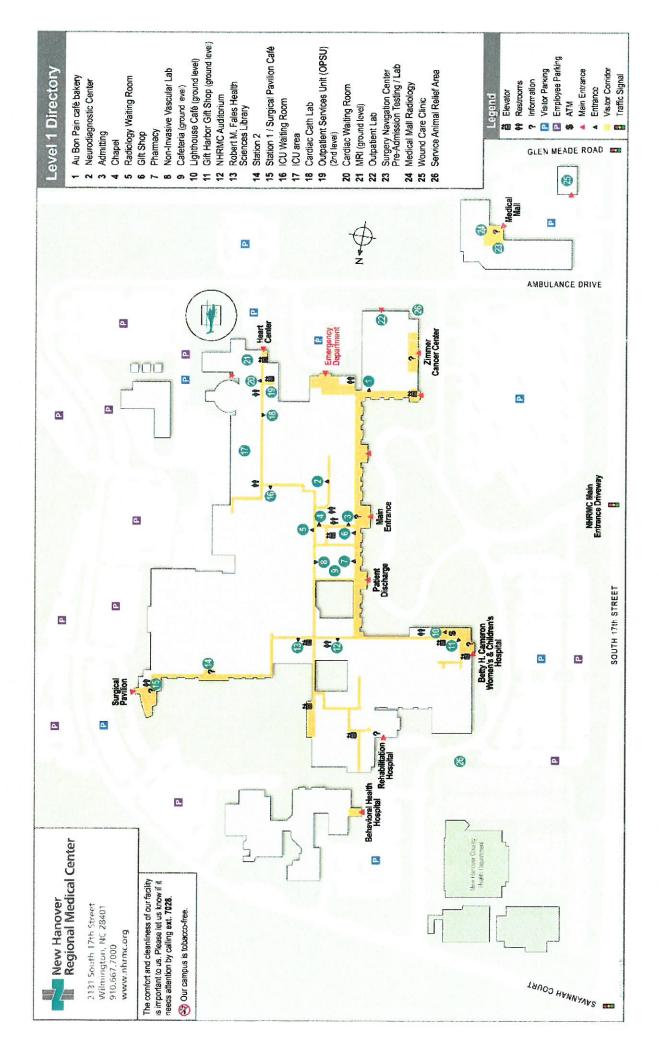
would appreciate your written confirmation that the project is exempt from Certificate of Need review. If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (910) 667-7000.

Sincerely,

Kristy Hubard

Chief Strategy Officer

New Hanover Regional Medical Center





State of Morth Carolina Bepartment of Health and Human Services Division of Health Service Regulation

Effective January 01, 2019, this license is issued to

New Hanover Regional Medical Center

to operate a hospital known as

New Hanover Regional Medical Center

located in Wilmington, North Carolina, New Hanover 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: 943372
License Number: H0221

Bed Capacity: 769

General Acute 647, Rehabilitation 60, Psych 62,

Dedicated Inpatient Surgical Operating Rooms:

Dedicated Ambulatory Surgical Operating Rooms:

Shared Surgical Operating Rooms: 29

Dedicated Endoscopy Rooms: 4

Authorized, by:

Secretary, N.C. Department of Health and Human Services



Director, Division of Health Service Regulation