

## NC DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

## VIA EMAIL ONLY

October 6, 2022

Annette Kiser akiser@teleioscn.org

| No Review            |   |
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| Record #:            | 4038  |
| Date of Request:     | September 19, 2022                            |
| Facility Name:       | Hospice of Surry County, Inc.                 |
| FID #:               | 041172  |
| Business Name:       | Hospice of Surry County, Inc.                 |
| Business #:          | 996   |
| Project Description: | Relocate corporate office within service area |
| County:              | Surry   |

Dear Ms. Kiser:

The Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section, Division of Health Service Regulation (Agency) received your correspondence regarding the project described above. Based on the CON law in **effect on the date of this response to your request**, the project as described is not governed by, and therefore, does not currently require a certificate of need. 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.

This determination is binding only for the facts represented in your correspondence. If changes are made in the project or in the facts provided in the correspondence referenced above, a new determination as to whether a certificate of need is required would need to be made by this office.

Please do not hesitate to contact this office if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Gregory F. Yakaboski Project Analyst

for

Micheala Mitchell Chief

cc: Acute and Home Care Licensure and Certification Section, DHSR

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September 19, 2022

## Submitted Via Email

Micheala Mitchell, Chief Greg Yakaboski, Project Analyst Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section Division of Health Service Regulation N.C. Department of Health and Human Services 809 Ruggles Drive Raleigh, NC 27603

## Re: No Review Request Regarding Hospice of Surry County, Inc.'s Relocation of Its Hospice Corporate Office Within the Service Area

To: Ms. Mitchell and Mr. Yakaboski,

I am writing on behalf of Hospice of Surry County, Inc. (HOS0404), doing business as Mountain Valley Hospice & Palliative Care ("Agency"). The office is currently located at 1427 Edgewood Drive, Suite 101, Mount Airy, NC 27030.

Please accept this letter as notice to the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Health Service Regulation, Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section (the "Department") that we plan to relocate our corporate office to 105 North Crutchfield Street Dobson, NC 27017, less than nine miles away from the address above.

We request the Department's confirmation that this relocation is non-reviewable because it does not constitute a new hospice office (new institutional health service) as defined in the NC Certificate of Need (CON) law under NC General Statute 131E-176(16). The relocation of an existing hospice office is reviewable only if either of the following is applicable: (1) the cost to relocate the office exceeds four million dollars (\$4,000,000)<sup>1</sup> or (2) the office is relocated outside of the hospice agency's existing service area.<sup>2</sup>

Neither of the two triggers is applicable. The new location of the office will remain in the same service area as the current corporate office. Also, the costs to relocate are projected

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> N.C. Gen. Stat. §131E-176(16)(b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> N.C. Gen. Stat. §131E-176(16)(q).

to be less than \$50,000 (for minor renovations and cosmetic changes). Therefore, please confirm that this proposed hospice office relocation is exempt from CON review because it does not constitute a new institutional health service.

If you require additional information, please contact me at 704-902-1993. Thank you in advance for your review of this request.

Sincerely,

Annette Kiser, MSN, RN, NE-BC, CHC Chief Compliance Officer

| From:        | <u>Yakaboski, Greg</u>  |
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| То:          | <u>Waller, Martha K</u>   |
| Subject:     | FW: [External] Request for No Review  |
| Date:        | Sunday, September 18, 2022 11:48:01 AM  |
| Attachments: | Hospice Office Move - Mtn Valley Hospice - No Review.docx<br>image003.png<br>image004.png |

Hey Martha,

Received this No Review Request on Sunday morning.

Thanks,

Greg

Sincerely,

Gregory F. Yakaboski

Gregory F. Yakaboski

Project Analyst <u>Division of Health Service Regulation</u>, Certificate of Need NC Department of Health and Human Services

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**From:** Annette Kiser <akiser@teleioscn.org>

Sent: Sunday, September 18, 2022 10:54 AM

To: Yakaboski, Greg <greg.yakaboski@dhhs.nc.gov>

Cc: Mitchell, Micheala L < Micheala.Mitchell@dhhs.nc.gov>; Tiffany.C.Hunt@dhhs.nc.gov

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Please find attached a request for No Review for the relocation of our hospice office within the same service area.

Thank you, Annette

Annette Kiser, MSN, RN, NE-BC, CHC

Chief Compliance Officer

Mountain Valley Hospice & Palliative Care

704-902-1993





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