

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

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## **RESPONSE REQUIRED**

August 26, 2016

Laura MacFadden 3600 Country Club Rd., Suite 201 Winston-Salem, NC 27104

### **Conditional Approval**

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Project ID #:	G-11150-16	
Facility:	Novant Health Kernersville Outpatient Surgery	
Project Description:	Develop a new ambulatory surgery center by relocating two existing	
	operating rooms from Novant Health Forsyth Medical Center in Winston-	
	Salem to a new facility on the campus of Novant Health Kernersville	
	Medical Center	
County:	Forsyth	
FID #:	160113	

Dear Ms. MacFadden:

The Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section, Division of Health Service Regulation (Agency) has conditionally approved the above referenced certificate of need application. This decision was made after a review of the applications submitted for this cycle and after consideration of the Certificate of Need Law, G.S. 131E-175 et. seq. and regulations promulgated there under, the State Medical Facilities Plan, and other applicable information. Attached to this letter are the required findings made with respect to your application. The applicant shall not proceed with the construction, offering or development of this project until the certificate of need is issued. Further, the Agency shall not issue the certificate of need until all applicable conditions of approval have been met pursuant to G.S. 131E-187(a). The conditions are as follows:

1. Novant Health Kernersville Outpatient Surgery, LLC shall materially comply with all representations made in the certificate of need application.



# Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section

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- 2. Novant Health Kernersville Outpatient Surgery, LLC shall develop an ambulatory surgery center with no more than two ambulatory surgical operating rooms and one minor procedure room.
- 3. Novant Health Forsyth Medical Center shall de-license two shared operating rooms. Following completion of this project and Project I.D. # G-8165-08, Novant Health Forsyth Medical Center shall be licensed for no more than 20 operating rooms, including 15 shared operating rooms, three dedicated open heart surgery operating rooms, and two dedicated C-section operating rooms.
- 4. Novant Health Kernersville Outpatient Surgery, LLC shall not acquire, as part of this project, any equipment that is not included in the project's proposed capital expenditures in Section VIII of the application and that would otherwise require a certificate of need.
- 5. Novant Health Kernersville Outpatient Surgery, LLC shall develop and implement an Energy Efficiency and Sustainability Plan for the project that conforms to or exceeds energy efficiency and water conservation standards incorporated in the latest editions of the North Carolina State Building Codes.
- 6. Novant Health Kernersville Outpatient Surgery, LLC shall acknowledge acceptance of and agree to comply with all conditions stated herein to the Certificate of Need Section in writing prior to issuance of the certificate of need.

# Response to the above conditions should be submitted to the Agency no later than 35 days from the date of the decision. Failure to respond within this time period may result in the Agency making a determination not to issue a certificate of need for the project referenced above.

The conditional approval is valid only for a capital expenditure of **\$9,800,411**. If a cost overrun occurs that exceeds the approved capital expenditure amount, a new certificate of need may be required as determined by G.S. 131E-176(16)(e).

The applicant should be aware that according to the Certificate of Need law any affected person shall have thirty (30) days after the date of decision to file a petition for a contested case on this approval. Further, if you are aggrieved by the conditions of the decision you may file a petition for a contested case hearing in accordance with G.S. 150B, Article 3, as amended. This petition must be filed with the Office of Administrative Hearings, 6714 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-6714 within thirty (30) days of the date of this decision. [Note: Effective October 1, 2009, OAH requires a filing fee with submittal of petitions for contested cases. Please direct all questions regarding this fee to OAH Clerk's Office (919-431-3000).]

G.S. 150B-23 provides that a party filing a petition must also serve a copy of the petition on all parties to the petition. Therefore, if you file a petition for a contested case hearing, you must serve a copy of the petition on the Department of Health and Human Services by mailing a copy of your petition to:

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> Lisa G. Corbett Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Legal Affairs, Adams Building – Room 154 2001 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina, 27699-2001

It is requested that a copy of the petition also be served on the Agency.

The certificate of need will not be issued before the completion of this 30 day period ending **September 26, 2016**. If a contested case request is received within the thirty (30) day period, the certificate will not be issued until the appeal is resolved (10A NCAC 14C .0208).

The timetable for completion of the project is the timetable outlined in the certificate of need application, unless an adjustment has been made by the Agency because the review period was extended. The timetable for this project is as follows:

Completion of Preliminary Drawings	December 31, 2016
Approval of Final Drawings & Specifications by	
the Construction Section, DHSR	May 31, 2017
50% Completion of Construction	August 31, 2017
Completion of Construction	December 31, 2017
Occupancy/Offering of Service(s)	April 1, 2018

If the decision is appealed, the timetable set forth in this letter will be adjusted accordingly before the Certificate of Need is issued. Please contact this office if any clarification of this decision is required.

Please refer to the Project ID # and Facility ID # (FID) in all correspondence.

Sincerely,

Mike McKillip, Project Analyst

Fatimah Wilson, Team Leader

Martha J. Frisone, Assistant Chief Certificate of Need

Attachment

cc: Acute & Home Care Licensure & Certification Section, DHSR Construction Section, DHSR Paige Bennett, Assistant Chief, Healthcare Planning, DHSR

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I have served the foregoing notice of **conditional approval** on the following person by placing a copy in an official depository of the United States Postal Service in a postage-paid, first class envelope addressed as follows:

Laura MacFadden 3600 Country Club Rd., Suite 201 Winston-Salem, NC 27104

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This the  $26^{th}$  day of <u>August</u>, 2016

Mike McKillip, Project Analyst Certificate of Need