

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

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### **RESPONSE REQUIRED**

March 31, 2016

Maran Sigmon 336 Deerfield Road Boone, NC 28607

## **Conditional Approval**

Project ID #: D-11122-16

Facility: The Foley Center at Chestnut Ridge

Project Description: Cost overrun for Project ID #D-8685-11 (develop 20 NF beds and relocate

72 NF beds) and Project ID #D-8829-12 (relocate 20 ACH beds) for a total of 92 NF and 20 ACH beds upon completion of all three projects

County: Watauga FID #: 110348

Dear Mr. Sigmon:

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. Chestnut Ridge at Blowing Rock, LLC, and Blowing Rock Hospital, Inc. shall materially comply with all conditions of approval on the certificate of need for Project I.D. #s D-8685-11 and D-8829-12 except as specifically modified by the conditions of approval for this application, D-11122-16.







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- 2. The total approved capital expenditure for Project I.D. #s D-8685-11, D-8829-12, and D-11122-16 is \$26,212,416.
- 3. Chestnut Ridge at Blowing Rock, LLC, and Blowing Rock Hospital, Inc. shall not acquire, as part of this project, any equipment that is not included in the project's proposed capital expenditure in Section VI of the application and that would otherwise require a certificate of need.
- 4. Chestnut Ridge at Blowing Rock, LLC, and Blowing Rock Hospital, Inc. 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.
- 5. Prior to issuance of the certificate of need, Chestnut Ridge at Blowing Rock, LLC, and Blowing Rock Hospital, Inc. shall acknowledge acceptance of and agree to comply with all conditions stated herein to the Healthcare Planning and 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 \$6,129,250. 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:

Emery Milliken
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.

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The certificate of need will not be issued before the completion of this 30 day period ending May 2, 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:

Obtain Funds Necessary to Undertake Project	June 5, 2016
Completion of Construction	August 1, 2016
Occupancy/Offering of Services	October 1, 2016
Licensure	October 1, 2016
Certification	October 1, 2016

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,

Julie Halatek Project Analyst Fatimah Wilson Co-signer Team Leader, Certificate of Need

#### Attachment

cc: Nursing Home Licensure & Certification Section, DHSR Kelli Fisk, Program Assistant, Healthcare Planning, DHSR Construction Section, 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:

Maran Sigmon 336 Deerfield Road Boone, NC 28607 Project ID #: D-11122-16 FID #: 110348

This the 31st day of March, 2016.

Julie Halatek Project Analyst, Certificate of Need