

# DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION OF HEALTH SERVICE REGULATION

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### **RESPONSE REQUIRED**

May 11, 2017

Barbara Freedy 2085 Frontis Plaza Blvd Winston-Salem, NC 27103

# **Conditional Approval**

Project ID #: G-11300-17

Facility: Novant Health Clemmons Outpatient Surgery

Project Description: Develop a multispecialty ambulatory surgical facility on the Novant

Health Clemmons Medical Center campus by relocating two ORs from the Novant Health Winston-Salem campus and developing a new procedure

room

County: Forsyth FID #: 170068

Dear Ms. Freedy:

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, N.C. Gen. Stat. §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 N.C. Gen. Stat. §131E-187(a). The conditions are as follows:

1. Novant Health Clemmons 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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LOCATION: EDGERTON BUILDING • 809 RUGGLES DRIVE • RALEIGH, NC 27603 MAILING ADDRESS: 2704 MAIL SERVICE CENTER •RALEIGH, NC 27699-2704 AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY/ AFFIRMATIVE ACTION EMPLOYER

- 2. Novant Health Clemmons 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, and Project I.D. #G-11150-16, Novant Health Forsyth Medical Center shall be licensed for no more than 18 operating rooms, including 13 shared operating rooms, three dedicated open heart surgery operating rooms, and two dedicated C-section operating rooms.
- 4. Novant Health Clemmons 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 Clemmons 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 Clemmons 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 \$13,170,892. If a cost overrun occurs that exceeds the approved capital expenditure amount, a new certificate of need may be required as determined by N.C. Gen. Stat. \$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 N.C. Gen. Stat. §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).]

N.C. Gen. Stat. §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 **June 12, 2017.** 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:

Final Drawings/Specifications/Construction Section, DHSI	
Construction Contract Executed/Contract Award	
25% Completion of Construction	September 14, 2018
50% Completion of Construction	December 14, 2018
75% Completion of Construction	March 15, 2019
Completion of Construction	May 31, 2019
Occupancy/Offering of Service/Licensure	July 1, 2019
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,	
Sincerery,	
Celia C. Inman	Fatimah Wilson
Project Analyst	Team Leader, Certificate of Need
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Attachment

cc: Construction Section, DHSR
Acute & Home Care Licensure & Certification 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:

Barbara Freedy 2085 Frontis Plaza Blvd., Winston-Salem, NC 27103

This the 11<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2017.

Celia C. Inman
Project Analyst, Certificate of Need