

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION OF HEALTH SERVICE REGULATION

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RESPONSE REQUIRED

November 27, 2017

Elizabeth Kirkman 2709 Water Ridge Parkway, Suite 200 Charlotte, NC 28217

Conditional Approval

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Project ID #:	F-11362-17
Facility:	Carolinas Medical Center
Project Description:	Develop 45 additional acute care beds for a total of 1,055 acute care beds
County:	Mecklenburg
FID #:	943070

Dear Ms. Kirkman:

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. Written notice of all findings and conclusions upon which the decision was based will be provided to the applicants within five business days after the date of the decision in accordance with N.C. Gen. Stat. §131E-186. 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 that can be satisfied before issuance of the certificate of need have been met pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §131E-187(a). The conditions are as follows:

- 1. The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Hospital Authority shall materially comply with all representations made in the certificate of need application.
- 2. The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Hospital Authority shall develop 45 additional acute care beds.
- 3. Upon completion of the project, Carolinas Medical Center shall be licensed for no more than 1,055 acute care beds.

HEALTHCARE PLANNING AND CERTIFICATE OF NEED SECTION WWW.NCDHHS.GOV TELEPHONE 919-855-3873 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

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- 4. The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Hospital Authority shall not acquire as part of this project any equipment that is not included in the project's proposed capital expenditures in Section F of the application and that would otherwise require a certificate of need.
- 5. No later than three months after the last day of each of the first three full years of operation following initiation of the services authorized by this certificate of need, The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Hospital Authority shall submit, on the form provided by the Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section, an annual report containing the:
 - a. Payor mix for the services authorized in this certificate of need.
 - b. Utilization of the services authorized in this certificate of need.
 - c. Revenues and operating costs for the services authorized in this certificate of need.
 - d. Average gross revenue per unit of service.
 - e. Average net revenue per unit of service.
 - f. Average operating cost per unit of service.
- 6. The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Hospital Authority shall acknowledge acceptance of and agree to comply with all conditions stated herein to the Agency 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 CON Section 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 \$1,200,000. 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, P.O. Drawer 27447, Raleigh, North Carolina 27611-7447 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:

Lisa G. Corbett Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Legal Affairs, Adams Building – Room 154 2001 MSC Raleigh, North Carolina, 27699-2001 Elizabeth Kirkman November 27, 2017 Page 3

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 **December 28, 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:

1.	Drawings Completed	January 15, 2018
2.	Construction/Renovation Contract(s) Executed	February 2, 2018
3.	25% of Construction/Renovation Completed (25% of the cost is in place)	February 12, 2018
4.	50% of Construction/Renovation Completed	February 23, 2018
5.	75% of Construction/Renovation Completed	March 5, 2018
6.	Construction/Renovation Completed	March 15, 2018
7.	Equipment Ordered	February 1, 2018
8.	Equipment Installed	March 22, 2018
9.	Equipment Operational	April 1, 2018
10.	Building/Space Occupied	April 1, 2018
11.	Licensure Obtained	April 1, 2018
12.	Services Offered	April 1, 2018
13.	Medicare and/or Medicaid Certification Obtained	April 1, 2018
14.	Facility or Service Accredited	April 1, 2018
15.	Final Annual Report Due	July 1, 2021

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 us 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 Team Leader, Certificate of Need

Attachment

cc: Construction Section, DHSR Acute & Home Care Licensure & Certification Section, DHSR Sharetta Blackwell, Program Assistant 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:

Elizabeth Kirkman 2709 Water Ridge Parkway, Suite 200 Charlotte, NC 28217

This the 27th day of November, 2017.

Julie Halatek Project Analyst, Certificate of Need