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#### **RESPONSE REQUIRED**

May 25, 2018

Amy Graham 155 Memorial Drive Pinehurst, NC 28374

### **Conditional Approval**

Project ID #: H-11459-18

Facility: FirstHealth Moore Regional Hospital

Project Description: Add 22 acute care beds pursuant to the need determination in the 2018

SMFP for a total of 359 acute care beds upon project completion

County: Moore FID #: 943358

Dear Ms. Graham:

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. FirstHealth of the Carolinas, Inc. shall materially comply with all representations made in the certificate of need application.
- 2. FirstHealth Moore Regional Hospital shall develop 22 additional acute care beds pursuant to the need determination in the 2018 State Medical Facilities Plan.
- 3. Upon completion of the project, FirstHealth Moore Regional Hospital shall be licensed for no more than 359 acute care beds.

NC DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES • DIVISION OF HEALTH SERVICE REGULATION HEALTHCARE PLANNING AND CERTIFICATE OF NEED SECTION

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- 4. FirstHealth Moore Regional Hospital 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, FirstHealth Moore Regional Hospital 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. FirstHealth Moore Regional Hospital 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 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 \$17,761,800. 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:

Lisa G. Corbett
Department of Health and Human Services,

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## 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 25, 2018.** 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.	Financing Obtained	February 10, 2018
2.	Drawings Completed	February 01, 2019
3.	Construction/Renovation Contract(s) Executed	April 01, 2019
4.	25% of Construction/Renovation Completed	
	(25% of the cost is in place)	August 01, 2019
5.	50% of Construction/Renovation Completed	December 01, 2019
6.	75% of Construction/Renovation Completed	April 01, 2019
7.	Construction/Renovation Completed	August 01, 2019
8.	Building/Space Occupied	October 01, 2020
9.	Services Offered	October 01, 2020
10.	Final Annual Report Due	December 31, 2023

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,

Tanya S. Rupp Project Analyst Lisa Pittman Assistant Chief, Certificate of Need

#### Attachment

cc: Construction Section, DHSR

Acute & Home Care Licensure & Certification Section, DHSR Amy Craddock, 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:

Amy Graham 155 Memorial Drive Pinehurst, NC 28374

This the 25<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2018.

Tanya S. Rupp Project Analyst, Certificate of Need