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## RESPONSE REQUIRED

September 25, 2019

Andrea Gymer 2085 Frontis Plaza Boulevard Winston-Salem, NC 27103

## **Conditional Approval**

Project ID #:

O-11712-19

Facility:

Novant Health Brunswick Medical Center

Project Description: Provide inpatient dialysis services through the lease of no more than two portable

inpatient dialysis units upon project completion

County:

Brunswick

FID #:

061342

Approved Capital Expenditure:

\$0

Conditions of Approval:

See Attachment A

Approved Timetable:

See Attachment B

Last Date to Appeal:

October 25, 2019

Required State Agency Findings:

Enclosed

Dear Ms. Gymer:

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 review of the application or applications if the review was competitive, consideration of the Certificate of Need Law and regulations promulgated thereunder, the State Medical Facilities Plan, written comments if any, responses to comments if any, and other publicly applicable information.

The conditional approval is valid only for the approved capital expenditure shown above. If the capital cost will exceed the approved capital expenditure amount by more than 115%, the applicant must first obtain a new certificate of need.

Response to the conditions in Attachment A 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 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 approved timetable for this project is found in Attachment B.

Note: The applicant shall not begin developing this project until after the certificate of need has been issued and the certificate of need will not be issued until the applicant has documented that all conditions that must be met prior to issuance of the certificate of need have been met.

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Furthermore, if the project requires that plans be submitted to the Construction Section, those plans will not be reviewed or approved until after the certificate of need has been issued.

The Certificate of Need law provides that any affected person has thirty (30) days after the date of the decision to file a petition for a contested case on this approval. Further, if you are aggrieved by any of the conditions you may file a petition for a contested case hearing in accordance with N.C. Gen. Stat. §150B, Article 3. 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. Effective October 1, 2009, OAH requires a filing fee with submittal of petitions for contested cases. Please direct all questions regarding this fee to the 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 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 thirty day appeal period which ends on the date shown above. If a contested case petition is filed with OAH within the thirty day appeal period, the certificate will not be issued until the appeal is resolved.

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,

Ena Lightbourne Project Analyst Lisa Pittman Assistant Chief

**Enclosures:** 

cc:

Attachment A: Conditions of Approval Attachment B: Approved Timetable Required State Agency Findings

Acute & Home Care Licensure & Certification Section, DHSR

## Attachment A Conditions of Approval

- 1. Brunswick Community Hospital, LLC and Novant Health, Inc. shall materially comply with all representations made in the certificate of need application.
- 2. Brunswick Community Hospital, LLC and Novant Health, Inc. shall not acquire, as part of this project, any equipment that is not included in the project's proposed capital expenditure in Section F of the application and that would otherwise require a certificate of need.
- 3. Brunswick Community Hospital, LLC and Novant Health, Inc. shall provide the Agency clarifying information on why the project's Facility or Service Accredited date is four years from the date of the services offered, prior to issuance of the certificate of need.
- 4. Brunswick Community Hospital, LLC and Novant Health, Inc. 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.

## Attachment B Approved Timetable

1.	Equipment Operational	January 6, 2020
2.	Services Offered (required)	January 6, 2020
3.	Facility or Service Accredited	March 31, 2024