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### **RESPONSE REQUIRED**

July 22, 2020

Elizabeth Runyon UNC HCS, Hedrick Building 211 Friday Center Drive, Suite G014 Chapel Hill, NC 27517

### **Conditional Approval**

Project ID #: J-11897-20

Facility: University of North Carolina Hospitals Hillsborough Campus

Project Description: Develop 10 additional inpatient rehabilitation beds on the Hillsborough campus

pursuant to Policy AC-3 for a total of 40 inpatient beds upon project completion

County: Orange FID #: 090274

Approved Capital Expenditure: \$12,068,264
Conditions of Approval: See Attachment A
Approved Timetable: See Attachment B
Last Date to Appeal: August 21, 2020

Required State Agency Findings: Enclosed

#### Dear Ms. Runyon:

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 attached to emails addressed to the Project Analyst and the Co-signer no later than 35 days from the date of the decision. Failure to respond within this time period may result in the Agency determining 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.

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

LOCATION: 809 Ruggles Drive, Edgerton Building, Raleigh, NC 27603 MAILING ADDRESS: 2704 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-2704 https://info.ncdhhs.gov/dhsr/ • TEL: 919-855-3873 Elizabeth Runyon July 22, 2020 Page 2

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).

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:

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,

Michael J. McKillip Project Analyst

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**Enclosures:** 

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

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

Construction Section, DHSR

## Attachment A Conditions of Approval

- 1. University of North Carolina Hospitals at Chapel Hill shall materially comply with all representations made in the certificate of need application.
- 2. University of North Carolina Hospitals at Chapel Hill shall develop no more than ten additional inpatient rehabilitation beds on the Hillsborough campus for a total of no more than 40 inpatient rehabilitation beds upon project completion.
- 3. University of North Carolina Hospitals at Chapel Hill, as part of this project, shall not acquire any equipment that is not included in the project's proposed capital expenditures in Section Q of the application and that would otherwise require a certificate of need.
- 4. For each of the first five years of operation, University of North Carolina Hospitals at Chapel Hill shall submit to the Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section a detailed description of how the project achieves the academic requirements of the appropriate sections of Policy AC-3, paragraph 2 [items 1 through 4] as proposed in the certificate of need application.
- 5. University of North Carolina Hospitals at Chapel Hill 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. 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, University of North Carolina Hospitals at Chapel Hill 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.
- 7. University of North Carolina Hospitals at Chapel Hill shall acknowledge acceptance of and agree to comply with all conditions stated herein to the Agency in writing prior to insurance of the certificate of need.

## Attachment B Approved Timetable

## Timetable

Milestone		Date
1	25% of Construction / Renovation Completed (25% of the cost is in place)	12/1/2020
2	50% of Construction / Renovation Completed	6/15/2021
3	75% of Construction / Renovation Completed	10/15/2021
4	Construction / Renovation Completed	3/15/2022
5	Services Offered	7/1/2022
6	First Annual Report Due*	10/1/2023