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#### **RESPONSE REQUIRED**

June 23, 2023

Jordan Qualls 234 Two Creeks Chapel Hill, NC 27517

### **Conditional Approval**

Project ID #: G-12338-23

Facility: Harmony at Kernersville

Project Description: Develop a new ACH facility by relocating 90 ACH beds from The Ivy at

Clemmons, including 36 SCU beds

County: Forsyth FID #: 230135

Approved Capital Expenditure: \$25,267,363
Conditions of Approval: See Attachment A
Approved Timetable: See Attachment B
Last Date to Appeal: July 24, 2023
Required State Agency Findings: Enclosed

Dear Mr. Qualls:

The Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section, Division of Health Service Regulation (Agency) has conditionally approved the above referenced certificate of need application. 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 an email, addressed to the Project Analyst and the Co-signer no later than 35 days from the date of the decision. The certificate of need will not be issued if the response to the conditions in Attachment A has not been received by the Agency.

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.

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.

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

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

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conditions you may file a petition for a contested case hearing in accordance with G.S.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:

Julie Cronin
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,

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**Enclosures:** 

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

cc: Construction Section, DHSR Adult Care Licensure Section, DHSR

# Attachment A Conditions of Approval

- 1. Kernersville IL-AL, LLC and Kernersville Operations, LLC, (hereinafter collectively the certificate holder) shall materially comply with all representations made in the certificate of need application.
- 2. The certificate holder shall develop a new 90-bed ACH facility, including 36 SCU beds, in Kernersville, in Forsyth County, by relocating 90 existing, licensed ACH beds from The Ivy at Clemmons in Forsyth County.
- 3. Upon completion of the project, Harmony at Kernersville shall be licensed for no more than 90 ACH beds.
- 4. The certificate holder shall certify at least 11.1 percent of the total number of licensed adult care home beds in the facility for recipients of State/County Special Assistance with Medicaid commensurate with representations made in the application.

### 5. Progress Reports:

- a. Pursuant to G.S. 131E-189(a), the certificate holder shall submit periodic progress reports on the progress being made to develop the project consistent with the timetable and representations made in the application on the Progress Report form provided by the Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section. The form is available online at: https://info.ncdhhs.gov/dhsr/coneed/progressreport.html.
- b. The certificate holder shall complete all sections of the Progress Report Form.
- c. The certificate holder shall describe in detail all steps taken to develop the project since the last progress report and should include documentation to substantiate each step taken as available.
- d. The first progress report shall be due on January 1, 2024.
- 6. The certificate holder shall not acquire as part of this project 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.
- 7. For the first two years of operation following completion of the project, Harmony at Kernersville shall not increase private pay charges more than 5% of the projected private pay charges provided in Section Q of the application without first obtaining a determination from the Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section that the proposed increase is in material compliance with the representations in the certificate of need application.
- 8. Prior to the issuance of the certificate of need, the certificate holder shall obtain documentation from MP Care, LLC (seller) showing that the purchase transaction between the buyer and seller has been completed and shall provide a copy of the documentation to the Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section.
- 9. The certificate holder 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

Milestone		Date
1	Financing Obtained	4/1/2025
2	Drawings Completed	4/1/2025
3	Land Acquired	4/1/2025
4	Construction / Renovation Contract(s) Executed	4/1/2025
5	25% of Construction / Renovation Completed (25% of the cost is in	12/1/2025
	place)	
6	50% of Construction / Renovation Completed	8/1/2026
7	75% of Construction / Renovation Completed	4/1/2027
8	Construction / Renovation Completed	12/10/2027
9	Building / Space Occupied	12/13/2027
10	Licensure Obtained	1/1/2028
11	Services Offered	1/1/2028
12	First Annual Report Due*	3/31/2029