

## State of North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

## FirstHealth proposes to relocate an operating room to Hoke County

RALEIGH – FirstHealth of the Carolinas, Inc. has filed an application with the Certificate of Need Section of the N.C. Division of Health Service Regulation to relocate one operating room from FirstHealth Moore Regional Hospital to the approved FirstHealth Hoke Community Hospital in Raeford.

A public hearing for this project will be held at 12:30 p.m. on Aug. 20 at the L.E. McLaughlin Building, Senior Center Hall (Old Armory Building) at 423 East Central Ave.,Raeford.

FirstHealth has already been approved to relocate one operating room from FirstHealth Moore Regional Hospital to FirstHealth Hoke Community Hospital. Relocating a second operating room is expected to add \$1.6 million to the cost to develop the hospital in Raeford.

Anyone may file written comments concerning this proposal. Comments must be received by the Certificate of Need Section no later than July 31 at the following address:

Certificate of Need Section Division of Health Service Regulation 2704 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-2704

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