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December 20, 2019

Catharine W. Cummer, Regulatory Counsel, Strategic Planning  
Duke University Health System  
3100 Tower Blvd, Suite 1300  
Durham NC 27707

**Exempt from Review – Physician Office**

**Record #:** 3167  
**Business Name:** Duke University Health System, Inc.  
**Business #:** 640  
**Project Description:** Develop a physician office building at 5116 N. Roxboro Street in Durham  
**County:** Durham

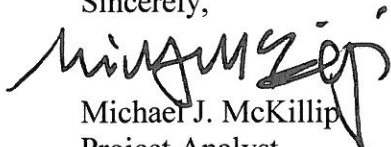
Dear Ms. Cummer:

The Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section, Division of Health Service Regulation (Agency), determined that based on your letter of December 17, 2019, the above referenced proposal is exempt from certificate of need review in accordance with N.C. Gen. Stat. §131E-184(a)(9). Therefore, you may proceed to offer, develop or establish the above referenced project without a certificate of need.

However, you need to contact the Agency's Construction and the Acute and Home Care Licensure and Certification Sections to determine if they have any requirements for development of the proposed physician office.

It should be noted that this Agency's position is based solely on the facts represented by you and that any change in facts as represented would require further consideration by the Agency and a separate determination. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

  
Michael J. McKillip  
Project Analyst

  
Martha J. Frisone  
Chief

cc: Construction Section, DHSR  
Acute and Home Care Licensure and Certification Section, DHSR

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Regulatory Counsel, Strategic Planning



December 17, 2019

Via Electronic Mail

Martha Frisone, Chief  
Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section  
Division of Health Service Regulation  
2704 Mail Service Center  
Raleigh, NC 27699-2704

Re: Duke University Health System notice of development of physician office building

Dear Ms. Frisone:

I am writing to inform you of the intended development by the Duke University Health System of a physician office building in Durham County at 5116 N Roxboro Street, in North Durham. DUHS will incur costs greater than \$2 million to upfit leased space in the building for physician services.

No new institutional health services will be offered at this site without a certificate of need. We therefore understand that this project is exempt from certificate of need review as the development of a physician office building under N.C.G.S. 131E-184(a)(9), and would appreciate your confirmation of this understanding.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you very much.

Very truly yours,

Catharine W. Cummer