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VIA EMAIL ONLY

July 13, 2020

Elizabeth Runyon

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No Review

Record #: 3314

Facility Name: Rex Home Services

FID #: 944099

Business Name: UNC Health Care System

Business #: 2991

Project Description: Internal corporate reorganization

County: Wake

Dear Ms. Runyon:

The Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section, Division of Health Service Regulation (Agency) received your correspondence regarding the above referenced proposal. Based on the CON law **in effect on the date of this response to your request**, the proposal described in that correspondence is not governed by, and therefore, does not currently require a certificate of need. If the CON law is subsequently amended such that the above referenced proposal would require a certificate of need, this determination does not authorize you to proceed to develop the above referenced proposal when the new law becomes effective.

You may need to contact the Agency's Acute and Home Care Licensure and Certification Section, to determine if they have any requirements for development of the proposed project.

This determination is binding only for the facts represented in your correspondence. If changes are made in the project or in the facts provided in the correspondence referenced above, a new determination as to whether a certificate of need is required would need to be made by this office.

Please do not hesitate to contact this office if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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

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



July 1, 2020

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Mr. Michael McKillip, Project Analyst NC Department of Health and Human Services Division of Health Service Regulation Certificate of Need Section 809 Ruggles Drive Raleigh, NC 27603 mike.mckillip@dhhs.nc.gov

RE: No Review Request by UNC Health Care System Regarding Intra-Organizational Restructure to Home Care Agency

Dear Mr. McKillip:

UNC Hospitals ("UNCH") and Rex Hospital, Inc. ("Rex"), who both share the same parent UNC Health Care System ("UNCHCS"), provide this letter as notice to the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Health Service Regulation, Certificate of Need Section ("Agency") that they plan to reorganize their existing home care agencies to increase consistency, achieve operational efficiencies, and simplify their corporate structure. The parties seek confirmation that this change, which is essentially an intra-organizational restructure, does not implicate certificate of need ("CON") review and does not require a CON.

There are a total of three home care agencies currently owned by UNCH and Rex:

- UNC Home Health, 1101 Weaver Dairy Road, Chapel Hill (License HC0030)
- UNC Home Health, 287 East Street, Suite 221, Pittsboro (License HC2803)¹
- Rex Home Services, 1500 Sunday Drive, Suite 110, Raleigh (License HC0422)

Both of the UNC Home Health agencies are owned by UNCH, and they will not be impacted by this reorganization. Copies of the licenses for these agencies are attached as Exhibit 1. Through this proposed reorganization, UNCHCS desires to bring the Rex Home Services agency, which is currently owned by Rex, under common ownership with the UNCH home care agencies. A copy of the license for this agency is attached as Exhibit 2. Attached as Exhibit 3 is a graphic depiction of the current ownership structure for these three agencies.

Essentially, the parties propose to bring all three home care agencies under the common ownership of UNCH, to gain operational efficiencies and streamline administrative functions such as staffing and management. The ultimate parent of all three agencies will remain

¹ The Pittsboro agency is operated as a branch office of the Chapel Hill parent office.

UNCHCS; however Rex Home Services will become an agency under UNCH ownership, and will become a branch office of the UNC Home Care Chapel Hill office. This reorganization will allow the parties to achieve common ownership by UNCH across these three agencies. See Exhibit 4 for a graphic depiction of the proposed ownership structure <u>after</u> the corporate reorganization.

Importantly, this proposal will not result in any change to the services provided or the geographic area served by each of these agencies. Each of these three home care agencies will continue to serve patients from their existing offices in their existing service areas exactly as they do currently. There are no proposed changes impacting the care provided to patients by these agencies. The ultimate parent company of the agencies (UNCHCS) will also not change. The proposed reorganization is best summarized in Exhibits 3 and 4.

In sum, the parties do not believe the proposed reorganization constitutes a "new institutional health service" as that term is defined in N.C. Gen. Stat. § 131E-176(16). The intra-organizational restructure will bring all three home care agencies under the UNCH umbrella. The same services will be provided to the same patients in the same geographic areas where they are currently served. Further, there will be no capital expenditure related to this proposed change, and there will be no development of any additional home care offices or agencies as part of the change. For all the foregoing reasons, the parties believe the proposed reorganization to bring these three agencies under the common ownership of UNCH does not require a certificate of need.

The parties respectfully request written confirmation from the Agency that the proposal described herein does not implicate CON review and does not require a CON. Please don't hesitate to contact me should you need any additional information or have any questions.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Runyon

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System Director of Regulatory Affairs & Special Counsel

UNC Health

State of Aorth Caroling Department of Health and Human Services Division of Health Service Regulation

Effective January 01, 2020, this license is issued to University of North Carolina Hospitals at Chapel Hill

to operate an agency known as

UNC Home Health

located at 287 East Street; Suite 221 City of Pittsboro, North Carolina.

This license is issued subject to the statutes of the State of North Carolina, is not transferable and shall expire midnight December 31, 2020.

Facility ID: 040834

License Number: HC2803

Home Care Services: Nursing Care, Infusion Nursing, In-home Aide, Medical Social Services, Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech Therapy, Companion, Sitter, Respite
This agency is authorized to provide Medicare-certified home health services.

Authorized, by:

Secretary, N.C. Department of Health and Human Services



rector, Division of Health Service Population

State of Aurth Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Division of Health Service Regulation

Effective January 01, 2020, this license is issued to University of North Carolina Hospitals

to operate an agency known as

UNC Home Health

located at 1101 Weaver Dairy Road City of Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

This license is issued subject to the statutes of the State of North Carolina, is not transferable and shall expire midnight December 31, 2020.

Facility ID: 923988

License Number: HC0030

Home Care Services: Nursing Care, Infusion Nursing, In-home Aide, Medical Social Services, Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech Therapy, Directly Related Medical Supplies and Appliances, Companion, Sitter, Respite

This agency is authorized to provide Medicare-certified home health services.

Authorized, by:

Secretary, N.C. Department of Health and Human Services



Director, Division of Health Service Regulation

State of Aurth Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Division of Health Service Regulation

Effective January 01, 2020, this license is issued to Rex Hospital, Inc.

to operate an agency known as

Rex Home Services

located at 1500 Sunday Drive; Unit 110
City of Raleigh, North Carolina.

This license is issued subject to the statutes of the

State of North Carolina, is not transferable and shall expire

midnight December 31, 2020.

Facility ID: 944099

License Number: HC0422

Home Care Services: Nursing Care, Infusion Nursing, In-home Aide, Medical Social Services, Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech Therapy, Companion, Sitter, Respite

This agency is authorized to provide Medicare-certified home health services.

Authorized, by:

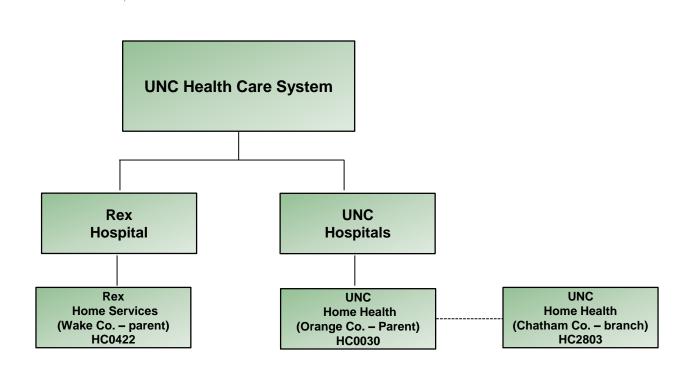
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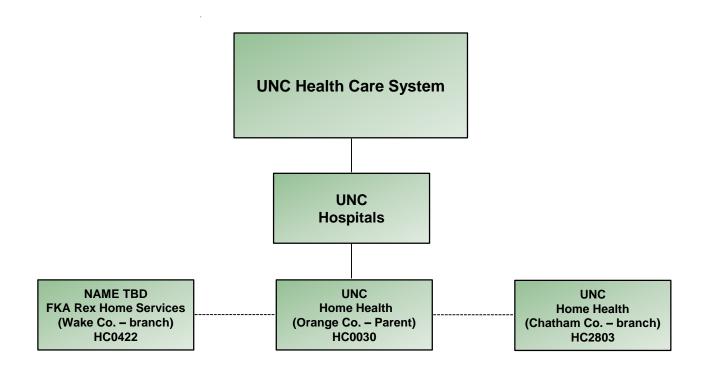


Director, Division of Health Service Regulation

UNCH/Rex Home Care Services Before Consolidation



UNC Home Care Services After Consolidation



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Ex. 1 - UNC Home Health Licenses 2020.pdf
Ex. 2 - Rex Home Services License 2020.pdf
Ex. 3 - Current Ownership structure Chart .pdf
Ex. 4 - Planned Ownership structure Chart .pdf

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Mike,

Please see attached No Review request and supporting Exhibits 1-4. Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions.

I hope you have a nice holiday weekend!

Elizabeth

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