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VIA EMAIL ONLY

September 6, 2024

Timothy Walsh twalsh@libertyseniorliving.com

No Review

Record #: 4432

Date of Request: April 19, 2024

Facility Name: Liberty Home Care VI, LLC

FID #: 190440

Business Name: Liberty Healthcare Group, LLC

Business #: 3709

Project Description: Expand hospice home care services to Gates and Vance counties

County: Halifax

Dear Mr. Walsh:

The Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section, Division of Health Service Regulation (Agency) received your correspondence regarding the project described above. Based on the representation in your request and the CON law **in effect on the date of this response to your request**, the project as described 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.

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. As a reminder, it is unlawful to offer or develop a new institutional health service without first obtaining a certificate of need. The Department reserves the right to impose sanctions, including civil penalties and the revocation of a license, upon any entity that offers or develops a new institutional health service without first obtaining a certificate of need.

Sincerely,

Gregory F. Yakaboski Project Analyst

Micheala Mitchell

Micheala Mitchell Chief

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

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From: Ruby Freeman

To: Yakaboski, Greg; Timothy J. Walsh; Donna Turlington

Subject: RE: [External] RE: No Review Letter for Liberty Homecare and Hospice - Halifax County

Date: Monday, April 22, 2024 9:59:15 AM

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Hi Greg, see below the facility as it appears on the license...

Liberty Healthcare Group, LLC

d/b/a Liberty Home Care VI, LLC

Thank you,

Ruby Freeman

Liberty Home Care and Hospice

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From: Yakaboski, Greg <greg.yakaboski@dhhs.nc.gov>

Sent: Monday, April 22, 2024 9:56 AM

To: Ruby Freeman <RFreeman@libertyhomecare.com>; Timothy J. Walsh

<TWalsh@libertyseniorliving.com>; Donna Turlington <DTurlington@libertyhomecare.com>

Subject: RE: [External] RE: No Review Letter for Liberty Homecare and Hospice - Halifax County

Thank you!

Request- If you have the license would you mind sending over the name of the facility as it appears on the license? (I have to add this to our newer data base).

Thanks,

Greg

Sincerely,

Gregory F. Yakaboski Gregory F. Yakaboski

Project Analyst

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From: Ruby Freeman < RFreeman@libertyhomecare.com >

Sent: Monday, April 22, 2024 9:52 AM

To: Timothy J. Walsh < TWalsh@libertyseniorliving.com >; Donna Turlington

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Good morning Gregory, the Facility ID (FID#) – 190440...Halifax County.

Thank you,

Ruby Freeman

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<u>rfreeman@libertyhomecare.com</u> – Email address

From: Timothy J. Walsh < TWalsh@libertyseniorliving.com>

Sent: Monday, April 22, 2024 9:48 AM

To: Donna Turlington < <u>DTurlington@libertyhomecare.com</u>>; Ruby Freeman

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Cc: Yakaboski, Greg <greg.vakaboski@dhhs.nc.gov>

Subject: RE: No Review Letter for Liberty Homecare and Hospice - Halifax County

Good morning Donna, Ruby:

Please see below from Greg at CON. Can you provide him the FID# for Liberty Homecare and

Hospice - Halifax County? I imagine it should be listed on the license.

Thanks! Regards,

Timothy J. Walsh

Director of Business Development

Liberty Senior Living

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From: Yakaboski, Greg <greg.yakaboski@dhhs.nc.gov>

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Subject: re: No Review Letter for Liberty Homecare and Hospice - Halifax County

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Morning Tim,

If you have an FID # for the facility could you send that over.... Having trouble locating your facility in our databases.

Thanks,

Greg

Sincerely,

Gregory F. Yakaboski Gregory F. Yakaboski

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April 19, 2024

VIA EMAIL ONLY

Gloria Hale, Team Leader Greg Yakaboski, Project Analyst NC Department of Health and Human Services Division of Health Service Regulation Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section 2704 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-2704

RE: **REQUEST OF NO REVIEW** – Provision of hospice home care services to Gates and Vance County residents by Liberty Healthcare Group, LLC d/b/a Liberty Home Care VI, LLC or Liberty Home Care and Hospice

Dear Gloria and Greg,

Liberty Healthcare Group, LLC d/b/a Liberty Home Care VI, LLC or Liberty Home Care and Hospice, is a Medicare-certified hospice agency serving North Carolina patients from its location at 93 NC Highway 125, Roanoke Rapids, NC, 27870, in Halifax County.

We are writing to seek confirmation that a Certificate of Need ("CON") is not necessary for our agency to extend hospice home care services to patients residing in Gates and Vance Counties.

Hospice home care services are essential for patients requiring hospice care outside of traditional inpatient facilities, such as their private residences, nursing homes, or hospitals. Liberty Home Care and Hospice seeks to extend these services to individuals in Gates and Vance County.

Upon thorough examination of relevant North Carolina statutes, particularly North Carolina General Statute 131E-176(16a), which stipulates a CON requirement for the establishment of new health service facilities, we wish to affirm that Liberty Home Care and Hospice's intended expansion does not fall under this requirement. Furthermore, as per North Carolina General Statute 131E-176(9b), defining a "health service facility," our proposal does not involve the construction or development of a hospice office, hospice inpatient facility, or hospice residential care facility. Instead, our services will be provided from our existing office in Roanoke Rapids, NC.

In light of the above, Liberty Home Care and Hospice respectfully requests the Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section to acknowledge that our agency may extend hospice home care services to residents of Gates and Vance County.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We are grateful for your cooperation and understanding as we strive to deliver essential healthcare services to our community.

Best Regards,

Timothy Walsh

Director of Business Development

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 From:
 Yakaboski, Greg

 To:
 Stancil, Tiffany C

 Cc:
 Hale, Gloria

Subject: FW: [External] No Review Request by Liberty Healthcare Group, LLC d/b/a Liberty Home Care VI, LLC or Liberty

Home Care and Hospice (License # HOS5184)

Date: Friday, April 19, 2024 9:44:56 AM

Attachments: LHC VI - Hospice No Review Letter to CON for Halifax Expanded Services to Gates and Vance County (2024-04-

19 - SUBMITTAL).pdf

Tiffany,

We just received this No Review Request.

Thanks,

Greg

Sincerely,

Gregory F. Yakaboski

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From: Timothy J. Walsh <TWalsh@libertyseniorliving.com>

Sent: Friday, April 19, 2024 8:42 AM

To: Hale, Gloria <gloria.hale@dhhs.nc.gov>; Yakaboski, Greg <greg.yakaboski@dhhs.nc.gov>

Subject: [External] No Review Request by Liberty Healthcare Group, LLC d/b/a Liberty Home Care VI,

LLC or Liberty Home Care and Hospice (License # HOS5184)

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Good morning Gloria, Greg,

Please find attached a request of no review for the provision of hospice home care services to Gates and Vance County residents by Liberty Healthcare Group, LLC d/b/a Liberty Home Care VI, LLC or Liberty Home Care and Hospice (License # HOS5184).

Please let me know if you need any additional information. Thanks!

Regards,

Timothy J. Walsh

Director of Business Development Liberty Senior Living

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