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VIA EMAIL ONLY

April 11, 2025

Ms. Denise Gunter

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Exempt from Review – Physician Office or Medical Office Building

Record #: 4749

Date of Request: April 7, 2025

Business Name: Scotland Memorial Hospital, Inc.

Business #: 1638

Project Description: Develop a medical office building

County: Scotland

Dear Ms. Gunter:

The Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section, Division of Health Service Regulation (Agency), determined that the project described above is exempt from certificate of need review in accordance with G.S. 131E-184(a)(9). Therefore, you may proceed to offer, develop or establish the project described above without a certificate of need.

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,

Tanya M. Saporito

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Chief

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April 7, 2025

Via E-mail

Micheala Mitchell, Chief
North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
Division of Health Service Regulation
Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section
809 Ruggles Drive
Raleigh, North Carolina 27603

Re: MOB Exemption for Scotland Memorial Hospital, Laurinburg, North Carolina
(Health Service Area V)

Dear Ms. Mitchell:

On behalf of Scotland Memorial Hospital in Laurinburg, North Carolina, and pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 131E-184(a)(9), I am writing to provide the Agency with prior written notice of Scotland Memorial Hospital's intention to develop a medical office building ("MOB") at 501 Lauchwood Drive in Laurinburg. Scotland Memorial Hospital will own the MOB. The MOB will be used for office visits with Scotland Memorial Hospital's general surgeons for all of their consults, as well as pre- and post-surgery visits. No new institutional health services, as defined in N.C. Gen. Stat. § 131E-176(16), will be offered or developed in the MOB. The proposed MOB will offer a convenient and accessible location for patients to meet with their surgeons away from the main hospital building.

N.C. Gen. Stat. § 131E-184(a)(9) provides that upon prior written notice, the Agency shall exempt from CON review an entity's proposal:

[t]o develop or acquire a physician office building regardless of cost, unless a new institutional health service other than defined in G.S. 131E-176(16)b. is offered or developed in the building.

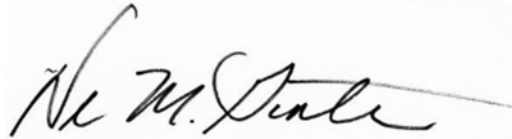
Scotland Memorial Hospital's proposed MOB meets the requirements of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 131E-184(a)(9). Accordingly, we respectfully request that the Agency confirm that the proposal described in this letter is exempt from CON review.

Micheala Mitchell
April 7, 2025
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Please let me know if you have any questions or need further information.

Thank you for your time and attention. With best personal regards.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Denise M. Gunter", written in a cursive style.

Denise M. Gunter

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Good morning. I hope you had a nice weekend. Attached for processing is an exemption letter for Scotland Memorial Hospital. Could you please confirm that you have received it?

Thanks.



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