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VIA EMAIL ONLY

September 12, 2025

Mary Lucas mlucas@transitionslifecare.org

No Review

Record #: 4908

Date of Request: August 26, 2025 Facility Name: Transitions LifeCare

FID #: 980041

Business Name: Hospice of Wake County

Business #: 1001

Project Description: Provide hospice home services to residents of Lee County

County: Wake

Dear Ms. Lucas:

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.

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

Sincerely.

Cynthia Bradford, Project Analyst

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Micheala Mitchell, Chief

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





August 26, 2025

To Whom it May Concern,

Transitions LifeCare would like to request an exemption to expand hospice services to Lee County. We currently serve Harnett and Chatham Counties, which border Lee, and have a few patients who have requested services in Lee County.

Our program is registered as:

Hospice of Wake County (dba Transitions LifeCare) FID number: 56-1228779

Point of Contact: Mary Lucas, 919-828-0890

Thank you.

Sincerely, Mary Lucas Vice President of Strategy



From: Bradford, Cynthia L

To: Stancil, Tiffany C

Subject: FW: [External] Request for hospice Transitions LifeCare

Date: Wednesday, August 27, 2025 7:01:52 AM

Attachments: image001.pnq

Request for hospice Transitions LifeCare.docx

Good Morning Tiffany,

Forwarding this to you to get it logged. I have already processed the request and sent to Mike.

Thanks!

Cynthia Bradford, MSW

Project Analyst - Certificate of Need

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(I work remotely on Thursdays and Fridays, therefore email is the best way to reach me on those days.)

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From: Mary Lucas <mlucas@transitionslifecare.org>

Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2025 9:55 AM

To: Bradford, Cynthia L < cynthia.bradford@dhhs.nc.gov> **Subject:** [External] Request for hospice Transitions LifeCare

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Good morning, Cynthia.

Please see attached. We have seen an increase in hospice patient requests since we already

drive through Lee Co. to get to patients we serve currently in Harnett and Chatham Counties (both fully border Lee). For efficiency, and to meet the increasing demand of patients calling in who live on the line in Sanford, we would like to submit the attached request.

Thank you.

Mary

Mary Lucas, MSHCM

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