

Single-Specialty Ambulatory Surgery Facilities Demonstration Project Evaluation
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Criteria from 2010 State Medical Facilities Plan, Table 6D	Three Basic Principles		
	Safety/ Quality	Access	Value
1. Establish need determination for three new separately licensed single specialty ambulatory surgical facilities with two operating rooms each in the Triad, Triangle, and Charlotte area. (Completed)			✓
2. In choosing among competing demonstration project facilities, [the Agency will] give priority to facilities that are owned wholly or in part by physicians.			✓
3. Demonstration project facilities shall provide care to self-pay and Medicaid patients, such that the percentage of the facility's total collected revenue that is attributed to self-pay and Medicaid revenue shall be at least seven percent.		✓	
4. Demonstration project facilities shall report utilization and payment data to the statewide data processor as required by G.S. 131E-214.2.		✓	
5. Demonstration project facilities shall complete a "Surgical Safety Checklist (adapted for use in the US)" before each surgery is performed.	✓		
6. Each demonstration project facility shall develop a system to measure and report patient outcomes to the Agency for the purpose of monitoring the quality of care provided in the facility.	✓		
7. Demonstration project facilities shall submit annual reports to the Agency regarding the results of patient outcome measures.	✓		
8. Demonstration project facilities are encouraged to develop systems that will enhance communication and ease data collection, for example, electronic medical records that support interoperability with other providers.	✓	✓	✓
9. Demonstration project facilities are encouraged to provide open access to physicians.		✓	
10. Physicians affiliated with the demonstration project facilities are required to establish or maintain hospital staff privileges with at least one hospital and to begin or continue meeting Emergency Department coverage responsibilities with at least one hospital.	✓		
11. Physicians affiliated with the demonstration project facilities are required to provide annually to the Agency data related to meeting their hospital staff privilege and Emergency Department coverage responsibilities.	✓		
12. Facilities shall obtain a license no later than two years from the date of issuance of the certificate of need.		✓	✓
13. Facilities will provide annual reports to the Agency showing the facility's compliance with the demonstration project criteria in the [2010] State Medical Facilities Plan.	✓	✓	✓

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Action Plan

- Step 1. Hypothesis: Physician-owned, separately licensed, single-specialty ambulatory surgery facilities meet the three Basic Principles of Safety/Quality, Access and Value, as described in the North Carolina 2010 State Medical Facilities Plan (SMFP).
- Step 2. Division of Health Service Regulation (DHSR) Planning staff will establish an action plan and protocol for evaluation of the Demonstration Project facilities according to the Demonstration Project Criteria listed in the 2010 SMFP. The Acute Care Services Committee and the State Health Coordinating Council will review the plan and protocol.
- Step 3. DHSR Planning staff will orient the Demonstration Project facility staff regarding the Agency evaluation protocol, data gathering methods, reports and deadlines.
- Step 4. Demonstration Project facility staff will conduct evaluation activities and submit reports, as agreed upon, to the Agency.
- Step 5. Planning staff will prepare reports annually for the Acute Care Services Committee and the State Health Coordinating Council.