

March 5, 2013

Mr. Jerry Parks State Health Coordinating Council, Committee Chair NC Division of Health Services Regulations 2714 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699

RE: Letter of Support for Residential Services Inc. Proposal to transfer ICF/IDD beds from state operated Developmental Centers to Spring Glen ICF/IDD facility

Dear Mr. Parks:

I am the Chief Executive Officer for Cardinal Innovations Healthcare Solutions. Cardinal Innovations is the Local Management Entity (LME) that connects providers of mental health, substance use disorders and intellectual and developmental disability to individuals who need treatment and services in the communities of Orange, Pearson and Chatham counties.

As such, we already have an existing relationship with Residential Services' Spring Glen facility and support their request to transfer 10 ICF-IDD beds from the Developmental Centers to replace the beds that were previously funded through the NC Innovations waiver prior to the CMS change in regulation. The current contract between Cardinal Innovations Healthcare Solutions and Residential Services Inc. is up to date and the terms will continue to extend to the new ICF-IDD beds once they are operational.

Spring Glen is an ICF-IDD facility which focuses services on individuals 55 years of age and older. There are limited specialized services available to individuals with IDD that are offered in an ICF-IDD setting. The transfer of the proposed beds will allow Spring Glen to continue to offer specialty services to individuals who were previously funded through the NC Innovations waiver.

Please convey to the Certificate of Need Section at the North Carolina Division of Health Services Regulation, the approval and enthusiastic support of Residential Service's proposal to transfer 10 ICF-IDD beds from the Developmental Centers to their facility.

Sincerely,

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Cc: Carol Steckel-Director Division of Medical Assistance Drexdal Pratt-Director of Health Services Regulation

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