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PUBLIC NOTICE

Four Applicants Compete for Acute Care Beds in Wake County

RALEIGH — Four applicants have filed eight certificate of need applications with the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services to develop acute care beds in response to the need determination in the 2025 State Medical Facilities Plan for 267 acute care beds in Wake County.

WakeMed proposes three projects:

- Develop 164 additional acute care beds at WakeMed Raliegh Campus. The project is expected to cost \$429.6 million and would be completed in October 2032.
- Develop 25 additional acute care beds at WakeMed North Hospital, which is a change in scope to Project ID# J-12419-23. The project is expected to cost \$27.9 million and would be completed in October 2029.
- Develop 78 additional acute care beds at WakeMed Garner Hospital which is a change in scope to Project ID# J-12264-22. The project is expected to cost \$272.5 million and would be completed in October 2028.

Rex Hospital Inc proposes two projects:

- Develop 106 additional acute care beds at UNC Health Rex. The project is expected to cost \$98.4 million and would be completed in November 2030.
- Develop a new acute care hospital in Wake Forest — UNC Health Rex Wake Forest Hospital — with 50 acute care beds. The proposed project is expected to cost \$485.5 million and would be completed in July 2031.

Novant Health Inc and Novant Health Knightdale Medical Center LLC propose one project:

- Develop a new acute care hospital in Knightdale — Novant Health Knightdale Medical Center — with 26 acute care beds. The project is expected to cost \$254.7 million and would be completed in January 2030.

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Duke University Health System Inc. proposes two projects:

- Develop 120 additional acute care beds at Duke Cary Hospital which is a change of scope to Project ID #J-12029-21. The proposed project is expected to cost \$986.2 million and 111 acute care beds would be completed in July 2029, and 49 acute care beds would be completed in July 2031.
- Develop 101 additional acute care beds at Duke Raleigh Hospital. The project is expected to cost \$29 million and 29 acute care beds would be completed in December 2026; 36 acute care beds would be completed in July 2028; and 36 acute care beds would be completed in July 2029.

A public hearing for these projects will be held Oct. 20, 2025, at 10 a.m. in Room #3, McKimmon Conference & Training Center, 1101 Gorman St. in Raleigh.

Anyone may file written comments concerning this proposal. Comments must be received by the Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section no later than 5 p.m. on Oct. 1, 2025.

Comments may be submitted as an attachment to an email if they are sent to DHSR.CON.Comments@dhhs.nc.gov. Comments may also be mailed to the following address:

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