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VIA EMAIL ONLY

August 13, 2021

Adam McConnell amcconnell@granvillemedical.com

Exempt from Review – Replacement Equipment

Record #: 3627

Date of Request: July 29, 2021

Facility Name: Granville Health System

FID #: 943195

Business Name: Granville Medical Center

Business #: 841

Project Description: Temporarily replace an existing fixed CT scanner with a mobile CT scanner

while the existing CT scanner is repaired

County: Granville

Dear Mr. McConnell:

The Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section, Division of Health Service Regulation (Agency), determined that the above referenced project is exempt from certificate of need review in accordance with G.S. 131E-184(a)(7). Therefore, you may proceed to acquire without a certificate of need the GE Lightspeed 16 (Serial #98809YM9) mobile CT scanner to temporarily replace the Siemens Somatom Perspective 64 Slice (Serial #59390) CT scanner until the existing fixed CT scanner is repaired. This determination is based on your representations that the temporary mobile unit will be sold or otherwise disposed of and will not be used again in the State without first obtaining a certificate of need if one is required.

It should be noted that the 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 this office and a separate determination. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

Kim Meymandi

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Project Analyst

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Chief, Certificate of Need

cc: Radiation Protection Section, DHSR

Construction Section, DHSR

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July 29, 2021

Ms. Micheala Mitchell, Chief Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section Division of Health Service Regulation 2704 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-2704

RE: Temporary Equipment Replacement for Granville Health System's CT Scanner

Dear Ms. Mitchell:

The purpose of this letter is to request that Granville Health System ("GHS") be permitted to temporarily utilize one out-of-state mobile CT scanner in place of its existing fixed CT scanner. GHS has experienced multiple episodes of downtime for its sole CT scanner and the vendor proposes to bring a temporary mobile CT scanner in to use while it diagnoses the issue with the fixed CT scanner. GHS hopes this process can be resolved in a few weeks or sooner.

As the only hospital in Granville County, GHS believes it is vital to provide CT services to its patients while its existing CT scanner is being repaired. To ensure continued care to patients, GHS intends to contract with Shared Imaging, LLC to bring a mobile CT scanner to GHS from another state. The mobile scanner is a GE Lightspeed 16 (Serial No. 988409YM9). Upon completion of the diagnosis and repairs to the existing fixed CT scanner, and once GHS is able to utilize its own CT scanner again, the vendor will remove the mobile CT scanner from the state. At no time will GHS scan patients on more than one CT scanner.

No construction or other capital costs will be necessary to provide the temporary service. GHS understands that the costs for leasing the temporary mobile scanner are considered operational costs by the Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section; as such, GHS is not requesting that any costs for the temporary replacement be reviewed. GHS merely requests confirmation that it may temporarily use the out-of-state mobile CT in place of its fixed CT scanner.

GHS has an immediate need to begin this work to repair its existing CT scanner, so please let me know if I can provide any additional information to expedite our request.

Sincerely,

Adam McConnell Chief Financial Officer From: Daniel Carter

To: Meymandi, Kimberly

Cc: Waller, Martha K

Subject: [External] Temporary CT Replacement

Date: Thursday, July 29, 2021 10:17:38 AM

Attachments: GHS Temporary CT Replacement Letter.pdf

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Kim,

Good morning. On behalf of my client, Granville Health System, please see the attached letter. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Also, I realize it's not on the letter, so Mr. McConnell's email is amcconnell@granvillemedical.com.

Thank you.

Daniel

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From: <u>Daniel Carter</u>
To: <u>Meymandi, Kimberly</u>

Subject: RE: [External] Temporary CT Replacement Date: Monday, August 9, 2021 12:57:12 PM

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Kim.

I have the information from the hospital. Please see below:

Make: Siemens

Model: Somatom Perspective 64 Slice

Serial Number: 59390

Is this sufficient, or do you need a more formal letter?

Thank you. Daniel

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Sent: Monday, August 9, 2021 10:36 AM

To: Daniel Carter <danielcarter@ascendient.com> **Subject:** RE: [External] Temporary CT Replacement

Good morning Daniel,

Hope you had a great weekend. Just wanted to send to a friendly reminder that we still need the specifications for the existing CT scanner.

Thanks

Kim

Kim Meymandi

Project Analyst, Certificate of Need

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From: Daniel Carter < <u>danielcarter@ascendient.com</u>>

Sent: Tuesday, August 3, 2021 8:04 PM

To: Meymandi, Kimberly <<u>kim.meymandi@dhhs.nc.gov</u>>

Subject: RE: [External] Temporary CT Replacement

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Thanks, Kim.

I'm working to get this from the hospital.

Daniel

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Hi Daniel,

On this request, we need the existing CT scanner specifications, to include the make, model number and serial number.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

Kim

Kim Meymandi

Project Analyst, Certificate of Need

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