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RESPONSE REQUIRED

December 18, 2018

Esther Fleming 2321 W. Morehead Street Charlotte, NC 28208

Conditional Approval

Project ID #:

N-11588-18

Facility:

Robeson County Dialysis

Project Description:

Develop a new 10-station dialysis facility by relocating 4 existing stations

from Maxton Dialysis and six existing from Dialysis Care of Hoke County

County:

Robeson

FID #:

180470

Dear Ms. Fleming:

The Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section, Division of Health Service Regulation (Agency) has conditionally approved the above referenced certificate of need application. This decision was made after a review of the applications submitted for this cycle and after consideration of the Certificate of Need Law, N.C. Gen. Stat. §131E-175 et. seq. and regulations promulgated there under, the State Medical Facilities Plan, and other applicable information. Attached to this letter are the required findings made with respect to your application. The applicant shall not proceed with the construction, offering or development of this project until the certificate of need is issued. Further, the Agency shall not issue the certificate of need until all applicable conditions of approval have been met pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §131E-187(a). The conditions are as follows:

- 1. Total Renal Care of North Carolina, LLC d/b/a Robeson County Dialysis shall materially comply with all representations made in the certificate of need application.
- 2. Pursuant to Policy ESRD-2, Total Renal Care of North Carolina, LLC d/b/a Robeson County Dialysis shall develop a new kidney disease treatment center to be known as Robeson County Dialysis by relocating no more than four dialysis stations from Maxton Dialysis and no more than six dialysis stations from Dialysis Care of Hoke County.

NC DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES • DIVISION OF HEALTH SERVICE REGULATION
HEALTHCARE PLANNING AND CERTIFICATE OF NEED SECTION

LOCATION: 809 Ruggles Drive, Edgerton Building, Raleigh, NC 27603 MAILING ADDRESS: 2701 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-2701 www.ncdhhs.gov/dhsr/ • TEL: 919-855-3750 • FAX: 919-733-2757

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- 3. Upon completion of this project, DaVita, Inc. shall take the necessary steps to decertify four dialysis stations at Maxton Dialysis for a total of no more than ten dialysis stations at Maxton Dialysis.
- 4. Upon completion of this project, DaVita, Inc. shall take the necessary steps to decertify six dialysis stations at Dialysis Care of Hoke County for a total of no more than 18 dialysis stations at Dialysis Care of Hoke County.
- 5. Total Renal Care of North Carolina, LLC d/b/a Robeson County Dialysis shall acknowledge acceptance of and agree to comply with all conditions stated herein to the Agency in writing prior to issuance of the certificate of need.

Response to the above conditions should be submitted to the Agency no later than 35 days from the date of the decision. Failure to respond within this time period may result in the Agency making a determination not to issue a certificate of need for the project referenced above.

The conditional approval is valid only for a capital expenditure of \$2,241,133. If a cost overrun occurs that exceeds the approved capital expenditure amount, a new certificate of need may be required as determined by N.C. Gen. Stat. §131E-176(16)(e).

The applicant should be aware that according to the Certificate of Need law any affected person shall have thirty (30) days after the date of decision to file a petition for a contested case on this approval. Further, if you are aggrieved by the conditions of the decision you may file a petition for a contested case hearing in accordance with N.C. Gen. Stat. §150B, Article 3, as amended. This petition must be filed with the Office of Administrative Hearings, 6714 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-6714 within thirty (30) days of the date of this decision. [Note: Effective October 1, 2009, OAH requires a filing fee with submittal of petitions for contested cases. Please direct all questions regarding this fee to OAH Clerk's Office (919-431-3000).]

N.C. Gen. Stat. §150B-23 provides that a party filing a petition must also serve a copy of the petition on all parties to the petition. Therefore, if you file a petition for a contested case hearing, you must serve a copy of the petition on the Department of Health and Human Services by mailing a copy of your petition to:

Lisa G. Corbett

Department of Health and Human Services,
Office of Legal Affairs,
Adams Building – Room 154
2001 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, North Carolina, 27699-2001

It is requested that a copy of the petition also be served on the Agency.

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The certificate of need will not be issued before the completion of this 30 day period ending January 17, 2019. If a contested case request is received within the thirty (30) day period, the certificate will not be issued until the appeal is resolved (10A NCAC 14C .0208).

The timetable for completion of the project is the timetable outlined in the certificate of need application, unless an adjustment has been made by the Agency because the review period was extended. The timetable for this project is as follows:

1.	25% of Construction/Renovation Completed	
	(25% of the cost is in place)	June 1, 2019
2.	Construction/Renovation Completed	October 15, 2019
3.	Building/Space Occupied	December 2, 2019
4.	Services Offered	January 1, 2020
5.	Medicare and/or Medicaid Certification Obtained	January 1, 2020

If the decision is appealed, the timetable set forth in this letter will be adjusted accordingly before the Certificate of Need is issued. Please contact this office if any clarification of this decision is required.

Please refer to the Project ID # and Facility ID # (FID) in all correspondence.

Sincerely,

Julie M. Faenza Project Analyst

Fatimah Wilson Team Leader

Attachment

cc: Acute & Home Care Licensure & Certification Section, DHSR

Melinda Boyette, Administrative Assistant, Healthcare Planning, DHSR

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that the undersigned has this day served the foregoing **Conditional Approval** upon the following by depositing a copy hereof, postage prepaid, in the United States mail, addressed as follows:

Esther Fleming 2321 W. Morehead Street Charlotte, NC 28208 Project ID #: N-11588-18

This the 18th day of December, 2018.

Julie M. Faenza, Project Analyst