



NC DEPARTMENT OF
**HEALTH AND
HUMAN SERVICES**

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March 27, 2026

Graham Fields
UNC HCS Hedrick Building
100 Hospital Drive
Hendersonville, NC 28792

Disapproval

Project ID #: B-12716-25
Facility: AdventHealth Asheville
Project Description: Change of scope for Project ID# B-12233-22 (Develop a new 67-bed acute care hospital) and Project ID# B-12526-24 (Develop 26 additional acute care beds) to develop no more than 129 additional acute care beds pursuant to the 2025 SMFP need determination for a total of no more than 222 acute care beds
County: Buncombe
FID #: 220475

Last Date to Appeal: April 27, 2026

Required State Agency Findings: Enclosed

Dear Graham Fields:

The Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section, Division of Health Service Regulation (Agency) has disapproved the above referenced certificate of need application.

The applicant or any person aggrieved by this decision may file a petition for a contested case hearing in accordance with G.S. 150B, Article 3. 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. Effective October 1, 2009, OAH requires a filing fee with submittal of petitions for contested cases. Please direct all questions regarding this fee to the OAH Clerk's Office (919-431-3000).

G.S. 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:

Julie Cronin
Department of Health and Human Services,
Office of Legal Affairs,
2001 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, North Carolina, 27699-2001

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

In accordance with G.S. 131E-188(a1), as a condition precedent to proceeding with a contested case hearing on the approval of an applicant for a certificate of need, the petitioner shall deposit a bond with the clerk of superior court where the new institutional health service that is the subject of the petition is

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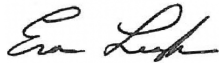
LOCATION: 1915 Health Services Way, Raleigh, NC 27607
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proposed to be located. The bond shall be secured by cash or its equivalent in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the cost of the proposed new institutional health service that is the subject to the petition, but may not be less than five thousand dollars (\$5,000) and may not exceed fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000). Moreover, the applicant who received approval for the new institutional health service that is the subject of the petition may bring an action against a bond filed under this subsection in the superior court of the county where the bond was filed. Upon finding the petition for a contested case was frivolous or filed to delay the applicant, the court may award the applicant part or all of the bond filed.

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

Sincerely,



Ena Lightbourne
Project Analyst



Gloria C. Hale
Team Leader

Enclosure: Required State Agency Findings