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VIA EMAIL ONLY

September 16, 2020

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**Exempt from Review – Physician Office**

**Record #:** 3353  
**Business Name:** Duke University Health System, Inc.  
**Business #:** 640  
**Project Description:** Develop a physician office building at 1011 New Rand Road in Garner  
**County:** Wake

Dear Ms. Cummer:

The Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section, Division of Health Service Regulation (Agency), determined that based on your letter of September 8, 2020, the above referenced proposal is exempt from certificate of need review in accordance with N.C. Gen. Stat. §131E-184(a)(9). Therefore, you may proceed to offer, develop or establish the above referenced project without a certificate of need.

However, you need to contact the Agency's Construction and the Acute and Home Care Licensure and Certification Sections to determine if they have any requirements for development of the proposed physician office.

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

Sincerely,

Michael J. McKillip  
Project Analyst

Martha J. Frisone  
Chief

cc: Construction Section, DHSR  
Acute and Home Care Licensure and Certification Section, DHSR

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September 8, 2020

Via Electronic Mail

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Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section  
Division of Health Service Regulation  
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Re: Duke University Health System notice of development of physician office building

Dear Ms. Frisone:

I am writing to inform you of the intended development by the Duke University Health System, Inc. of a physician office building in Wake County, located at 1011 New Rand Road in Garner.

Duke intends to develop this building to house physician services needed to expand geographic access for patients in this part of the county. No new institutional health services will be offered in this building without first filing any required certificate of need application. We therefore understand that this project is exempt from certificate of need review as the development of a physician office building under N.C.G.S. 131E-184(a)(9), and would appreciate your confirmation of this understanding.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you very much.

Very truly yours,

*Catharine W. Cummer*

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**From:** [Catharine Cummer](#)  
**To:** [Frisone, Martha](#); [Waller, Martha K](#)  
**Cc:** [Lara Orgain](#)  
**Subject:** [External] Notice of Exempt Development/Physician Office Building  
**Date:** Tuesday, September 8, 2020 11:55:21 AM  
**Attachments:** [Letter to Martha Frisone regarding Garner MOB 2020.pdf](#)

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Please see attached and let me know if you have any questions. Thanks very much.

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