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VIA EMAIL ONLY

August 31, 2021

Kristy Hubard
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No Review

Record #: 3669
Date of Request: August 20, 2021
Facility Name: Novant Health New Hanover Regional Medical Center
FID #: 943372
Business Name: Novant Health New Hanover Regional Medical Center, LLC
Business #: 3330
Project Description: Acquire portable CT scanner
County: New Hanover

Dear Ms. Hubard:

The Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section, Division of Health Service Regulation (Agency) received your correspondence regarding the project described above. Based on the CON law in effect on the date of this response to your request, the project as described is not governed by, and therefore, does not currently require a certificate of need. If the CON law is subsequently amended such that the above referenced proposal would require a certificate of need, this determination does not authorize you to proceed to develop the above referenced proposal when the new law becomes effective.

This determination is binding only for the facts represented in your correspondence. If changes are made in the project or in the facts provided in the correspondence referenced above, a new determination as to whether a certificate of need is required would need to be made by this office.

Please do not hesitate to contact this office if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Tanya M. Saporito

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Micheala Mitchell
Chief

cc: Acute and Home Care Licensure and Certification Section, DHSR
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Ms. Micheala Mitchell, Chief  
Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section  
Division of Health Service Regulation  
NC Department of Health and Human Services  
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RE: Request for Exemption to Certificate of Need Review for Acquisition of a Portable CT Scanner  
/ New Hanover County  
FID # 943372

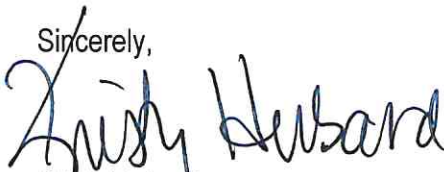
Dear Ms. Mitchell,

This letter is intended to provide advance notice to the Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need ("CON") Section that Novant Health New Hanover Regional Medical Center ("NHNHRMC") is planning to acquire medical equipment, specifically, a portable CT scanner for use in the hospital. The total cost of the medical equipment is \$480,800. There are no other project costs associated with the acquisition of the medical equipment.

Under the CON statute, CT scanning equipment is not specifically subject to CON review unless the cost of acquiring the equipment meets the \$750,000 threshold for "Major Medical Equipment" set forth in N.C.G.S. 131E-176(14o). Here the cost of the equipment, including all costs to make the equipment operational, will not exceed \$750,000. Accordingly, NHNHRMC requests that the Section issue a written determination confirming that its proposed acquisition of a portable CT scanner to be located on its main campus is not subject to CON review.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (910) 667-5908.

Sincerely,



Kristy Hubbard  
Chief Strategy Officer  
Novant Health New Hanover Regional Medical Center