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VIA EMAIL ONLY

March 14, 2023

Taylor Bentley
tbentley@bayada.com

Exempt from Review – Acquisition of Facility

Record #: 4162
Date of Request: February 1, 2023
Facility Name: Healthkeeperz, Inc.
Type of Facility: Home health agency
FID #: 933839
Acquisition by: BAYADA Home Health Care, Inc.
Business #: 2661
County: Cumberland

Dear Mr. Bentley:

The Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section, Division of Health Service Regulation (Agency) determined that the project described above is exempt from certificate of need (CON) review in accordance with G.S. 131E-184(a)(8). Therefore, the above referenced business may proceed to acquire the health service facility identified above without first obtaining a CON. The Agency’s determination is limited to the question of whether the above referenced business would have to obtain a CON if the current owners of the health service facility do in fact sell it to the business listed above. Note that pursuant to G.S. 131E-181(b): “A recipient of a certificate of need, or any person who may subsequently acquire, in any manner whatsoever permitted by law, the service for which that certificate of need was issued, is required to materially comply with the representations made in its application for that certificate of need.”

If the business listed above does acquire the facility, you should contact the Agency’s Acute and Home Care Licensure and Certification Section to obtain instructions for changing ownership of the existing facility.

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 this Agency and a separate determination regarding whether a certificate of need would be required. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

[Handwritten signature of Tanya M. Saporito]

Tanya M. Saporito
Project Analyst

[Handwritten signature of Micheala Mitchell]

Micheala Mitchell
Chief

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

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February 1, 2023

**VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL AND U.S. MAIL**

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Ms. Micheala Mitchell, Chief  
North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services  
Division of Health Service Regulation  
Health Planning and Certificate of Need Section  
2704 Mail Service Center  
Raleigh, NC 27699-2704

**Re: Exemption Notice for Acquisition of Home Health Operations of HealthKeeperz, Inc. (License Numbers HC0359/HC0403)**

Dear Ms. Mitchell:

I am writing on behalf BAYADA Home Health Care, Inc. (the “Company”) to provide notice to the N.C. Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Health Service Regulation, Certificate of Need Section (the “Agency”) of Company’s intent to acquire the home health operations of Healthkeeperz, Inc. (the “Seller”) (License Numbers HC0359 and HC0403) (the “Transaction”). For your convenience, we have included a copies of the licenses with this letter.

The parties are working towards closing in March. As you know, the CON law provides that upon receiving prior written notice, the CON Section shall exempt from CON review the acquisition of “an existing health service facility, including equipment owned by the health service facility at the time of acquisition.” N.C. Gen. Stat. § 131E-184(a)(8). A home health agency office is a health service facility. Id. at § 131E-176(9b). The Transaction will not result in the development or establishment of any new health service facility, nor will it result in the offering, development, or establishment of any institutional health service that is not exempt in connection with this Transaction.

I would therefore ask to receive written confirmation that the acquisition of the home health operations listed above is exempt from CON review. The Company is also in communication with the Acute and Home Care Licensure and Certification Section as well as the Division of Medical Assistance regarding this Transaction and will be providing notifications to them separately. To the extent you have any questions regarding the Transaction, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at [tbentley@bayada.com](mailto:tbentley@bayada.com). Please also copy the Seller’s counsel, Erin Roberts, on any correspondence related to this matter at the following address [erin@robertslawnc.com](mailto:erin@robertslawnc.com).

Enclosures

Sincerely,

cc: Erin J. Roberts (via electronic mail)

*Taylor Bentley*  
Taylor Bentley, Associate General Counsel  
BAYADA Home Health Care, Inc

# State of North Carolina

Department of Health and Human Services  
Division of Health Service Regulation

*Effective January 19, 2023, this license is issued to*

***HealthKeeperz, Inc.***

*to operate an agency known as*

***HealthKeeperz***

*located at 4155 Ferncreek Drive  
Fayetteville, NC 28314  
County: Cumberland*

*This license is issued subject to the statutes of the  
State of North Carolina, is not transferable and shall expire  
midnight December 31, 2023*

***Facility ID: 933839***

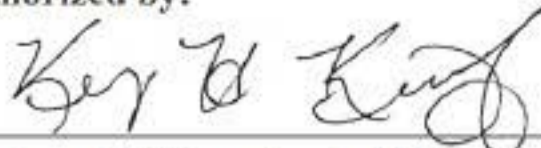
***License Number: HC0359***

***Home Care Services:***

*Companion, Sitter and Respite, In-Home Aide, Infusion Nursing, Medical Social Services, Nursing Care, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Speech Therapy, Clinical Respiratory Services (including Pulmonary or Ventilation if provided separately from routine nursing practice).*

*This agency is authorized to provide Medicare-certified home health services.*

Authorized by:



Secretary, N.C. Department of Health and  
Human Services



Director, Division of Health Service Regulation

# State of North Carolina

Department of Health and Human Services  
Division of Health Service Regulation

*Effective January 1, 2023, this license is issued to*

***HealthKeeperz, Inc.***

*to operate an agency known as*

***HEALTHKEEPERZ***

*located at 609 Lauchwood Drive  
Laurinburg, NC 28352  
County: Scotland*

*This license is issued subject to the statutes of the  
State of North Carolina, is not transferable and shall expire  
midnight December 31, 2023*

***Facility ID: 954117***

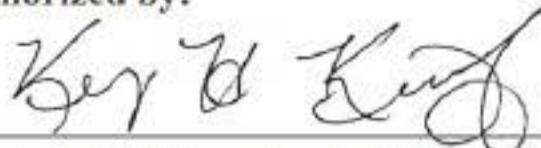
***License Number: HC0403***

***Home Care Services:***

*Companion, Sitter and Respite, Durable Medical Equipment, In-Home Aide,  
Infusion Nursing, Medical Social Services, Nursing Care, Occupational Therapy,  
Physical Therapy, Speech Therapy, Clinical Respiratory Services (including  
Pulmonary or Ventilation if provided separately from routine nursing practice)*

*This agency is authorized to provide Medicare-certified home health services.*

Authorized by:



Secretary, N.C. Department of Health and  
Human Services



Director, Division of Health Service Regulation

**From:** [Mitchell, Micheala L](#)  
**To:** [Stancil, Tiffany C](#)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] License Numbers HC0359/HC0403  
**Date:** Monday, February 6, 2023 2:15:30 PM  
**Attachments:** [BAYADA Notice to CON Section + Certificates.pdf](#)

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This came last week....I am just going through my flagged items now. Would you mind logging as an exemption and assigning to Tanya?

Thanks,

**Micheala Mitchell, JD**  
(*she/her/hers*)  
Section Chief, Healthcare Planning and CON Section  
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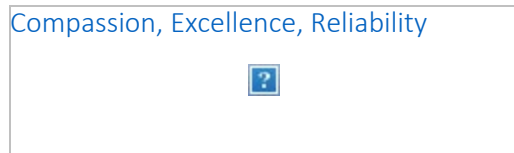
Bayada Home Health Care, Inc. is in negotiations to acquire the home health operations of Healthkeeperz, Inc. License Numbers HC0359/HC0403. If you haven't already, you will shortly receive a physical copy of our Exemption Notice for Acquisition, but attached please find an electronic copy as well. As noted in the letter please feel free to contact me or seller's counsel, cc'ed, if you have any questions.

Best,  
Taylor

**Taylor Bentley, FACHE**

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