

Acute Care Services Committee  
April 8, 2009

**Agency Report**

Petition: Affordable Health Care Facilities, LLC  
*2010 Proposed State Medical Facilities Plan*

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*Petitioner:*

Affordable Health Care Facilities, LLC  
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*Request:*

The petitioner requests that the State Health Coordinating Council (SHCC), North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services and the North Carolina Division of Health Service Regulation (DHSR) require that prior to submission to DHSR, License Renewal Applications be reviewed and approved by Licensed Certified Public Accountants or be certified in the same way as Medicare Cost Reports are certified.

*Background Information:*

Chapter 2 of the Plan allows petitioners early each calendar year to recommend changes that may have a statewide effect. According to the Plan, "Changes with the potential for a statewide effect are the addition, deletion, and revision of policies and revision of the projection methodologies." The petitioner is not requesting changing a State Medical Facilities Plan policy nor is the petitioner requesting changing a methodology.

*Analysis/Implications:*

It is the Agency's view that the content, structure and signature requirements for the License Renewal Applications are within the purview of the Division of Health Service Regulation and not within the purview of the State Health Coordinating Council.

*Agency Recommendation:*

In consideration of the above, the Agency recommends denial of the petition by the SHCC, and forwarding the suggestion to the Division of Health Service Regulation Director.