



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

September 4, 2012

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Kristopher Kitz, Director
Strategic Planning and business Development
MultiCare Health System
315 Martin Luther King Jr. Way
Post Office Box 5299
Tacoma, Washington 98415-0299

Dear Mr. Kitz:

This responds to your letter requesting a six-month extension to Certificate of Need (CN) #1437. CN #1437 was issued on January 7, 2011, approving the construction of a new 58-bed hospital in Covington.

In support of your request, you provided a copy of the working drawing that had been submitted to Construction Review Services.¹ Based on these documents provided, your request for an extension is granted. Certificate of Need #1437E is enclosed.

Certificate of Need #1437E extends the expiration date from January 7, 2013 to July 7, 2013. We monitor projects until completed or the expiration date, whichever occurs last. We do this with quarterly progress reports. At least 30 days before the report's due date, you will receive a form to complete and return.

If you have any question, please contact Janis Sigman, Manager of the Certificate of Need Program at (360) 236-2955.

Sincerely,


Steven M. Saxe, FACHE
Director, Health Professions and Facilities

Enclosure

cc: Linda Foss, Department of Health, Investigations and Inspections Office
Karen Stricklett, Department of Health, Customer Service Office

¹ CRS #60300702





This Certificate is granted under the authority of RCW 70.38. Issuance of this Certificate does not constitute approval under any other local, federal or state statute, implementing rules and regulations. Examples where additional approval may be necessary include, but are not limited to, construction plan approval through the Construction Review Unit of the Department of Health, facility licensing/certification through the Department of Social and Health Services or Department of Health, and other federal or local jurisdiction permits.

Certificate of Need #1437E is issued to:

Legal Name of Applicant: MultiCare Health System
Address of Applicant: 315 Martin Luther King Jr. Way
Tacoma, Washington 98415
Type of Service: Acute Care Hospital
Facility Name: MultiCare Covington Medical Center
Facility Address: 17700 Southeast 272nd Street
Covington, Washington 98042

**ISSUANCE OF THIS CERTIFICATE OF NEED IS BASED ON
THE DEPARTMENT'S RECORD AND EVALUATION OF DECEMBER 21, 2010(CN APP #10-22)
AND DOCUMENTS PROVIDED ON AUGUST 16, 2012, SUPPORTING AN EXTENSION.**

Project Description:

This certificate approves the establishment of a new 58-bed acute care hospital in Covington, Washington.

Service Area

Southeast King County

Approved Capital Expenditure

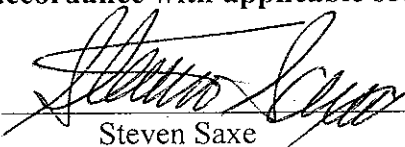
The approved capital expenditure for the project is \$158,516,892.

Term

MultiCare will provide to the department, for review and approval, an executed version of the Admission Policy to be used at the proposed hospital. The adopted policy must specifically address a patient's guaranteed admission without regard to items such as race, ethnicity, national origin, citizenship, age, sex, pre-existing condition, physical or mental status and be consistent with the proposed agreement provided in the application.

This Certificate authorizes commencement of the project from January 7, 2013, to July 7, 2013, unless extended, withdrawn, suspended, or revoked in accordance with applicable sections of the Certificate of Need law and regulations.

Date Certificate Issued: September 4, 2012


Steven Saxe
Director, Health Professions and Facilities

This Certificate is not transferable