



Certificate of Need Update

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The Certificate of Need process is the state's only regulatory mechanism aimed at controlling the development of new health care facilities and services. The purpose of the law is to see that health services are adequately distributed around the state without unnecessary duplication of services or excessive costs to patients.

For information concerning the Certificate of Need program, contact Jana Fussell, Certificate of Need Coordinator, Department of Human Services, 800 NE Oregon Street Suite 930, Portland, OR 97232. Telephone: (971) 673-1108.

Letters of Intent

Samaritan Albany General Hospital, Albany, proposes to develop a freestanding inpatient hospice facility. On April 10, 2008 this project was ruled subject to full review under Certificate of Need law. The applicant will be seeking an abbreviated review of this project.

Decisions

Ascend Health Corporation, a Delaware based company, was issued a final order with conditions on May 5, 2008, granting approval for a 36-bed psychiatric hospital to be located in unincorporated Washington County. An informal hearing was held in regard to this application on April 15, 2008.

Applications under Review

Mirabella at South Waterfront, Portland, proposes to transfer thirty (30) nursing facility beds from Marquis Care at Mt. Tabor to Mirabella at South Waterfront. On April 11, 2008, this project was ruled subject to full review under Certificate of Need law. The Department is evaluating whether this project is eligible for an expedited review.

Holladay Park Plaza, Portland, proposes to transfer thirty (30) nursing facility beds from Laurelhurst Village Investments, LLC to Holladay Park Plaza. On April 24, 2008, this project was ruled subject to full review under Certificate of Need law. The Department is evaluating whether this project is eligible for an expedited review.

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