



STATE OF WASHINGTON

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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August 30, 2016

CERTIFIED MAIL # 7009 0960 0000 5564 6546

Sittlerk Trikalsaransukh, MD
Tri-Cities Endoscopy Center
7114 W Hood Place
Kennewick, Washington 99336

RE: CN Application #16-24

Dear Dr. Trikalsaransukh:

Enclosed is Certificate of Need #1585 issued to Tri-Cities Endoscopy Center approving the establishment of a two-operating room ambulatory surgery center in Kennewick within Benton County.

The certificate is not approval for any other local, federal, or state statutes, rules, or regulations. Such a project may also need Department of Health approval for a construction plan and facility licensing or certification, as well as other federal or local jurisdiction permits.

The Certificate of Need is valid for two years. The project must begin during this time. If there is substantial and continuing progress, we may extend the certificate for one six month period. For an extension, you must submit an extension request at least 120 days before the expiration. You cannot begin a project after the expiration date.

This decision may be appealed. The appeal options are listed below.

Appeal Option 1:

Any person with standing may request a public hearing to reconsider this decision. The request must state the specific reasons for reconsideration in accordance with Washington Administrative Code 246-310-560. A reconsideration request must be received within 28 calendar days from the date of the decision at one of the following addresses:

Mailing Address:
Department of Health
Certificate of Need Program
Mail Stop 47852
Olympia, WA 98504-7852

Physical Address:
Department of Health
Certificate of Need Program
111 Israel Road SE
Tumwater, WA 98501

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Appeal Option 2:

Any person with standing may request an adjudicative proceeding to contest this decision within 28 calendar days from the date of this letter. The notice of appeal must be filed according to the provisions of Revised Code of Washington 34.05 and Washington Administrative Code 246-310-610. A request for an adjudicative proceeding must be received within the 28 days at one of the following addresses:

Mailing Address:

Department of Health
Adjudicative Service Unit
Mail Stop 47879
Olympia, WA 98504-7879

Physical Address:

Department of Health
Adjudicative Service Unit
111 Israel Road SE
Tumwater, WA 98501

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 questions, please contact Janis Sigman, Manager of the Certificate of Need Program at (360) 236-2955.

Sincerely,



Bart Eggen, Acting Director
Office of Community Health Systems

Enclosure



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 #1585 is issued to:

Legal Name of Applicant: Tri-Cities Endoscopy Center, PLLC
Address of Applicant: 7114 W. Hood Place, Kennewick, Washington 99336
Type of Service: Ambulatory Surgery Center
Facility Name: Tri-Cities Endoscopy Center
Facility Address: 7114 W. Hood Place, Kennewick, Washington 99336

ISSUANCE OF THIS CERTIFICATE OF NEED IS BASED ON THE DEPARTMENT'S RECORD AND EVALUATION DATED AUGUST 18, 2016 (CN App #16-24)

Project Description

This certificate approves the establishment of a two-operating room endoscopy ambulatory surgery center in Kennewick, within the Benton and Franklin secondary health services planning area. Services to be provided include diagnostic esophagogastroduodenoscopy with and without biopsy, esophagogastroduodenoscopy with polypectomy, esophagogastroduodenoscopy with dilation, sigmoidoscopy, diagnostic colonoscopy, colonoscopy with biopsy, and colonoscopy with polypectomy. The endoscopy services will be provided to patients age 12 and older.

Service Area

Benton-Franklin Secondary Health Services Planning Area

Conditions

Conditions are identified on page 2

Approved Capital Expenditure

The approved capital expenditure for this project is \$0

This Certificate authorizes commencement of the project from August 30, 2016 to August 30, 2018 unless extended, withdrawn, suspended, or revoked in accordance with applicable sections of the Certificate of Need law and regulations.

Date Certificate Issued: August 30, 2016

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Bart Eggen, Acting Director
Office of Community Health Systems

This Certificate is not transferable

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Conditions

1. Tri-Cities Endoscopy Center, PLLC agrees with the project description as stated above. Tri-Cities Endoscopy Center, PLLC further agrees that any change to the project as described in the project description is a new project that requires a new Certificate of Need.
2. Before commencement of the project, Tri-Cities Endoscopy Center, PLLC must provide to the department for review and approval, an executed copy of the Admission Policy for their ASF. The executed agreement must be consistent with the draft policy provided in the application.
3. The Tri-Cities Endoscopy Center, PLLC will provide charity care in compliance with the charity care policy provided in the application, or any subsequent policies reviewed and approved by the Department of Health. Tri-Cities Endoscopy Center, PLLC will use reasonable efforts to provide charity care at the ASF in an amount comparable to or exceeding the average amount provided by hospitals in the Central Region. Currently, this amount is 2.04% for gross revenue. Tri-Cities Endoscopy Center, PLLC will maintain records at Tri-Cities Endoscopy Center, PLLC documenting the amount of charity care it provides and demonstrating its compliance with its charity care policies.
4. If Tri-Cities Endoscopy Center, PLLC is sold in the future, the ambulatory surgery facility must obtain and maintain Medicare and Medicaid certification and comply with conditions one and three above.