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Janis Sigman, Program Manager  
Department of Health  
Certificate of Need Program  
111 Israel Road SE  
Tumwater, WA 98501

RE: Letter of Intent – Hospice Care Center in Thurston County

Dear Ms. Sigman:

In accordance with WAC 246-310-090, Providence Health & Services – Washington dba Providence SoundHomeCare and Hospice (“Providence”) submits this letter of intent to apply for a Certificate of Need to establish a hospice care center in Thurston County.

**1. Description of proposed services**

Providence proposes to improve access to end-of-life care by building a 20-bed hospice care center in Thurston County. The hospice care center would focus on patients who can no longer be managed effectively at home but could be served appropriately through an inpatient home-like, non-institutional care setting.

**2. Estimated cost of proposed project**

The estimated cost of the proposed project is \$11,600,000.

**3. Identification of service area**

For the purposes of the Certificate of Need review, the service area is considered to be Thurston, Mason and Lewis counties, which is the current service area for which Providence SoundHomeCare and Hospice is approved for hospice care.

Thanks for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions regarding this application, please contact me at (360) 359-1275.

Sincerely,



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