



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

BEGINNING OF REVIEW NOTICE
Certificate of Need Application

Two Applicants: Franciscan Health System and MultiCare Health System

Description of Proposals:

Franciscan Health System: purchase an existing, Certificate of Need exempt ambulatory surgery center known as Tacoma Endoscopy Center located at 1112 Sixth Avenue, #200 in Tacoma, within Pierce County.

MultiCare Health System: establish an ambulatory surgery center at 4545 Point Fosdick Drive Northwest in Gig Harbor, within Pierce County.

Estimated Costs: Franciscan Health System: \$12,503,463
MultiCare Health System: \$1,227,869

Public Hearing: No public hearing will be held unless requested. To request a hearing, the request must be in writing and include the name, address, and signature of the person making the request. Deadline for requesting a hearing is 5:00 pm on Friday, January 27, 2012. Faxed requests will not be accepted.

If a public hearing is scheduled, the hearing notice will be published in the News Tribune at least 15 days before the date of the hearing.

Public Comment Period: If no public hearing is held, written comments must be received by the Certificate of Need Program by 5:00 pm, February 16, 2012. Faxed comments will not be accepted.

Send public hearing request or written comments to:

Mailing Address

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Certificate of Need Program
Mail Stop 47852
Olympia, WA 98504-7852

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Department of Health
Certificate of Need Program
310 Israel Road SE
Tumwater, WA 98501

Anticipated Decision Date: April 19, 2012

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please call Karen Nidermayer with the Certificate of Need Program at (360) 236-2957. For additional information or details, log into our website: www.doh.wa.gov/hsqa/FSL/certneed/.

