

September 27, 2013

Shahram Salemy, MD Shahram Salemy, MD PLLC 3715 – 47th Place East Seattle, Washington 98105

Dear Dr. Salemy:

RE: DOR 14-04

The Department of Health has completed its review of your exemption request regarding the proposed construction of an ambulatory surgery center in Seattle, within King County. Below is the information considered and the facts relied upon by the department's Certificate of Need Program in reaching its conclusion regarding your project.

INFORMATION CONSIDERED

- Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC) exemption application submitted August 1, 2013
- Supplemental information submitted on September 26, 2013¹
- Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 70.38
- Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 246-310
- Washington Secretary of State and Department of Revenue information obtained from the respective websites
- Department of Health external provider look-up
- Department of Health Integrated Licensing and Regulatory System (ILRS)

FACTS CONSIDERED

- On December 10, 2013, Plastic Surgery Associates of Seattle received an exemption from Certificate of Need review for the establishment of an ASC in Seattle. You are one of the physicians associated with the Plastic Surgery Associates of Seattle practice.
- On January 1, 2009, you established a practice corporation with the Washington Secretary of State's office. The corporation name is 'Shahram Salemy, MD, PLLC.'
- You intend to operate a solo clinical practice under this corporation. The practice will be located at 1101 Madison Street, #1101 in Seattle [98104]. Once your new practice is established, you intend to withdraw as a member of the Plastic Surgery Associates of Seattle practice.
- The new practice will also include an attached ASC. The ASC will be located in dedicated space adjacent to the clinical practice.

¹ Supplemental information submitted by Emily Studebaker, attorney with Garvey, Schubert, Barer law firm.

² DOR #13-15.

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- The ASC will be operated under the practice corporation of Shahram Salemy, MD, PLLC.
- At this time, only you intend to use the ASC. Future owners or employees may have access to the ASC. Specific physician credentialing information is below.

Name Credential Status Practice Status
Shahram Salemy Active Owner

- The procedures proposed include those typically associated with cosmetic plastic surgery. A listing of common procedures is included in the exemption application.
- The ASC will not be operated as a separate legal entity from the Shahram Salemy, MD, PLLC practice.
- No management agreement is proposed.

CONCLUSION

Based on the totality of information considered, the department concludes the proposed ASC would be exempt from Certificate of Need review. This exemption is not transferable and the conclusions reached concerning this proposed ASC are based on the facts about this facility and it should not be assumed the department would reach the same conclusion in future exemption requests for other future ASCs.

If changes are made in the operation or ownership of this proposed ASC, the ASC may no longer be eligible for this exemption. In that case, prior Certificate of Need review and approval or new exemption would be required. Examples of such changes include the following. This list is not intended to be all inclusive.

- The scope of services is expanded to include services subject to Certificate of Need review under the provisions of WAC 246-310-020.
- The provision of any procedure as identified under WAC 246-310-705(4).
- The ASC is operated under a management agreement.
- The ASC is organized as a separate legal entity from the practice.
- The ASC is moved to a different site than identified in the exemption application.
- Use of the ASC is extended to any physician who is not a member or employed by Shahram Salemy, MD, PLLC
- The ASC ceases operations or relinquishes its Medicare certification and then chooses to resume services as an ASC.
- The ASC or the practice is purchased or leased.
- ASC patients are routinely transferred from the ASC for observation care at one of the area's hospitals.

APPEAL OPTIONS

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

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Appeal Option 1:

You or any interested or affected person 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 addresses below.

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

Other Than By Mail
Department of Health
Certificate of Need Program
111 Israel Road SE
Tumwater, WA 98501

Appeal Option 2:

You 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 addresses below.

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

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

Please call me at (360) 236-2957 if you have any questions regarding this determination.

Sincerely,

Karen Nidermayer, Analyst Certificate of Need Program

Office of Certification and Technical Support

Enclosure

cc: Department of Health, Investigations and Inspections Office Department of Health, Construction Review Services Emily Studebaker, Attorney w/ Garvey Schubert Barer