

November 30, 2012

Peter Adler, Senior Vice President PeaceHealth 14432 Southeast Eastgate Way, #300 Bellevue, Washington 98007

Dear Mr. Adler:

The department has completed review of the materials submitted on November 8, 2012, regarding the internal corporate restructuring of PeaceHealth and its corporate affiliate, Southwest Washington Medical Center, located in Vancouver. Based on that review, the department has concluded the internal corporate restructuring as described is not subject to prior Certificate of Need review and approval.

This determination of non-reviewability does not constitute approval under any other local, federal, or state statute, or implementing rules and regulations. Examples where additional approval may be necessary include, but are not limited to, construction plan approval through the Construction Review Section 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.

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

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 following addresses:

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

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Appeal Option 2:

You or any affected 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: Adjudicative Service Unit Mail Stop 47879 Olympia, WA 98504-7879 Other Than By Mail
Adjudicative Clerk Office
111 Israel Road SE
Tumwater, WA 98501

Please call me at (360) 236-2957 if you have any further questions as you proceed with the restructure.

Sincerely,

Karen Nidermayer, Analyst Certificate of Need Program

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