



MultiCare Allenmore Hospital
MultiCare Auburn Medical Center
MultiCare Good Samaritan Hospital
MultiCare Mary Bridge Children's Hospital & Health Center
MultiCare Tacoma General Hospital
MultiCare Clinics

October 13, 2017

Ms. Janis Sigman, Manager
Certificate of Need Program
Washington State Department of Health
PO Box 47852
Olympia, WA 98504-7852

RE: Letter of Intent, MultiCare Tacoma General Hospital Level IV Bed Addition

Dear Ms. Sigman:

MultiCare Tacoma General Hospital is jointly licensed with MultiCare Allenmore Hospital by the Department of Health to operate 567 beds.¹ MultiCare Tacoma General Hospital received Washington State Department of Health Certificate of Need approval to operate a total of 40 Level IIIB neonatal intensive care unit ("NICU") in 2012. In 2014, the Department issued a Determination of Non-Reviewability that recognized these 40 beds as Level IV² beds as defined in the Washington State Perinatal and Neonatal Level of Care ("LOC") Guidelines, February 2013.³ That unit now operates as a Level IV program on the MultiCare Tacoma General Hospital campus.

MultiCare Tacoma General Hospital submits this letter of intent for a Certificate of Need to add 14 beds to its Level IV program. If approved, MultiCare Tacoma General Hospital would be authorized by the Department to operate a total of 54 Level IV beds. Approval would also increase the licensed bed count by 14 for a total of 581 licensed beds at MultiCare Tacoma General Hospital and MultiCare Allenmore Hospital.

In accordance with WAC 246-310-080, the following information is provided:

1. Description of the Services Proposed

- a. MultiCare Tacoma General Hospital has certificate of need approval to operate 40 Level IV beds.
- b. Approval is requested for 14 additional Level IV beds, allowing expansion to a total of 54 Level IV beds.
- c. Upon approval of this request, the licensed total number of beds at MultiCare Tacoma General/Allenmore Hospitals will increase to 581 beds (567 + 14 additional Level IV beds).

2. Estimated Cost of the Proposed Project

¹ This includes 467 acute care beds, 40 Level IV beds, 30 Level II bed and 30 PPS ("Prospective Payment System") exempt psychiatric beds, approved in 2015.

² Also referred to as a "Regional Neonatal Intensive Care Unit."

³ <https://www.doh.wa.gov/Portals/1/Documents/Pubs/950154.pdf>

The estimated capital costs associated with this project are \$6,661,050.

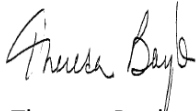
3. Description of the Service Area

The service area for this project includes the following seven counties:

- Grays Harbor, Kitsap, Lewis, Mason, Pacific, Pierce and Thurston

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me directly at 253.403.8770 or Theresa.Boyle@multicare.org.

Sincerely,

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The estimated capital costs associated with this project are \$8,400,000.

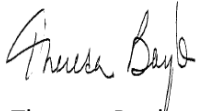
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The estimated capital costs associated with this project are \$5,300,000.

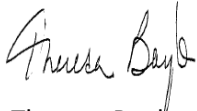
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