



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
Olympia, Washington 98504

March 2, 2023

Carl Tabor, President
Bellingham Operations, LLC

Sent via email: ctabor1@avamere.com

RE: Bed Banking Application #23-02 - Approval Letter Full Facility Closure Bed Banking

Dear Carl Tabor:

Thank you for your Nursing Home Full Facility Closure Bed Banking application requesting to bank 84 beds at Avamere Bellingham and Rehabilitation Services under Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 70.38.115(13)(b).

RCW 70.38.115(13)(b) requires bed banking requests to be received in the Certificate of Need Program office no later than 30 days following a facility's closure. The applicant has stated that the intended effective date of this banking is the date in which the last resident leaves the facility.¹

RCW 70.38.115(13)(b) allows the licensee or any other party who has secured an interest in the beds to bank the beds under full facility closure for eight years from the date of the original bed banking. The Department has confirmed that Bellingham Operations, LLC is the current licensee and has been for the most recent 12 months. Department of Social and Health Services has verified the facility closure date as December 21, 2022. Therefore, the eight-year bed banking of the 84 beds at Avamere Bellingham and Rehabilitation Services is effective on the date of closure, December 21, 2022, and will expire on December 21, 2030.

Note: Approval of this bed banking does not constitute approval under any other local, federal, or state statute 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.

¹ Washington Administrative Code 246-310-010(19).

Chris Walsh
Delta Rehabilitation Center, Inc.
September 10, 2020
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If you have any questions or would like to arrange for a meeting to discuss our decision, please contact the Certificate of Need Program at (360) 236-2955.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric Hernandez", with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Eric Hernandez, Program Manager
Certificate of Need
Community Health Systems

cc: Department of Social and Health Services