



STATE OF WASHINGTON  
**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**  
*Olympia, Washington 98504*

**BEGINNING OF REVIEW NOTICE**

**Applicant, Project Description, and Estimated Capital Cost:**

EmpRes Healthcare Group, Inc. proposes to expand an existing agency, Eden Hospice of Whatcom County, LLC, to provide Medicare and Medicaid hospice services in Skagit County. The estimated cost for this project is \$0.

**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. The deadline for requesting a hearing is **Wednesday, July 5, 2023**. If a public hearing is scheduled, the hearing notice will be published in the Skagit Valley Herald at least 15 days before the date of hearing.

**Public Comment Period:** If no public hearing is held, written comments must be received by the Certificate of Need Program on or before **Tuesday, July 25, 2023**. Hearing requests and comments are not accepted by fax. Email them to: [FSLCON@doh.wa.gov](mailto:FSLCON@doh.wa.gov) or [andrew.struska@doh.wa.gov](mailto:andrew.struska@doh.wa.gov).

**Anticipated Decision Date:** **September 22, 2023**

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please call Andrew Struska with the Certificate of Need Program at (360) 236-2941. For more information, log onto our website, [www.doh.wa.gov/cn](http://www.doh.wa.gov/cn).