



Certificate of Need Program
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Nursing Home Projects - Cost Containment

1. Describe distinct alternative means for meeting the need described previously. Identify alternative advantages and disadvantages, including cost, efficiency, or effectiveness.
2. Describe, in as much detail as possible, specific efforts that were undertaken to contain the costs of offering the proposed service.
3. In the case of construction, renovation, or expansion, describe any operating or capital cost reductions achieved by architectural planning, engineering methods, methods of building design and construction, or energy conservation methods used.
4. Under a concurrent or comparative review, preference will be given to the project which meets the greatest number of criteria listed below. Provide documentation describing how the proposed project meets the following criteria.
 - a. Projects that include other institutional long-term care services or evidence of relatively greater linkages to community-based, long-term care services.
 - b. Projects which improve the geographic distribution and/or provide access to nursing home beds in a currently under-served area.
 - c. Nursing home operators having (or proposing to have) a Medicare contract in areas with less than the statewide proportion of Medicare nursing home beds to total nursing home beds.
 - d. Nursing home operators serving (or proposing to serve) Medicaid clients.
 - e. Nursing home operators proposing to serve additional heavy care patients in areas where CSO placement staff or hospital discharge planners document significant and continuing difficulties in placing such patients in nursing homes.
 - f. Existing nursing home operators in the state who are seeking to achieve a 100-bed minimum efficient operating size for nursing homes or to otherwise upgrade a facility with substantial physical plant waivers or exemptions, as determined by Washington State Aging and Adult Services Administration.
 - g. Projects that propose to serve individuals requiring mental health services and care for Alzheimer's or dementia conditions.

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