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Janis Sigman, Program Manager Washington State Department of Health Certificate of Need Program 111 Israel Rd. S.E. Tumwater, WA 98501

DEPARTMENT OF REALIN

RE: Letter of Intent: Kadlec Regional Medical Center - Four Procedure Rooms

Dear Ms. Sigman:

In accordance with WAC 246-310-080¹, Kadlec Regional Medical Center respectfully submits this Letter of Intent to construct and operate four (4) procedure rooms in Richland, located in Benton County.

- Description of proposed service
 Kadlec Regional Medical Center requests certificate of need approval to operate four (4) procedure rooms.
- Estimated cost of the project
 The estimated cost of the proposed project is \$8,980,000.
- 3. <u>Identification of the service area</u>
 This facility is located within the Benton-Franklin County secondary planning area, as identified in WAC 246-310-270(3).

Thanks for your assistance in this matter. Please contact me if you have any questions at (509) 897-2081 or Robert. Watilo@providence.org.

Sincerely,

Robert Watilo, Chief Strategy Officer Kadlec Regional Medical Center 888 Swift Road Richland, WA 99352

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¹ Kadlec notes the RCWs or WACs do not identify a requirement to seek certificate of need approval for opening and/or operating procedure rooms. Kadlec does not agree with the Department's position or recent decisions that CN review and approval is required for procedure rooms. However, Kadlec recognizes the Department has a differing point of view and is electing to complete the CN process for its proposed project so as not to cause further delay in providing service to the planning area.