



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
Olympia, Washington 98504

February 19, 2020

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Eduardo Meirelles, MD, PhD
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1110 North 35TH Avenue
Yakima, Washington 98902

Sent via US mail and email: Erica.Bustamante@northwestneurosciences.com

RE: Certificate of Need Application #19-29

Dear Dr. Meirelles:

Enclosed is Certificate of Need #1836 issued to Northwest Neurosciences, PLLC, approving the establishment of an ambulatory surgical facility, Northwest Surgery Center, located in Yakima.

The certificate is not an approval for any other local, federal, or state statutes, rules, or regulations. Such a project may also need Department of Health approval for a construction plan and facility licensing or certification, as well as other federal or local jurisdiction permits.

The Certificate of Need is valid for two years. The project must begin during this time. If there is substantial and continuing progress, we may extend the certificate for one six month period. For an extension, you must submit an extension request at least 120 days before the expiration. You cannot begin a project after the expiration date.

This decision may be appealed. The appeal options are listed below.

Appeal Option 1:

Any person with standing may request a public hearing to reconsider this decision. The request must state the specific reasons for reconsideration in accordance with Washington Administrative Code 246-310-560. A reconsideration request must be received within 28 calendar days from the date of the decision at one of the following addresses:

Mailing Address:
Department of Health
Certificate of Need Program
Mail Stop 47852
Olympia, WA 98504-7852

Physical Address:
Department of Health
Certificate of Need Program
111 Israel Road SE
Tumwater, WA 98501

Appeal Option 2:

Any person with standing may request an adjudicative proceeding to contest this decision within 28 calendar days from the date of this letter. The notice of appeal must be filed according to the provisions of Revised Code of Washington 34.05 and Washington Administrative Code 246-310-610. A request for an adjudicative proceeding must be received within the 28 days at one of the following addresses:

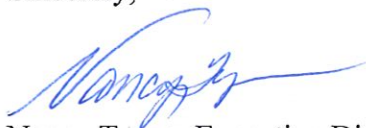
Mailing Address:
Department of Health
Adjudicative Service Unit
Mail Stop 47879
Olympia, WA 98504-7879

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We monitor projects until completed or the expiration date. We do this with quarterly progress reports. At least 30 days before the report's due date, you will receive a form to complete and return.

If you have any questions, please contact the Certificate of Need Program at (360) 236-2955.

Sincerely,



Nancy Tyson, Executive Director
Health Facilities and Certificate of Need
Community Health Systems

Enclosure

cc: Frank Fox, PhD



This Certificate is granted under the authority of RCW 70.38. Issuance of this Certificate 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 Unit 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.

Certificate of Need #1836 is issued to:

Applicant's Legal Name: Northwest Neurosciences, PLLC
Applicant's Address: 1110 North 35th Avenue, Yakima, Washington 98902
Facility Type Ambulatory Surgical Facility
Project Type Ambulatory Surgical Facility
Facility Name: Northwest Surgery Center
Facility Address: 1110 North 35th Avenue, Yakima, Washington 98902

**ISSUANCE OF THIS CERTIFICATE OF NEED IS BASED ON THE DEPARTMENT'S
INITIAL RECORD AND EVALUATION DATED AUGUST 29, 2019 (CN APP # 19-29) AND
ITS RECONSIDERATION EVALUATION DATED FEBRUARY 14, 2020**

Project Description

This certificate approves the establishment of a two operating room ambulatory surgical facility located in Yakima, within Yakima County. Surgical services provided include: spine surgery, neurosurgery, interventional pain management, orthopedic, ENT, general surgery, and plastic surgery.

Service Area

Yakima County

Conditions

1. Northwest Neurosciences, PLLC, d/b/a Northwest Surgery Center, agrees with the project as stated above. Northwest Neurosciences, PLLC, further agrees that any change to the project as described in the project description above is a new project that requires a new Certificate of Need.
2. Northwest Neurosciences, PLLC, d/b/a Northwest Surgery Center, will maintain Medicare and Medicaid certification, regardless of facility ownership.
3. Northwest Neurosciences, PLLC, d/b/a Northwest Surgery Center, will provide charity care in compliance with its charity care policies reviewed and approved by the Department of Health. Northwest Neurosciences, PLLC, d/b/a Northwest Surgery Center, will use reasonable efforts to provide charity care in an amount comparable to or exceeding the average amount of charity care provided by hospitals in Yakima County. Currently, this amount is 0.81% gross revenue and 2.12% of adjusted revenue. Northwest Neurosciences, PLLC, d/b/a Northwest Surgery Center will maintain records of charity care applications received and the dollar amount of charity care discounts granted. The department requires these records to be available upon request.

Approved Capital Expenditure

The approved capital expenditure is \$182,933.

This Certificate authorizes commencement of the project from February 19, 2020 to February 19, 2022 unless extended, withdrawn, suspended, or revoked in accordance with applicable sections of the Certificate of Need law and regulations.

Date Certificate Issued: February 19, 2020

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Nancy Tyson", written over a horizontal line.

Nancy Tyson, Executive Director
Health Facilities and Certificate of Need
Washington State Department of Health

This Certificate is not transferable