



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

October 8, 2012

R. Kevin McFeely, Chief Operating Officer
The Hearthstone
6720 East Green Lake Way North
Seattle, Washington 98136

Re: Bed Banking #13-01 - The Hearthstone

Dear Mr. McFeely:

This is in response to your request to bank 4 of the facility's total of 44 skilled nursing beds at The Hearthstone under the alternate use provisions of Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 70.38.111(8). I understand that The Hearthstone is the licensee and the building owner of The Hearthstone. Currently, The Hearthstone's licensed capacity is 44 with 0 beds banked.

The chart below shows the room number(s) of the beds to be banked, the number of beds to be banked in each room, the reason for the bed banking, and number of beds remaining in the room after banking (if any).

Room #	Current # of licensed beds in Room	# of Beds to Bank	Purpose of bed banking DOH Approved	# of Beds Remaining After Banking
31	4	4	Therapy Room	0
	4	4	Totals	0

Based on the information provided in the notification request to bank beds, the Certificate of Need Program approves your request to bank 4 beds at The Hearthstone under the alternate use provisions of RCW 70.38.111(8). After completion of the bed banking, the facility's total number of licensed beds will be 40 with 4 banked beds.

To effectuate this banking, you must proceed with de-licensing the 4 beds with the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS). RCW 70.38.111(8)(c) allows for a facility to bank beds for up to four years from the effective date. Once DSHS provide the Program with notification of the de-licensure, our records will be updated to indicate that the 4 beds are banked for a term of four years.

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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 includes, but is 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.

Also Note: Under the nursing home licensing WAC 388-97-3400 and 388-97-2160 (2)(b), a change in the use of a room requires review and approval by the Construction Review Program of the Department of Health. The contact number for Construction Review is (360) 236-2944.

If The Hearthstone decides to modify the room numbers or alternative uses for the beds that have been banked, notification to the Certificate of Need Program is necessary under the provisions of WAC 246-310-395(4) to assure continued compliance with RCW 70.38.111(8)(a) and WAC 246-310-395.

If you have any questions concerning bed banking, please call me at (360) 236-2955.

Sincerely,



Janis Sigman, Manager
Certificate of Need Program
Office of Certification and Technical Support

cc: Department of Social and Health Services