



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

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Craig Marks, CEO  
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RE: Certificate of Need Application #21-69 Prosser Memorial Health - Intent to Issue

Dear Mr. Marks:

Thank you for your November 10, 2021, letter agreeing to the conditions regarding the Certificate of Need application submitted on behalf of Prosser Memorial Health. The application proposes to relocate Prosser Memorial Health to a new site in Prosser, within Benton County.

Because of the size of the construction project, the department will not issue a Certificate of Need until it receives a copy of the approved Conditional Use Permit.<sup>1</sup> However, the department may commit to issue the Certificate of Need. This letter serves as that “Intent to Issue” a Certificate of Need. The date of this letter starts the 28 day time period for affected persons to request an appeal unless otherwise specified in rule.<sup>2</sup>

The “Intent to Issue” commitment for this project is not approval for any other local, federal, or state statutes, rules, or regulations. The 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.

Once issued, 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.

We monitor projects until completed or the expiration date, whichever occurs last. We do this with quarterly progress reports. At least 30 days prior to the progress report’s due date, you will receive a form to complete and return. Your first progress report for this project will be sent to you in early January 2022.

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

Sincerely,

Eric Hernandez, Program Manager  
Certificate of Need  
Office of Community Health Systems

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<sup>1</sup> Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 246-03-030(4).

<sup>2</sup> WAC 246-310-560 and WAC 246-310-610.