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## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** April 2, 2007  
**TO:** Karleen Jackson, PhD, Commissioner  
**THRU:** Anthony Lombardo, Deputy Commissioner  
**THRU:** Pat Carr, Unit Manager, Health Planning & Systems Development Unit  
**FROM:** David Pierce, Certificate of Need Coordinator  
**SUBJECT:** Extension of the Providence Cardiac Catheterization CON Review

Under 7 AAC 07.060(d)(3) I am requesting a 30-day extension of the time within which to complete the review of the Providence Alaska Medical Center Certificate of Need application for two new cardiac catheterization laboratories. The application is due into the Commissioner's office by Tuesday, April 3, 2007 and we will need an additional 30-days to review this for the following reasons:

- Additional data needs to be gathered from individuals offering the same service in the service area (one service provider refused to submit data);
- The data manager needs to re-run the numbers and include the Fairbanks and Mat-Su facilities in capacity; and
- New research came out during the review that staff need time to evaluate.

A meeting was held with Department of Law and Commissioner's Office staff to discuss the application before submitting it to you. All agreed that an additional 30-day period of time should be requested to evaluate adequately the need for this service. If the 30-day extension is approved, the deadline to submit the review to your office will be May 3, 2007. Please indicate your decision by checking one of the boxes below.

EXTENSION APPROVED       EXTENSION DENIED

  
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Karleen Jackson, PhD, Commissioner

4/3/07  
Date

cc: Elmer Lindstrom, Project Manager  
Rebecca C. Polizzotto, Assistant Attorney General