

**NOTICE OF DECISION ON REQUEST FOR DETERMINATION OF WHETHER  
A CERTIFICATE OF NEED IS REQUIRED  
THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES**

In accordance with 7 AAC 07.031, the Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS) has determined that a certificate of need is not required for the health care project or activity described below:

**Project/Activity:** Install a refurbished upright MRI unit

**Applicant's Name:** Alaska Spine Institute

**Project/Activity Service Area:** Anchorage Municipality

**Estimated Cost of Project/Activity:** \$3,233,819

**Summary of Decision:** The project may proceed without a Certificate of Need. Alaska Spine Institute appears to meet all of the criteria in 7 AAC 07.001(b), and is considered to be an office of private physicians. Therefore, Alaska Spine Institute is excluded as a health care facility under AS 18.07.111 and its proposed project is not subject to Certificate of Need requirements.

Copies of the request for determination and this decision are available on the Certificate of Need website at: <http://hss.state.ak.us/Apps/CertNeed/>. Copies may also be obtained by contacting the certificate of need program coordinator by mail, phone, FAX, or email as follows:

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A person who requested a determination under 7 AAC 07.031 may seek reconsideration of the determination by submitting a written request for reconsideration to the department. A request for reconsideration must be postmarked no later than April 8, 2015 and be made in conformance with 7 AAC 07.033. A decision under 7 AAC 07.033 constitutes the final administrative decision of the department.

DATE: March 9, 2015  
Anchorage, Alaska

/s/Alexandria Hicks  
Certificate of Need Program Coordinator