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CERTIFICATE OF NEED PROGRAM

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June 18, 2015

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RE: Request for Determination dated May 20, 2015

Dear Dr. Jensen,

Thank you for your letter dated May 20, 2015 in which you request a determination as to whether your proposed project requires a certificate of need (CON).

Aurora Plastic Surgery seeks to convert 1,200 SF of office space for a procedure room. You estimate total project costs to be \$658,377.56. The procedure room will be located directly adjacent to your current leased space and renovation of this space began in July 2014. You anticipate completing the project by mid to late June of this year. You are seeking to expand your surgical services by providing additional modalities of anesthesia when performing office surgeries. The modalities include local, intravenous or general anesthetic.

The Department will require a few more items of information before it can render a decision on your request for determination. While you provided detailed costs and estimates for equipment and construction, there is nothing included regarding the leased space cost. Please provide a copy of the lease or value of that space with any associated leasehold improvements.

In your letter, you refer to the additional space as a procedure room. However, you mention that you will be adding additional surgical services that can be performed with the use of local, intravenous or general anesthetic. General anesthesia is administered in an operating room. If this is the case, you will need to contact Karen Walsh Roe with Licensing and Certification. Her email address is [karen.roe@alaska.gov](mailto:karen.roe@alaska.gov). Can you please confirm that you will be performing surgeries in this setting, as opposed to a procedure room?

Please submit the requested information no later than 20 days from the date of this letter.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alex Hicks".

Alexandria Hicks, CON Coordinator