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Certified, Return Receipt Requested

Nancy Cross, M.D.
Advanced Pain Centers of Alaska
1917 Abbott Road, Suite 100
Anchorage, Alaska 99507

Dear Dr. Cross:

Thank you for your letter of November 10, 2010 regarding the determination of whether a certificate of need (CON) is required for construction of a one surgical suite licensed surgical center at 1275 Sadler Way in Fairbanks.

I have, after review of the cost estimated provided in your letter, determined that a CON is not required based on the following information:

1. The proposed surgical center is a facility that is reviewable by the CON program if the cost of the project exceeds the \$1.35 million dollar threshold under AS 18.07.031
2. A certified cost estimate for the project was provided by WEL Designs PLC, dated November 10, 2010. The total cost estimate provided of \$1,121,391 is below the current threshold that requires submission of a CON application under AS 18.07.031.

If the project changes and costs related to the construction of the surgical center, as outlined in 7 AAC 07.010, total more than the current CON threshold or if there are changes regarding the size, number of surgical suites, or scope of service, this office must be notified as a CON may be required.

If you are dissatisfied with this determination you may request reconsideration under 7 AAC 07.033. An appeal or request for reconsideration must be postmarked no later than 30 days after publication of the public notice.

Sincerely,



Karen Lawfer
CON Coordinator