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*Certificate on Need Program*

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Dr. Thomas Kramer, President  
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Dear Dr. Kramer,

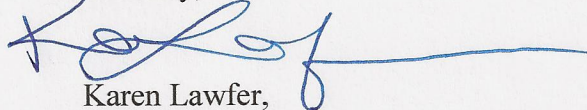
This is in response to your request for determination dated April 2, 2012 regarding an ambulatory surgery center (ASC) that will lease your cardiac catheterization lab space one day per week located at 3220 Providence Drive, Suite E 3-063 in Anchorage. In your letter you state that the leaseholder and owner of the ASC license will be an entity that will be formed.

In order to make a determination regarding the ASC it is necessary to ascertain the following information:

1. Who will be the holder of the ASC license? That entity will be responsible for compliance with the Certificate of Need statutes and regulations of the Department and as such should be the entity requesting a determination.
2. The letter states that the ASC will lease the "cardiac catheterization lab space" for one day per week. What is the total square footage of Suite E 3-063? An ASC can operate in the same physical space as another provider but it is necessary to have all clinical as well as non-clinical space not be used by more than one entity at any given time. Lease costs may have to be calculated utilizing clinical as well as non-clinical areas such as the waiting room, staff areas, and recovery area in making a determination. This space and costs would be necessary in order to be licensed as an ASC and as such must be included in a determination of lease costs over the life of the building.
3. Equipment quotes, with discounts, are for Alaska Health Institute, LLC. Will the quotes and discounts apply to the entity that will hold the ASC license?
4. The entity will be leasing the hemodynamics as well as the digital imaging equipment, owned by Alaska Heart Institute, one day per week. The new entity will need to verify the purchase costs of the pieces of equipment, their useful life and its intended lease of the equipment during its useful life.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,



Karen Lawfer,  
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