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Re: York Hospital  
Renovation of Labor and Delivery Area  
Not Subject to Review Determination Request

Dear Mr. Carbonneau:

I am filing this Letter of Intent on behalf of our client, York Hospital. York Hospital hereby requests that the Department make a determination that its proposed "Miracles Project: a renovation our Labor and Delivery area" is not subject to Certificate of Need review and approval. York Hospital intends to commence work on the proposed project this Spring.

The proposed project includes the following changes to the Hospital's Labor and Delivery area:

- Constructing two (2) private nursery rooms to replace its existing two (2) bassinette nursery
- Renovating four (4) existing labor and delivery rooms
- Upgrading mechanical, electrical and pumping systems for the entire Strater Wing of the Hospital
- Renovating physician and clinical staff work space
- Improving the reception and security process
- Enclosing and converting the entrance canopy to a waiting room.

The estimated capital expenditure for the proposed project is \$3,500,000, with approximately \$1,000,000 of that amount attributed to the mechanical, electrical and pumping system upgrades. The proposed project is not anticipated to result in additional operating costs.



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The proposed renovations will allow Hospital staffing areas to be shared and utilized in a manner that will promote and improve cross utilization, efficiency and productivity of clinical and administrative staff. The proposed renovations will also create separate provider space which will be utilized to assist the Hospital in meeting CPOE and CMS Meaningful Use requirements.

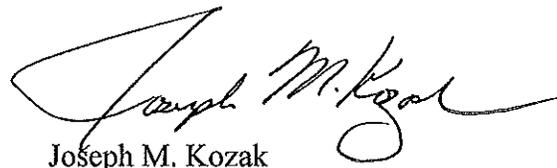
In addition to renovating the Hospital's twenty-year-old, outdated and worn facilities the proposed project will create a "secured" Labor and Delivery suite which will be more attractive to and meet the expectations of younger families. Also, the proposed new waiting room will not be located in a direct patient care area, and will offer patients more privacy.

York Hospital does not believe the project is subject to CON review and approval. Therefore, the Hospital does not anticipate filing a CON application for the project and hereby waives a technical assistance meeting.

Because the capital expenditure for the proposed project is well below the current CON capital expenditure threshold; no new service is being proposed; no change in bed compliment is proposed; and no acquisition of major medical equipment involved, York Hospital requests the Department to determine that the proposed project is not subject to CON review and approval.

Your assistance with this matter is sincerely appreciated. Kindly address any correspondence regarding this project to me on behalf of York Hospital.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joseph M. Kozak". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and a long, sweeping underline.

Joseph M. Kozak