

Legal Notice

Certificate of Need -- Public Informational Meeting

The Maine Department of Health and Human Services announces that an application for a Certificate of Need has been received and certified as complete by the applicant. An informational meeting, at which the applicant will present information about the proposal, will be held by a Department representative in accordance with the provisions of the Maine Certificate of Need Act, as amended (22 MRSA, sec. 103-A).

Sponsor: Covenant Health Systems, Inc.
420 Bedford Street
Lexington, MA 02420

Description of Proposal: **St. Joseph Healthcare Foundation in Bangor, Maine transfer of sponsorship/change of control to Covenant Health Systems, Inc.**

Meeting: Public Informational Meeting
Date/Time: January 28, 2009 1:30 P.M.
Location: St. Joseph Hospital
St. Francis Center
Conference Room
294 Center Street
Bangor, Maine 04401

Alternate date in case State Government is shut down on above date due to storm conditions.

Date/Time: January 29, 2009 9:00 A.M.
Location: St. Joseph Hospital
St. Francis Center
Conference Room
294 Center Street
Bangor, Maine 04401

Any person may attend the meeting to question the applicant regarding the project or the Department regarding the conditions that the applicant must satisfy in order to receive a Certificate of Need for the project.

Upon written request any person may examine the application, submit comments in writing to the Department regarding the application, and examine the entire record assembled by the Department at any time from the date of publication of the notice until the application process is closed for comment.

The Commissioner, or the Commissioner's designee, will hold a public hearing if 5 persons residing or located within the health service area to be served by the applicant requests,

in writing, that such a public hearing be held and the request is received by the Commissioner no later than 30 days following the informational meeting on the application conducted pursuant to section 337, subsection 5.

Additional information concerning this proposal and the review process and the review schedule may be obtained or supplied by contacting DHHS, Division of Licensing and Regulatory Services, SHS#11, ATTN: Steven R. Keaten, Health Care Financial Analyst, Certificate of Need Unit, 41 Anthony Avenue, Augusta, Maine 04333-0011 (Tel: 287-9215; TDD: 800-606-0215, FAX 287-5807).