

Legal Notice

Certificate of Need

The Maine Department of Health and Human Services Division of Licensing and Regulatory Services announces that an application for a Certificate of Need has been received. The sponsor has certified that the application is complete. A review of the application will be conducted by representatives of the Department from the Health Care Oversight Program in accordance with the provisions of the Maine Certificate of Need Act, as amended (22 MRSA, chapter 103-A).

Applicant: Covenant Surgical Partners
C/O Coastal Eye Surgery Center, LLC
128 Bucksport Road
Ellsworth, ME 04605

Proposal: Acquisition of Control

Description of Proposal: Covenant Surgical Partners to obtain 51% of Coastal Eye Surgery Center , LLC

Subject to Review under M.R.S.A. §329 (5).

Any person may examine all or part of the public record relating to this application and purchase copies of any or all of that record during the normal business hours of the department. Any person may submit comments or additional information in writing to the Department regarding the application at any time from the date of publication of this notice until the application process is closed for comment. Comments and additional information should be sent to the address below. This comment period will be for no less than 30 days.

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 request, in writing, that such a public hearing be held and the request is received by the Commissioner no later than 15 days following the publication of this notice pursuant to section 339, subsection 2. Requests to hold a public hearing should be sent to the address below.

As soon as practicable, once the public comment period closes, the department staff shall provide the preliminary analyses of the application and the record to the applicant, the commissioner and any person who requests a copy of the analyses and record. Notice of the availability of the analyses will be published in a newspaper in general circulation in Kennebec County and a newspaper of general circulation serving the Hancock County area in which the project is to be located and on the department's publicly accessible site on the Internet.

Additional information concerning this proposal and the review process and the review schedule may be obtained by contacting DHHS, Division of Licensing and Regulatory Services. All comments, questions or inquiries should be directed to: Division of Licensing and Regulatory Services, Attn: Larry Carbonneau, Manager – Health Care Oversight Program, 41 Anthony Avenue, Augusta, Maine 04333-0011 (Tel: 287-9216; FAX 287-5815).