Two compete for acute care beds

RALEIGH – Two local hospitals have filed competing applications with the Certificate of Need Section of the N.C. Division of Health Service Regulation to add 20 acute care beds. A public hearing for these projects will be held on Mon., Dec. 21 at 1 p.m. at the Charlotte Mecklenburg Government Center, 600 E. Fourth Street, Room 267, Charlotte.

The 2009 State Medical Facilities Plan (SMFP) identifies a need for 20 additional acute care beds in Mecklenburg County. The list of two applicants and a summary of their proposals follow:

- Presbyterian Medical Care Corporation proposes to add 20 acute care beds and add a 5th floor to patient bed tower at Presbyterian Hospital Matthews at a cost of $16.6 million.
- The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Hospital Authority proposes to add 20 acute care beds at Carolinas Medical Center at a cost of $900,000.

Anyone may file written comments concerning these proposals. Comments must be received by the Certificate of Need Section no later than Dec. 1 at the following address:

Certificate of Need Section
Division of Health Service Regulation
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