

CHAPTER 94

AN ACT concerning certificate of need requirements and amending P.L.1992, c.160.

BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

1. Section 19 of P.L.1992, c.160 (C.26:2H-7a) is amended to read as follows:

C.26:2H-7a Exemption from certificate of need requirement.

19. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 7 of P.L.1971, c.136 (C.26:2H-7) to the contrary, the following are exempt from the certificate of need requirement:

Community-based primary care centers;

Outpatient drug and alcohol services;

Hospital-based medical detoxification for drugs and alcohol;

Ambulance and invalid coach services;

Mental health services which are non-bed related outpatient services;

Residential health care facility services;

Dementia care homes;

Capital improvements and renovations to health care facilities;

Additions of medical/surgical, adult intensive care and adult critical care beds in hospitals;

Inpatient special psychiatric beds used solely for services for patients with co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders;

Replacement of existing major moveable equipment;

Inpatient operating rooms;

Alternate family care programs;

Hospital-based subacute care;

Ambulatory care facilities;

Comprehensive outpatient rehabilitation services;

Special child health clinics;

New technology in accordance with the provisions of section 18 of P.L.1998, c.43 (C.26:2H-7d);

Transfer of ownership interest except in the case of an acute care hospital;

Change of site for approved certificate of need within the same county;

Additions to vehicles or hours of operation of a mobile intensive care unit;

Relocation or replacement of a health care facility within the same county, except for an acute care hospital;

Continuing care retirement communities authorized pursuant to P.L.1986, c.103 (C.52:27D-330 et seq.);

Magnetic resonance imaging;

Adult day health care facilities;

Pediatric day health care facilities;

Chronic or acute renal dialysis facilities; and

Transfer of ownership of a hospital to an authority in accordance with P.L.2006, c.46 (C.30:9-23.15 et al.).

2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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