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## **VIA ELECTRONIC & FIRST-CLASS MAIL**

Tammy Torres, DNP, MSN, RN Chief Executive Officer Salem County Hospital Corp. 310 Woodstown Road Salem, New Jersey 08079

Re:

Salem Medical Center 310 Woodstown Road Salem, New Jersey 08079 CN ER 2020-4185-17

Expiration Date: October 31, 2020

Dear Dr. Torres:

The New Jersey Department of Health (Department) is approving Salem Medical Center's application, submitted on April 1, 2020 for an extension of time for the implementation of the Certificate of Need (CN) designated as CN FR170509-17-01. This extension of time is approved pursuant to <a href="N.J.A.C.">N.J.A.C.</a> 8:33-3.10(a) 2 and <a href="N.J.A.C.">N.J.A.C.</a> 8:33-5.1.

The CN was originally approved on November 17, 2017 for the addition of 26 adult acute care psychiatric beds. Salem Medical Center submitted a previous expedited review certificate of need application for an extension of time (CN ER 2019-9146-17), which was approved on February 5, 2020, with an expiration date of April 30, 2020.

Salem Medical Center states that it has met the requirements of N.J.A.C. 8:33-3.10 for an extension of time to implement CN# FR 170509-17-01, as additional time is needed to complete the construction projects and licensing process related to the implementation of CN FR 170509-17-01. There is no anticipated increase in cost of the project as set forth in the original application. The Department has determined that this request is acceptable and, therefore, the time period to implement CN FR 170509-17-01 is now extended until October 31, 2020. However, if after this period the applicant requires an additional extension, a new expedited review CN application seeking an extension of time will be required to be submitted.

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Please be advised that this approval is limited to the proposal as presented and reviewed. The Department's decision to approve this application is based solely on the facts, information and materials presented in the application. If material facts have not been disclosed or have been misrepresented, the Department may take administrative regulatory action to rescind the approval or refer the matter to the Office of the Attorney General.

The Department looks forward to working with Salem Medical Center to ensure that the facility provides the highest quality of care to the community and patients. If there are any questions concerning this letter, please do not hesitate to contact Felicia Harris, Chief Certificate of Need, Division of Certificate of Need and Licensing at Felicia.Harris@doh.nj.gov.

Sincerely,

Marcela Ospina Maziarz, MPA

**Deputy Commissioner** 

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