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ALABAMA CON REVIEW BOARD UPDATE

I. SHPDA Administrative Report

Crestwood Medical Center's Status Report on the Participation the C-Port Elective PCI Study: Crestwood has enrolled over 600 patients in the study, of which approximately 90 have received elective PCI's at Crestwood, with no complications or adverse outcomes relating to the study. The project is likely to be completed in 2009.

II. CONs

A. AL2007-007, Episcopal Foundation of Jefferson County, Inc., Birmingham, AL: Proposal to construct two (2) new three-story buildings in accordance with the national "Green House Project" and relocate sixty (60) of its existing one hundred thirty-eight (138) nursing home beds into the new buildings. Opposition: None.

Approved.

B. AL2007-008, Rush Hospital/Butler Hospital, Inc., d/b/a Choctaw General Hospital, Choctaw County: Proposal to replace and relocate the original forty (40) bed hospital that ceased operations on April 30, 1993, with a twenty-five (25) bed Critical Access Hospital. Opposition: None.

Approved.

C. AL2007-009, Gulf Health Hospitals, Inc., d/b/a Thomas Hospital, Fairhope, AL: Proposal to construct a four-story facility which will contain a new Emergency Room, sixty-four (64) acute care beds, public spaces and space for future use. No New beds will be added. Opposition: None.

Approved.



D. AL2007-010, Physicians Choice Dialysis of Alexander City, LLC, Alexander City, AL: Proposal to construct/renovate and add seven (7) additional hemodialysis stations. Opposition: None.

Approved.

E. AL2007-011, Gardendale Surgical Associates, LLC, Gardendale, AL: Proposal to develop and operate a new freestanding multi-specialty Ambulatory Surgery Center consisting of two (2) operating rooms and one (1) procedure room. Opposition: None.

Approved.

Project Modification Request

AL2005-020, Sand Mountain Recovery Center, Ft. Payne, AL: Proposal to change the original site shown in the Certificate of Need application from 2717 Gault Avenue North, Fort Payne, AL to 1032 Grand Avenue Southwest, Fort Payne, AL. Opposition: Letters of opposition were received from District Attorney Michael E. O’Dell, Mayor William H. Jordan and Senator Lowell Barron.

Continued.

III. Old Business

A. Declaratory Ruling Request 110:

East Alabama Health Care Authority d/b/a East Alabama Medical Center requests that the CONRB take jurisdiction over this matter and issue a declaratory ruling that the project known as The Institute for Advanced Cardiovascular Care being constructed by Community Medical Development, LLC, is subject to the Certificate of Need Rules and Regulations and a Certificate of Need is required for this project.

Opposition to East Alabama’s Petition for Declaratory Ruling 110:

Community Medical Development, LLC; CathLab Partners, LLC; Advanced Cardiovascular Development, LLC; East Alabama Cardiovascular Associates, P.C., and The Heart Center Cardiology, P.C.

The CONRB took jurisdiction and deemed the project reviewable.

The Board’s next meeting is scheduled for May 16, 2007.

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