

August 22nd, 2007.

David Pierce
Health and Social Services Planner 3
Department of Health and Social Services Services
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Dear Mr. Pierce,

Mat-Su Regional Medical Center (MSRMC) respectfully requests a waiver to our current Catheterization Laboratory Certificate of Need. At present, we are meeting all conditions of the C.O.N. granted to MSRMC. Recently, a C.O.N. waiver was granted to Fairbanks Memorial Hospital allowing Fairbanks Memorial Hospital to perform a full range of diagnostic and interventional catheterization procedures. An identical waiver granted to MSRMC will allow the residents of the Mat-Su Valley to enjoy the same level of high quality health-care afforded to the residents of Fairbanks and the rest of the residents of the State of Alaska. We are not adding costs to the system and we are not asking to add an additional catheterization laboratory. The enhanced level of care the waiver will provide to the residents of the Mat-Su Valley has a desirable side effect as well: overall costs to the health-care system will actually decrease as a direct result of the waiver.

Please let me know next steps as soon as you are able.

Respectfully,



Shawn Strash
Chief Operating Officer

cc. Norman Stephens, CEO
Dave Merchant, Cath Lab Manager

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