

**NOTICE OF DECISION ON REQUEST FOR DETERMINATION OF WHETHER  
A CERTIFICATE OF NEED IS REQUIRED  
THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**

In accordance with 7 AAC 07.031, the Department of Health (DOH) determines that a certificate of need is required for the project/activity described below:

**Project/Activity:** Bartlett Regional Hospital (Bartlett) proposes to expand and renovate its existing emergency department. The expansion will include the addition of 3,900 square feet and relocation of the ambulance bay, as well as an overall net increase in bed capacity from the existing thirteen (13) beds to a total of sixteen (16). The cost of the project is estimated to be \$17.4 million, including over \$7 million in equipment, furnishings, and design fees. Bartlett plans on beginning the project in April 2023 and anticipates having the project complete by April 2025.

**Summary of Decision:** Bartlett's proposed expansion of its emergency department is construction of a health care facility that is estimated to cost more than \$1.5 million. According to AS 18.07.111(6), "construction" means the erection, building, alteration, reconstruction, improvement, extension, or modification of a health care facility, including lease or purchase of equipment, excavation, or other necessary actions". Therefore, pursuant to AS 18.07.031, Bartlett must apply for a CON for this project.

Copies of the request for determination and this decision may be obtained by contacting the Certificate of Need Program Coordinator by email below:

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A person who requested a determination under 7 AAC 07.031 may seek reconsideration of the determination by submitting a written request for reconsideration to the department at the address listed above. A request for reconsideration must be postmarked no later than 30 days after the date of this determination and be made in conformance with 7 AAC 07.033.

DATE: September 16, 2022  
Anchorage, Alaska

/s/Alexandria Hicks  
Certificate of Need Program Coordinator