

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

In accordance with 7 AAC 07.031, the Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS) has determined that a certificate of need is not required for the health care project or activity described below:

Project/Activity: North Star Behavioral Health System, Anchorage, Alaska, is specifically seeking to convert its Bragaw facility into a 36-bed adult acute behavioral health hospital, relocate 30 of the Bragaw facility's adolescent acute beds to the DeBarr facility, and reduce the DeBarr facility's 60 RPTC beds to 30 RPTC beds.

Applicant's Name: North Star Behavioral Health Systems

Project/Activity Service Area: Anchorage, Alaska

Estimated Cost of Project/Activity: \$609,692.80

Summary of Decision: In accordance with A.S. 18.07.031-111 and 7 AAC 07.001-900, the project can proceed without a Certificate of Need. After review of the certified cost estimates and other information submitted with the request for determination, it has been determined that a CON is not required for the proposed project because the expenditures at issue do not exceed the \$1.5 million statutory threshold under AS 18.07.031.

Copies of the request for determination and this decision are available on the Certificate of Need website at: <http://hss.state.ak.us/Apps/CertNeed/>. Copies may also be obtained by contacting the certificate of need program coordinator by mail, phone, FAX, or email as follows:

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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. A request for reconsideration must be postmarked no later than February 2, 2015 and be made in conformance with 7 AAC 07.033. A decision under 7 AAC 07.033 constitutes the final administrative decision of the department.

DATE: January 2, 2015
Anchorage, Alaska

/s/Alexandria Hicks
Certificate of Need Program Coordinator