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State Approves Relocation of Nursing Facility Beds in Lane County

A proposed order was issued today by the Oregon Department of Human Services, Public Health Division, to Cascade Manor, Inc. ("Cascade Manor") granting a certificate of need for the relocation of five licensed nursing facility beds from Marquis Care at Springfield to its facility located at 65 W. 30th Ave., Eugene.

Cascade Manor is a Continuing Care Retirement Community ("CCRC") with a total of 32 nursing facility beds, none of which are open to the public. Approval of this project will result in five of those beds being open for use by non-CCRC residents.

The order issued today is a proposed order. Any affected party who takes exception to the proposed order may request the Department of Human Services, Public Health Division, to hold an informal hearing. If no request for a hearing is received by December 28, 2009, the proposed order will automatically become final.

Under state certificate of need law, Cascade Manor was required to seek state approval of this project because it involves the relocation of existing nursing facility beds. The purpose of the law is to see that health services are adequately distributed in the state without unnecessary duplication of services or excessive cost to patients. This proposed order grants the provider permission to proceed with the project as submitted. This project will be subject to further review for any changes to the physical plant, for state licensure, and for federal certification for Medicare and Medicaid if requested.

For further information about this project, please contact Jana Fussell, Certificate of Need Coordinator, at the Public Health Division, 971 673-1108.