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## Certificate of Need

The Certificate of Need process is the state's only regulatory mechanism aimed at controlling the development of new health care facilities and services. The purpose of the law is to see that health services are adequately distributed around the state without unnecessary duplication of services or excessive costs to patients.

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### Letters of Intent

**Avamere Lake Oswego Operations Investors, LLC d/b/a The Pearl at Kruse Way**, Lake Oswego, proposes to relocate 16 nursing facility beds from Avamere Rehab of Oregon City to its facility. The Department will rule on this Letter of Intent no later than October 9, 2009.

### Applications under Review

**Cascade Manor**, Eugene, proposes to relocate five nursing facility beds from Marquis Care at Springfield to its facility. On May 26, 2009, this project was ruled to be subject to full review under Certificate of Need law. The Department is evaluating whether this project is eligible for an expedited review.

**Columbia Health District**, St. Helens, proposes to establish a new 12-bed hospital in St. Helens. On July 24, 2009 this application was ruled to be complete and review began on July 25, 2009. The Department expects to make a written decision on the application by October 22, 2009.

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