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VIA FIRST CLASS AND ELECTRONIC MAIL

Amy B. Mansue President and CEO Inspira Medical Center Vineland 1505 W. Sherman Avenue Vineland, New Jersey 08360

Re: Inspira Medical Center Vineland

CN # ER 2023-06330-06;01

Extension of Time Nineteen (19) Adult Open

Psychiatric Beds

Project Cost: \$3,554,270

Expiration date: December 31, 2023

Dear Ms. Mansue:

The New Jersey Department of Health (Department) is approving the certificate of need (CN) application for an extension of time for Inspira Medical Center Vineland (IMC-Vineland) to add nineteen (19) adult acute care psychiatric (open/voluntary) beds, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 8:33-5.1(a)(6). These beds were originally awarded through a full review CN on November 17, 2017, (CN# FR 17 0520-06-01) for a period of two years or November 17, 2019. An initial extension was approved on March 17, 2020 (CN# ER 2019-9141-06) with an expiration date of May 31, 2021. A second extension was subsequently approved on May 6, 2022 (CN# ER 2021-9141-06), extending the expiration to June 30, 2023.

According to IMC-Vineland in its May 26, 2023 ERCN application, renovations to the 19-bed voluntary behavioral health unit, which will be located in a former medical detoxification unit licensed to IMC-Vineland but physically located at 333 Irving Avenue in Bridgeton, was expected to be completed by the end of June 2023. However, the IMC-Vineland explains that, due to supply chain disruptions, they have been advised that the specialty patient room entry doors that they have ordered are not be expected to be

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shipped until the beginning of July 2023 and installation anticipated to be completed by the end of July 2023. The applicant further advises that this delay will also impact all other subsequent approvals, including obtaining a final Certificate of Occupancy from the township. Due to these delays, the applicant anticipates full project completion to be attained by September 30, 2023.

Please be advised that this will be the final extension of time approved by the Department for the implementation of the nineteen (19) awarded adult acute care psychiatric (open/voluntary) beds. If these beds are not ready for occupancy and inspection by the aforementioned expiration date, the licensee will forfeit the ability to seek licensure of these beds.

This approval for an extension of time is limited to the application as presented and reviewed. The application, related correspondence, and any completeness questions and responses are incorporated and made a part of this approval. An additional review by the Department may be necessary if there is any change in scope, as defined at N.J.A.C. 8:33-3.9. However, a change in cost of an approved certificate of need is exempt from certificate of need review subject to the following:

- The applicant shall file a signed certification as to the final total project cost expended for the project at the time of the application for licensure for the beds/services with the Certificate of Need and Healthcare Facility Licensure Program.
- 2. Where the actual total project cost exceeds the certificate of need approved total project cost and is greater than \$1,000,000, the applicant shall remit the additional certificate of need application fee due to the Certificate of Need and Healthcare Facility Licensure Program. The required additional fee shall be 0.25 percent of the total project cost in excess of the certificate of need approved total project cost
- 3. The Department will not issue a license for beds/services until the additional fee is remitted in full.

The Department, in approving this application, has relied solely on the facts and information presented. The Department has not undertaken an independent investigation of such information. If material facts have not been disclosed or have been misrepresented as part of this application, the Department may take appropriate administrative regulatory action to rescind the approval or refer the matter to the Office of the New Jersey Attorney General.

Any approval granted by this Department relates to certificate of need and/or licensing requirements only and does not imply acceptance by a reimbursing entity. This letter is not intended as an approval of any arrangement affecting reimbursement or any remuneration involving claims for health care services.

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This approval is not intended to preempt in any way the authority of any municipality to regulate land use within its borders and shall not be used by the applicant to represent that the Department has made any findings or determination relative to the use of any specific property.

Please be advised that services may not commence until a license has been issued by the Certificate of Need and Healthcare Facility Licensure Program for the additional psychiatric beds. A survey by Department staff will be required prior to commencing services.

If you have any questions concerning this approval, please do not hesitate to contact Michael J. Kennedy, Executive Director, Division of Certificate of Need and Licensing at Michael.Kennedy@doh.nj.gov.

Sincerely,

Robin C. Ford

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