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Re: Expanding CON Waivers in Hawaii

April 30, 2020

Mr. Wrench,

On behalf of Governor David Ige, I am responding to your request relating to Certificates of Need. Please be advised that a suspension of the CON laws is not necessary, as an emergency CON process for temporary expansions already exists in the statute. Under HAR 11-186-99, there is an emergency CON process that waives the public hearing process for emergency CON applications.

For changes in bed capacity, there is a rule that waives the CON requirement if the addition is temporary (90 days or less). See HAR 11-186-7(b):

(b) Any increase or decrease in the number of beds in any standard bed service category does not require a certificate of need if it is a temporary change that does not exceed ninety days.

Standard beds are listed under HAR 11-186-5.

For more information or assistance, please contact the State Health Planning and Development Agency at 1177 Alakea St. #402
Honolulu, HI 96813 or phone (808) 587-0788

Thank you

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