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**Carilion New River Valley Medical Center - COVID 19 Request for Bed Capacity Increase and Architecture and Design Temporary Variance**

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Good evening. Attached please find, for review and consideration, a letter and related attachments requesting an authorized bed capacity increase and architecture and design temporary variance request in response to COVID 19 for Carilion New River Valley Medical Center.


Thank you very much for your attention and consideration of this request.

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Virginia Department of Health  
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**RE: Carilion New River Valley Hospital  
Hospital Licensure Number: H 1838  
Request for Authorized Bed Capacity Increase in Response to COVID-19  
Architecture and Design Temporary Variance Request for Bed Addition**

Dear Commissioner Oliver:

Pursuant to Executive Order Fifty-Two (2020) issued on March 21, 2020, Carilion New River Valley Medical Center ("CNRVMC") requests the Commissioner's authorization for a licensed bed capacity increase to serve additional patients during the COVID-19 pandemic emergency. Currently licensed to operate 146 beds, CNRVMC requests authorization to operate 180 or more licensed beds. Enclosed for your review are floor plans and photographs illustrating the proposed bed addition.

To expand bed capacity, CNRVMC will take the following steps:

- (1) Convert space in the existing same day surgery area to nineteen (19) private inpatient rooms: All 19 rooms have a private bathroom (without a shower).
- (2) Convert space in the existing PACU to five (5) private inpatient rooms: The 5 rooms are curtained bays (one is an isolation bay). The rooms will not have private bathrooms or patient call bells.
- (3) Convert space in the existing outpatient/endoscopy surgery area to ten (10) private inpatient rooms: Eight rooms will have shared bathrooms (no showers) between rooms. Two rooms will have private bathrooms (no showers). All rooms are equipped with medical gases (via the anesthesia column which drops from ceiling). The rooms do not have patient call bells.

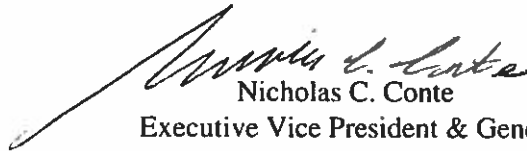
The proposed plan will allow CNRVMC to accommodate patients in a safe and effective environment of care. To the extent the proposed bed addition does not strictly comply with the

architectural and design requirements set forth at 12 VAC 5-410-650, CNRVMC seeks a temporary variance to these standards in accordance with 12 VAC 5-410-30.

If you require additional information or have any questions regarding this notice, please contact Paul B. Davenport, VP, Hospital Operations at 540-981-9448 or [pbdavenport@carilionclinic.org](mailto:pbdavenport@carilionclinic.org). Additionally, I can be reached at 540-676-5754.

I appreciate your attention and consideration to our request.

Very Truly Yours,



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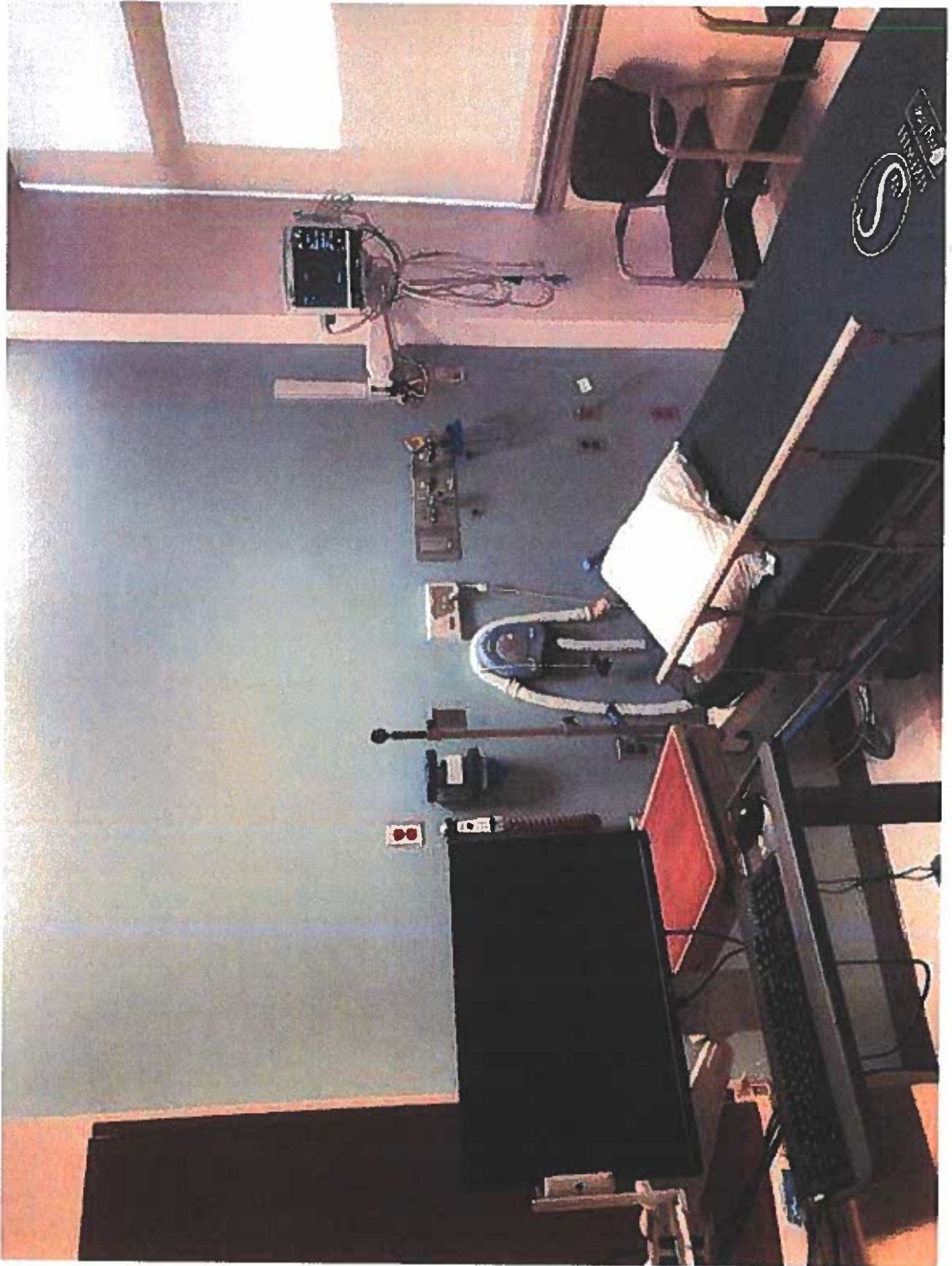
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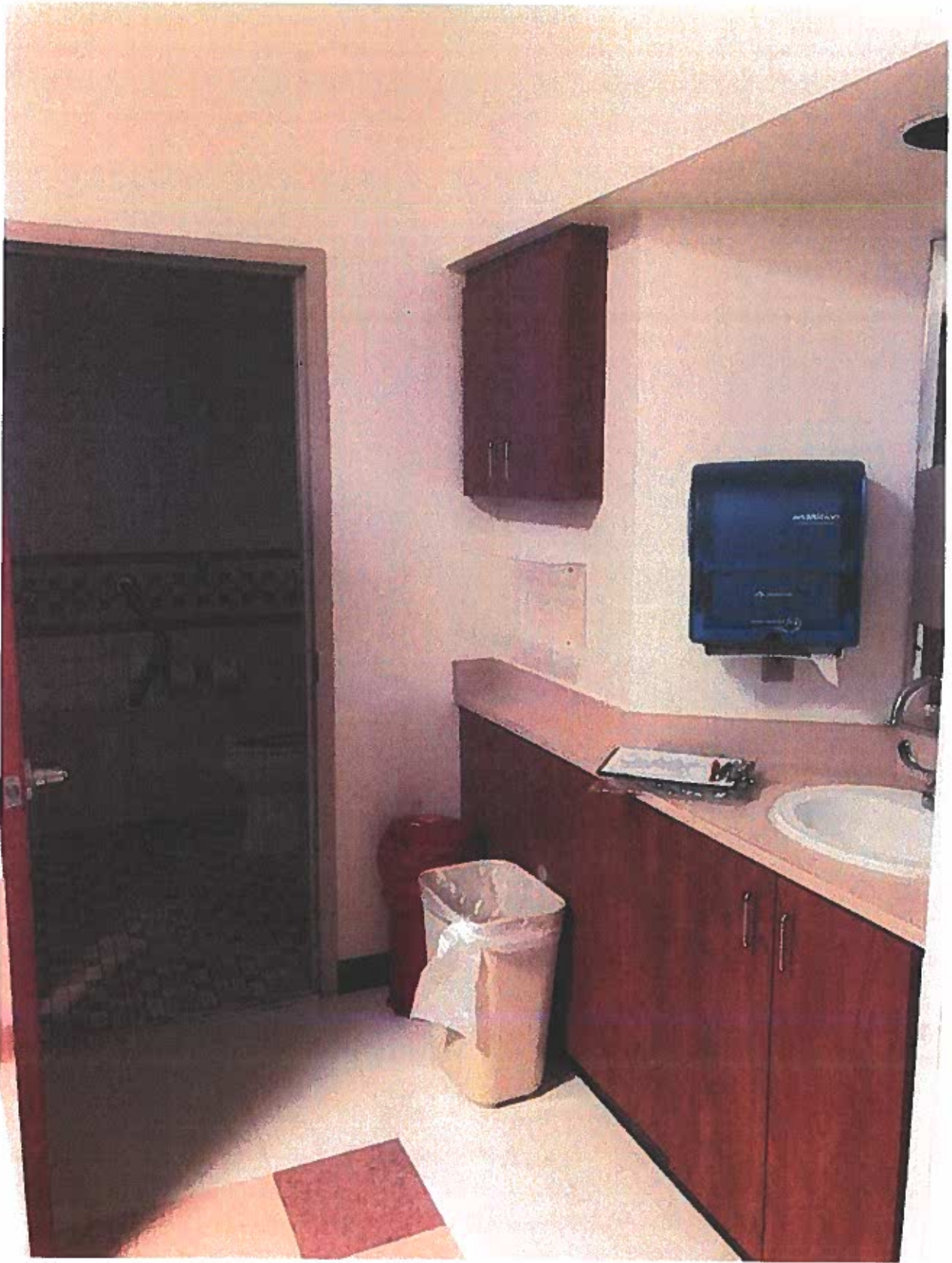
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Same Day Surgery: 19 Rooms, with private toilet, no shower

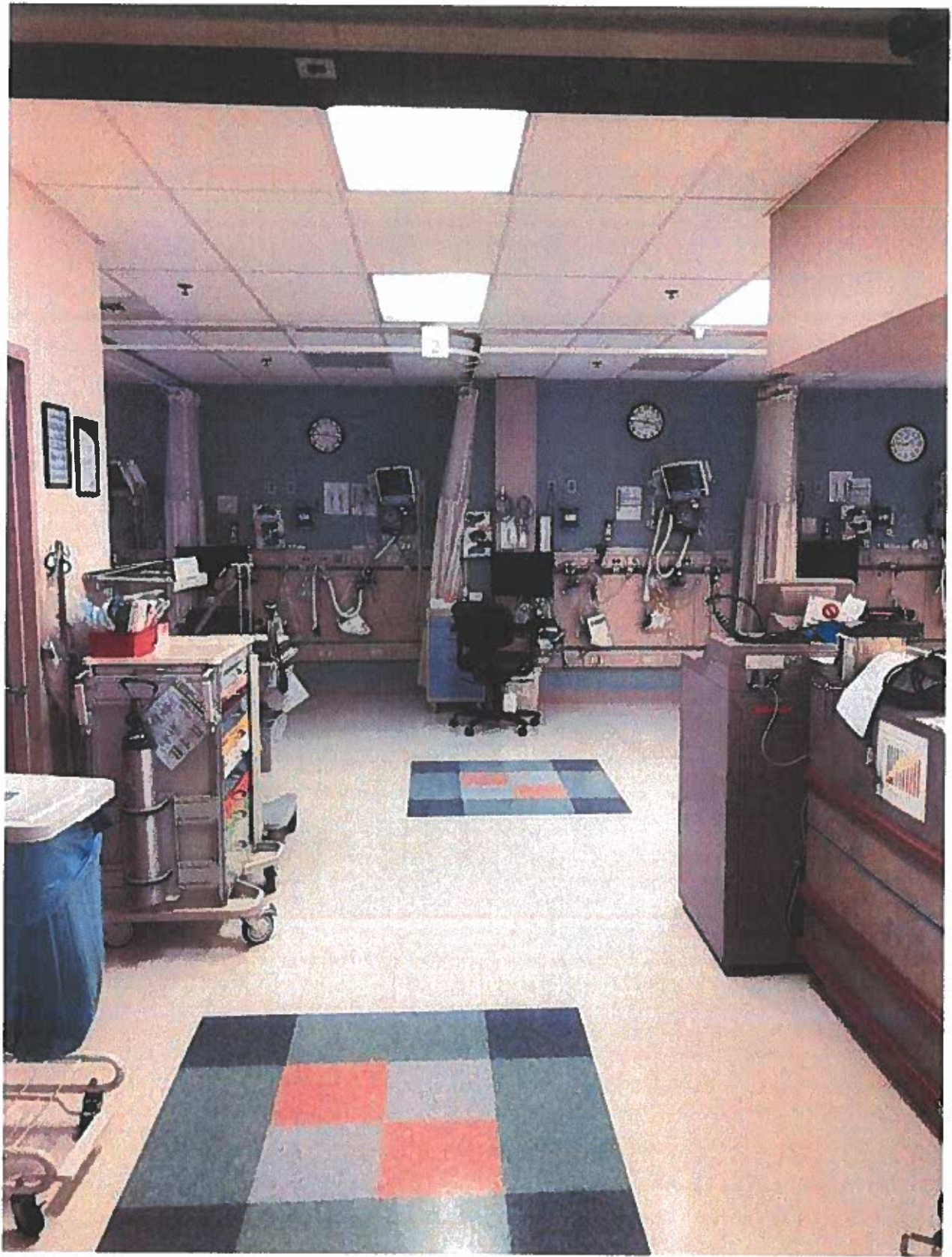




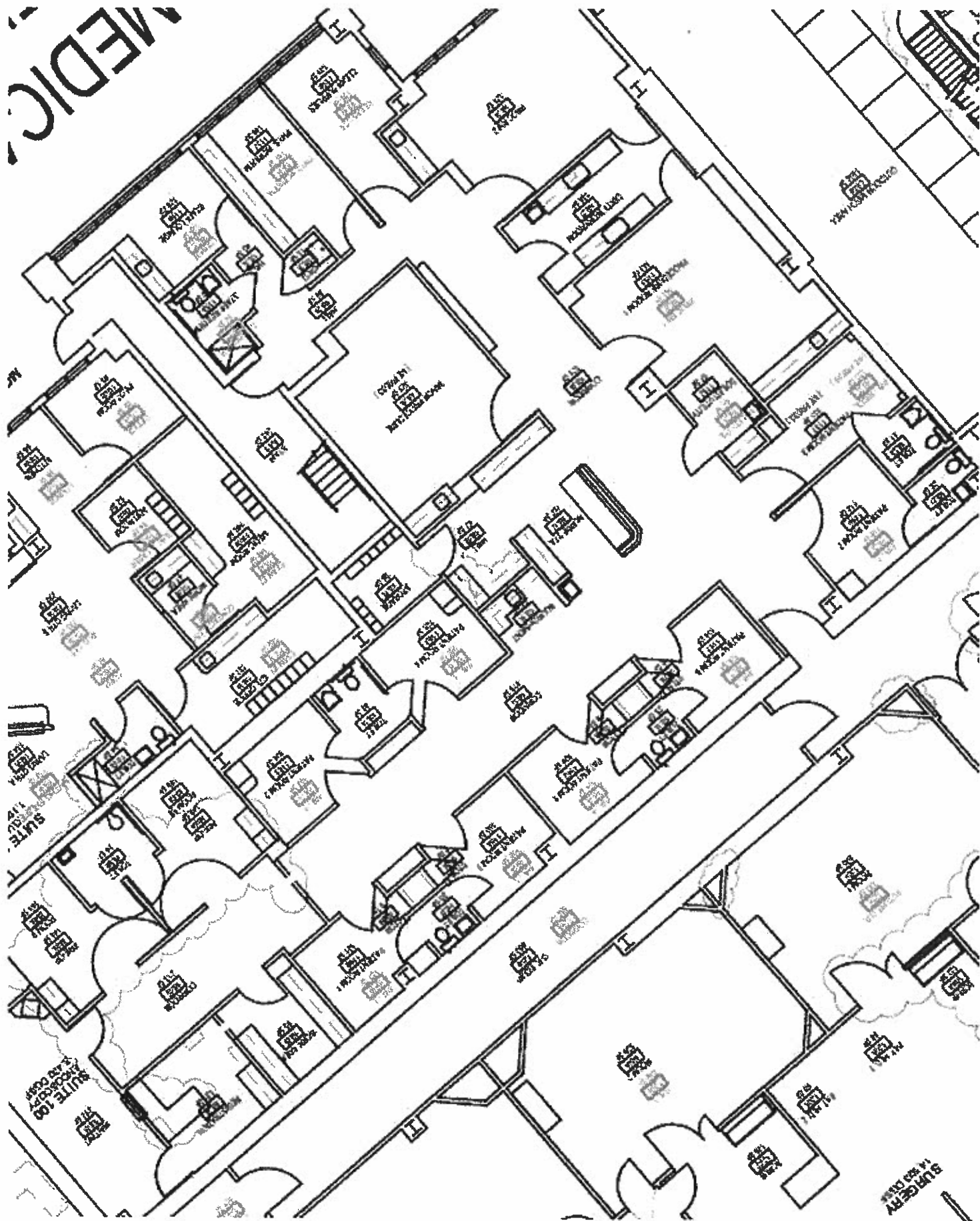


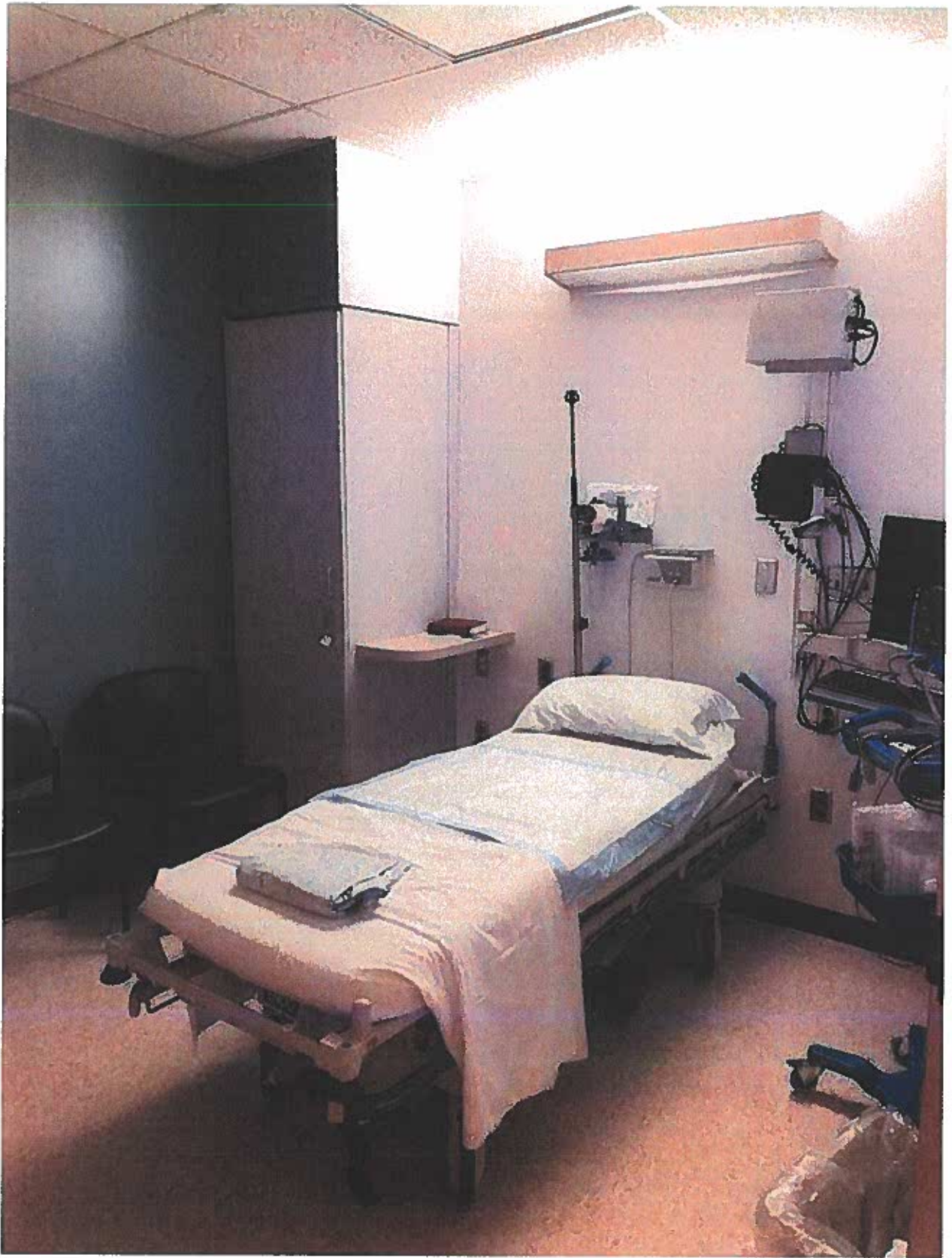






O/P Endoscopy: 10 Rooms, 8 with shared toilet between rooms, two rooms private toilet. No shower. Three Procedure rooms, no call bell, med gases not in wall in anesthesia column dropped from ceiling.





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