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April 13, 2020

Ms. Donna Staton
President
Novant Health UVA Health System Culpeper Medical Center
501 Sunset Lane
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RE: Novant Health UVA Health System Culpeper Medical Center

Culpeper, Virginia

Temporarily add 28 Medical/Surgical Beds at Culpeper Medical Center in response to the COVID-19 crisis

Dear Ms. Staton:

In accordance with Executive Order 52, I reviewed the request and all supporting documents submitted by Novant Health UVA Health System Culpeper Medical Center to temporarily add 28 medical/surgical beds at Culpeper Medical Center (CMC). I have considered the factors listed in my March 24, 2020. Letter; and I have concluded that **approval** of the request is warranted based on the following findings:

1. CMC has demonstrated that, due to the reasonable expectation of a sudden and overwhelming increase in acute care patients resulting from COVID-19 infection, CMC has an immediate need to temporarily add 28 medical/surgical beds.
2. CMC's plan for training and shifting available staff is a reasonable solution for staffing the additional beds.
3. CMC's plan and ability to obtain equipment and supplies is reasonable within the confines of the current crisis.
4. CMC's plan to expand bed capacity in existing hospital space assures patient safety is maintained from a fire and life safety code perspective.

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In accordance with Executive Order 52, the 28 added beds are deemed to be licensed from the date an emailed notice is received by Robert Payne, Director of the Office of Licensure and Certification, that they are open. This authorization is valid for the period April 13, 2020, through 30 days after the expiration of or rescission of Executive Order 51, as it may be amended.

If you have any questions please contact Robert Payne, Director of the Office of Licensure and Certification at (804) 367-2109, or Robert.Payne@VDH.Virginia.gov. Thank you for your response to the community in this public health emergency.

Sincerely,

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