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Mr. Nathan A. Kottkamp
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RE: COPN Request No. VA-8550, Galax Treatment Center, LLC
Reconsideration of Applicability of Certificate of Public Need to Establish a Residential
Substance Abuse Treatment Facility

Dear Mr. Kottkamp:

In response to your July 8, 2021, request, I have reconsidered my June 11, 2021, finding that a residential treatment center for the treatment of individuals with substance use disorders is an intermediate care facility licensed by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services as described by Virginia Code § 32.1-102.1:3(A)(4) and, therefore, requires a Certificate of Public Need (COPN). I have considered your July 8, 2021 submission, as well as the Adjudication Officer's report, the recommendation from the March 29, 2021, informal fact-finding conference (IFFC), and the recommendation of the Division of Certificate of Public Need.

Based on my review and reconsideration, I have concluded that Galax Treatment Center, LLC, COPN Request number VA-8550, does not fall within Virginia Code § 32.1-102:3(A)(4), and, therefore, is not subject to COPN consideration.

Should you have questions or desire additional information, please contact Erik Bodin, Director of the Division of Certificate of Public Need, at (804) 367-1889 or by email at Erik.Bodin@VDH.Virginia.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "M. Norman Oliver" followed by a stylized monogram.

M. Norman Oliver, MD, MA
State Health Commissioner

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