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February 16, 2026

Brigette Terrell, Executive Director
Virginia Cardiovascular Specialists
VCS Heart and Vascular Center, LLC
8007 Discovery Drive, Suite B
Richmond, Virginia 23229

RE: **COPN No. VA-04976 (COPN Request No. VA-8843)**
Virginia Cardiovascular Specialists, PC
Mechanicsville, Virginia
Establish a Center for PET services with one fixed PET/CT scanner limited to
cardiology

Dear Ms. Terrell:

In accordance with Chapter 4, Article 1.1 of Title 32.1 of the Code of Virginia of 1950 (the Code), as amended, I reviewed the application and all supporting documents submitted by Virginia Cardiovascular Specialists, PC to establish a center for PET services with one fixed PET/CT unit limited to cardiac studies at Virginia Cardiovascular Specialists in Mechanicsville, Virginia.

As required by Section 32.1-102.3B of the Code, I have considered all factors that must be taken into account in a determination of public need, and I have concluded that **conditional approval** of the request is warranted based on the following findings:

1. The project is generally consistent with the applicable criteria and standards of the State Medical Facilities Plan and the Eight Required Considerations of the Code of Virginia.
2. The PET/CT scanner's use will be limited solely to cardiac imaging.
3. The project will improve access to the preferred cardiac imaging modality with numerous benefits over SPECT.
4. The project will not adversely affect existing providers of PET/CT services in PD 15.

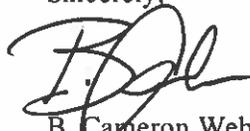
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5. The project is more beneficial than the alternative of the status quo.
6. The capital costs are reasonable.
7. The proposal is wholly feasible in the immediate and long term.
8. There is no known opposition.

This certificate is valid for the period February 16, 2026 through February 15, 2027. The total authorized capital cost of the project is \$467,056.

Please file two copies of the application for a certificate extension with the Department no later than 30 days before the expiration date of the certificate. Part VIII of the Virginia Medical Care Facilities Certificate of Public Need Rules and Regulations identifies the filing requirements and review procedure for certificate extension requests.

Sincerely,



B. Cameron Webb, MD, JD
State Health Commissioner

Enclosure

cc: Charis A. Mitchell, Assistant Attorney General, Commonwealth of Virginia
April Dovel, Director, VDH, Office of Licensure and Certification
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Tom Franck, MD, MPH, District Director, Chickahominy Health District

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
MEDICAL CARE FACILITIES CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC NEED

THIS CERTIFIES THAT Virginia Cardiovascular Specialists, PC is authorized to initiate the proposal as described below.

NAME OF FACILITY: Virginia Cardiovascular Specialists

LOCATION: 7515 Right Flank Road, Mechanicsville, Virginia 23116

OWNERSHIP AND CONTROL: Virginia Cardiovascular Specialists, PC

SCOPE OF PROJECT: Establish a specialized center for PET imaging with one PET/CT scanner restricted to cardiac studies, at Virginia Cardiovascular Specialists. The CT component of the equipment will not be used for independent CT imaging. Capital costs authorized for this project total \$467,056. The project is expected to be completed by June 1, 2026. This certificate is issued with the condition that appears on its reverse.



Pursuant to Chapter 4, Article 1:1 of Title 32.1, Sections 32.1-102.1 through 32.1-102.12 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended and the policies and procedures promulgated thereunder, this Medical Care Facilities Certificate of Public Need is issued contingent upon substantial and continuing progress towards implementation of the proposal within twelve (12) months from the date of issuance. A progress report shall be submitted to the State Health Commissioner within twelve (12) months from the date of issuance along with adequate assurance of completion within a reasonable time period. The Commissioner reserves the right not to renew this Certificate in the event the applicant fails to fulfill these conditions. This Certificate is non-transferable and is limited to the location, ownership, control and scope of the project shown herein.

Certificate Number: VA-04976

Date of Issuance: February 16, 2026

Expiration Date: February 15, 2027

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. Webb".

B. Cameron Webb MD, JD, State Health Commissioner

Virginia Cardiovascular Specialist, PC will provide cardiac PET/CT imaging to all persons in need of these services, regardless of their ability to pay, and will provide as charity care to all indigent persons free services or rate reductions in services and will facilitate the development and operation of primary medical care services to medically underserved persons in PD 15 in an aggregate amount equal to at least 2.0% of Virginia Cardiovascular Specialist, PC's gross patient revenue derived from cardiac PET/CT imaging. Compliance with this condition will be documented to the Division of Certificate of Public Need annually by providing audited or otherwise appropriately certified financial statements documenting compliance with the preceding requirement. Virginia Cardiovascular Specialist, PC will accept a revised percentage based on the regional average after such time regional charity care data valued under the provider reimbursement methodology utilized by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for reimbursement under Title XVIII of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. § 1395 et seq. is available from Virginia Health Information. The value of charity care provided individuals pursuant to this condition shall be based on the provider reimbursement methodology utilized by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for reimbursement under Title XVIII of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. § 1395 et seq.

Virginia Cardiovascular Specialist, PC will provide cardiac PET/CT imaging to individuals who are eligible for benefits under Title XVIII of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. § 1395 et seq.), Title XIX of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. § 1396 et seq.), and 10 U.S.C. § 1071 et seq. Virginia Cardiovascular Specialist, PC will facilitate the development and operation of primary and specialty medical care services in designated medically underserved areas of the applicant's service area.