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August 20, 2026

Mitesh Amin, MD
Chief Executive Officer
AlignedCardio
7275 Glen Forest Drive, Suite 202
Richmond, Virginia 23226

RE: COPN No. VA-04996 (COPN Request No. VA-8885)
Southwest Virginia Cardiology, a practice of James River Cardiology, LLC
d/b/a Aligned Cardio
Salem, Virginia
Establish a Center for PET services with one fixed PET/CT scanner limited to
cardiovascular imaging

Dear Dr. Amin,

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 James River Cardiology, LLC d/b/a AlignedCardio to establish a specialized center for the provision of PET imaging with one PET/CT scanner, restricted to cardiovascular imaging, at AlignedCardio.

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:

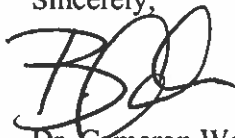
1. AlignedCardio's proposal is generally consistent with the applicable standards and criteria of the State Medical Facilities Plan and the 8 Required Considerations of the Code of Virginia.
2. The applicant's existing patient base and proposed cardiovascular restriction make it unlikely that the proposal will negatively impact existing providers.
3. There is no alternative identified to the proposed project, and it is more beneficial than the status quo.

4. Projected costs are reasonable, and the proposal is wholly feasible.
5. There is no known opposition to the proposed project.

This certificate is valid for the period August 20, 2026 through August 19, 2027
The total authorized capital cost of the project is \$1,178,085.

Please file two copies of the application for a certificate extension with the Virginia Department of Health 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,



Dr. Cameron Webb
State Health Commissioner

Enclosure

cc:

Charis A. Mitchell, Assistant Attorney General, Commonwealth of Virginia
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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
MEDICAL CARE FACILITIES CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC NEED

THIS CERTIFIES THAT James River Cardiology, LLC d/b/a AlignedCardio is authorized to initiate the proposal as described below.

NAME OF FACILITY: Southwest Virginia Cardiology, a practice of AlignedCardio

LOCATION: 2850 Keagy Road, Salem, Virginia 24153

OWNERSHIP AND CONTROL: AlignedCardio

SCOPE OF PROJECT: Establish a specialized center for the provision of PET imaging, restricted to cardiovascular imaging, with one PET/CT scanner at Southwest Virginia Cardiology, a practice of AlignedCardio for a total of one PET/CT scanner. Capital costs authorized for this project total \$1,178,085. The project is expected to be completed by December 16, 2028. 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-04996

Date of Issuance: August 20, 2026

Expiration Date: August 19, 2027


Dr. Cameron Webb, State Health Commissioner

James River Cardiology, LLC d/b/a AlignedCardio will provide cardiovascular PET/CT services 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 5 in an aggregate amount equal to at least 1.3% of AlignedCardio's gross patient revenue derived from PET/CT services. 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.

AlignedCardio will provide PET/CT services 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. AlignedCardio will facilitate the development and operation of primary and specialty medical care services in designated medically underserved areas of the applicant's service area.