MARYLAND HEALTH CARE COMMISSION

Certificate of Need

- TO:Katherine Bonincontri, MHR, MS, LCPC-S,
President and Executive Director,
Pascal Crisis Services, Inc.May 18, 2023
Date43 Community Place
Crownsville, Maryland 21032Date
- **RE:** Pascal Crisis Services, Inc. Intermediate Care Facility

22-02-2459 Docket No.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This Certificate of Need authorizes Pascal Crisis Services, Inc. (Pascal) to establish an Intermediate Care Facility for alcohol and drug abuse treatment by adding 20 American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) Level 3.7 withdrawal management (WM) beds to its Crownsville, Maryland facility.

These beds will be located in existing space with the only capital expenditure of \$60,500 required for renovations.

<u>ORDER</u>

The Maryland Health Care Commission reviewed Commissioner Wang's Recommended Decision and, based on that analysis and the record in the review, ordered on May 18, 2023 that a Certificate of Need be issued authorizing Pascal Crisis Services, Inc. to include ASAM level 3.7 and 3.7WM at its facility in Crownsville, MD. This authorization constitutes the establishment of a 20 bed Track Two Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Intermediate Care Facility serving primarily publicly funded patients, with the following conditions:

1. Prior to first use approval, Pascal shall document that it has posted a statement of charges and information regarding the range and types of its services online and in a prominent place in the registration area, and shall also provide a copy of the document with this information that it will provide to the public upon request; and

- 2. Prior to first use approval, Pascal shall provide proof of preliminary accreditation of the ICF to the Commission on the Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) or another accrediting body approved by the Maryland Department of Health and must timely receive final accreditation by CARF or another approved accrediting body; and
- 3. Pascal shall notify the Commission and the Behavioral Health Administration, in writing, within fifteen days after it receives notice that its accreditation has been revoked or suspended or should it lose its State license or certification. If its accreditation has been revoked or suspended for reasons related to health or safety or it loses its State license, Pascal shall cease operation until the Behavioral Health Administration notifies the Commission that the deficiencies have been corrected. (COMAR 10.24.14.05H)

PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

In accordance with COMAR 10.24.01.12C(3)(f), this project is subject to the following performance requirements:

A change in bed capacity or services that requires review under Regulation .02 of this chapter but involves capital expenditure below the capital expenditure threshold specified in Regulation .01B of this chapter has the following requirements:

- 1. Obligation of not less than 51 percent of the approved capital expenditure, as documented by a binding construction contract, within 3 months of the date of this Certificate of Need;
- 2. Documentation that the approved project has been completed, has been licensed, and has met all legal requirements and is providing the approved services no later than 6 months after the effective date of the binding construction contract.

PROPOSED CHANGES TO APPROVED PROJECT

Before making any project changes in the Certificate of Need application approved by the Commission, Pascal must notify the Commission in writing and receive Commission approval of each proposed change, including the obligation of any funds above those approved by the Commission in this Certificate of Need, in accordance with COMAR 10.24.01.17.

DESIGN APPROVAL AND FACILITIES LICENSURE BY MDH

This Certificate of Need does not constitute a license or replace any approvals required by the Behavioral Health Administration, or others within the Maryland Department of Health (MDH) to construct and operate new space added to an existing facility, or to renovate space within an

existing facility, Pascal. must provide MDH with all information it requires for plan approval, facility licensure, and putting into operation new space added to an existing facility, or renovated space within an existing facility, including information pertaining to project design and specifications.

QUARTERLY STATUS REPORTS

Pascal must submit quarterly status reports to the Commission, beginning August 18, 2023, three months from the date of this Certificate of Need, and continuing, at three-month intervals, until the completion of the project.

REQUEST FOR FIRST USE REVIEW

Pascal must request a first use approval from the Commission and the Behavioral Health Administration (BHA) or others in the MDH specifying the anticipated date of first use. Such request must be in writing and made before the first use of its newly renovated space for the Track Two Intermediate Care Facility.. The Commission will review the request in consultation with the BHA, as provided in COMAR 10.24.01.18, to determine whether the project conforms to this Certificate of Need. First use approval does not constitute a license or replace any approvals required by Office of Health Care Quality, BHA, or others within MDH to use renovated space within an existing facility. Therefore, Pascal should assure that BHA is notified of the imminent completion of the project and should arrange for completion of any inspections and or approvals required by BHA in a timely manner. First use approval, Pascal shall reapply for first use approval.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF CERTIFICATE OF NEED

Acknowledgement of your receipt of this Certificate of Need, stating acceptance of its terms and conditions, is required within thirty (30) days.

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cc: Tonii Gedin, Acting Health Officer, Anne Arundel County Lisa A. Burgess, MD., Acting Deputy Secretary, Behavioral Health Administration