

Project Impact

Below is quoted text from COMAR 10.24.01.08G(3)(f) regarding the criterion of project impact in the review of applications for a Certificate of Need.

(f) Project Impact. The Commission shall consider the impact of the proposed project on the costs and charges of existing providers of the facilities and services included in the project and on access to those facilities and services in the service area of the project.

Health Equity

Below is quoted text from COMAR 10.24.01.08G(3)(g) regarding the criterion of health equity in the review of applications for a Certificate of Need.

(g) Health Equity. The Commission shall consider how a proposed project will address health care disparities in availability, accessibility, and quality of care among different populations within the service area. The Commission shall consider how social determinants of health within the service area of the proposed project create disparities in the delivery of health care.

Cost-Effectiveness

Below is quoted text from COMAR 10.24.01.08G(3)(c) regarding the criterion of alternatives to the Project in the review of applications for a Certificate of Need.

(c) Alternatives to the Project. The Commission shall consider the alternative approaches to meeting the need identified for the project that were considered by the applicant in planning the project and the basis for the applicant's choice of the project among considered alternatives. In a comparative review of applications within the same review cycle, the Commission shall compare the costs and the likely effectiveness of alternative projects in meeting identified needs, improving the availability and accessibility of care, and improving the quality of care.

Sex Specific Programs

Below is quoted text from COMAR 10.24.07.02(3)(b) regarding the criterion for sex specific programs in the review of applications for a Certificate of Need.

(b) Sex Specific Programs. Each applicant shall document sex specific programs, and provide a separate therapeutic environment and, to the extent necessary, a separate physical environment consistent with the treatment needs of each group it proposes to serve.

Special Clinical Needs

Below is quoted text from COMAR 10.24.07.02.03(c) regarding the criterion for special clinical needs in the review of applications for a Certificate of Need.

(c) Special Clinical Needs. Each applicant shall document treatment programs for those youth with a coexisting mental health and a developmental disability.

Minimum Services

Below is quoted text from COMAR 10.24.07.02.03(d) regarding the criterion for minimum services in the review of applications for a Certificate of Need.

(d) Minimum Services. Each applicant shall propose and document services which include, at a minimum: patient supervision, assessment, screening, evaluation including psychiatric evaluation, psychological testing and individual treatment plan; ward activities; individual, group and family treatment; patient and family education; medication management; treatment planning; case management; placement and aftercare/discharge planning.

Treatment Planning and Family Involvement

Below is quoted text from COMAR 10.24.07.02.03(e) regarding the criterion of treatment planning and family involvement in the review of applications for a Certificate of Need.

(e) Treatment Planning and Family Involvement. Each applicant shall document that the required minimum services will be provided by a coordinated multi-interdisciplinary treatment team that addresses daily living skills within a group setting; family involvement in treatment to the greatest extent possible, restoration of family functioning; and any other specialized areas that the individualized diagnostic and treatment process reveals is necessary for the patient and family.

Education

Below is quoted text from COMAR 10.24.07.02.03(f) regarding the criterion of education in the review of applications for a Certificate of Need.

(f) Education. Each applicant shall document that it will:

(i) Provide a comprehensive educational program that includes general, special education, pre career and technology instruction consistent with COMAR 13A.05.01 and COMAR 13A.09.09 Educational Programs in Nonpublic Schools and Child Care and Treatment Facilities;

(ii) Provide educational services for Level V non-public and Level VI students on the same campus as the treatment facility;

(iii) Enter into agreements with local education agencies for the education of all other students; and

(iv) Provide a pre-vocational and vocational program that provides a variety of training programs for students who require job training.

Staff Training

Below is quoted text from COMAR 10.24.07.02.03(h) regarding the criterion of staff training in the review of applications for a Certificate of Need.

(h) Staff Training. Each applicant shall document that it will:

(i) Provide a minimum of 40 hours of training to new employees prior to their assuming full job responsibilities;

(ii) For each category of direct service personnel provide the curriculum for this training and show how the training will help staff meet the clinical needs of this population; and

(iii) Provide a continuing education program for all categories of direct service personnel.

Staffing

Below is quoted text from COMAR 10.24.07.02.03(i) regarding the criterion of staffing in the review of applications for a Certificate of Need.

(i) Staffing.

(i) The applicant shall document that it will provide, either directly or by agreement, sufficient number of qualified professional, technical, and supportive staff to provide services to attain or maintain the highest practicable physical, mental, and psychosocial wellbeing of each resident as determined by a comprehensive assessment and individualized treatment and education plan.

(ii) The applicant shall document how the level of staffing will provide active treatment and fulfill the goals of its proposed treatment programs and meet the needs of the patients.

Accreditation and Certification

Below is quoted text from COMAR 10.24.07.02.03() regarding the criterion of accreditation and certification in the review of applications for a Certificate of Need.

(k) Accreditation and Certification. Each applicant proposing a new facility shall agree in writing to apply for JCAHO accreditation and Medicaid certification as soon as permissible after opening and be jointly licensed as a Special Hospital Psychiatric Facility (COMAR 10.07.01) and as a Residential Treatment Centers (COMAR 10.07.04).

Security

Below is quoted text from COMAR 10.24.07.02.03(m) regarding the criterion for security in the review of applications for a Certificate of Need.

(m) Security. Each applicant shall document it can provide capacity to provide care in secure units, as necessary.

Medical Assistance

Below is quoted text from COMAR 10.24.07.02.03() regarding the criterion of medical assistance in the review of applications for a Certificate of Need.

(g) Medical Assistance. Each applicant shall meet Maryland Medical Assistance Program requirements to establish an Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment program, called in Maryland, "The Maryland Healthy Kids Program".

State Regulations

Below is quoted text from COMAR 10.24.07.02.03(j) regarding the criterion of state regulations in the review of applications for a Certificate of Need.

(j) State Regulations. Each applicant shall document its compliance, or state its intention to comply with all mandated federal, State, and local health and safety regulations and applicable licensure and certification standards.

Criminal Background Investigations

Below is quoted text from COMAR 10.24.07.02.03(i) regarding the criterion of criminal background investigations in the review of applications for a Certificate of Need.

(l) Criminal Background Investigations. Each applicant shall document its procedure for:

(i) Complying with Family Law Article, §5 560 through §568, Annotated Code of Maryland, governing criminal background investigations for employees; and

(ii) Subjecting volunteers to criminal background investigations.