

PUBLIC NOTICE

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THE COMMISSIONER

Notice of Postponement of Certificate of Need Call for New Specialized Long-Term Care Beds for Severe Behavior Management

Take notice that, in compliance with N.J.S.A. 26:2H-1 et seq., and N.J.A.C. 8:33-4.1(a)2, Jeffrey A. Brown, Acting Commissioner, New Jersey Department of Health (Department), hereby publishes notice that the January 2, 2026, certificate of need (CN) call for applications for new specialized long-term beds for severe behavior management (SBM) is hereby postponed.

The notice for CN calls for applications for SBM beds occurs annually. With regard to the January 2, 2025, CN call, a postponement was published on April 7, 2025, at 57 N.J.R. 730(c). The Department indicated that the 2025 CN call was postponed because the Department was in the process of gathering and evaluating data to determine whether there is a need for new SBM beds. The Department has not completed that determination. Accordingly, it is necessary to delay the January 2, 2026 CN call for new specialized long-term care beds for SBM to allow the Department sufficient time to complete its need evaluation and to provide potential applicants and affected parties sufficient time to respond appropriately to a CN call notice in the event the Department determines that a CN call is appropriate. If the Department proceeds with the January 2, 2026, CN call, then a notice for new specialized long-term care beds for SBM will be published in a future issue of the New Jersey Register, which will provide sufficient time for both potential applicants and interested parties to respond to

the future CN call notice. In the alternative, if the Department makes the determination to cancel the January 2, 2026, CN call, then the Department will publish a cancelation notice in a future issue of the New Jersey Register.