

**MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
LEGAL NOTICE  
JULY 18, 2019**

The Mississippi State Department of Health hereby gives notice of staff recommendation(s) for the listed project(s) reviewed during July 2019.

**CON Review Number: HG-AB-0619-008  
Forrest County General Hospital, d/b/a Forrest General Hospital  
Addition of Two (2) Level I Comprehensive Medical Rehabilitation  
Beds  
Capital Expenditure: \$0.00  
Location: Hattiesburg, Forrest County, Mississippi  
Staff Recommendation: Approved**

The staff analysis for the captioned projects will be available and online by July 18, 2019. Any person may request copies of the staff analyses by contacting this office in writing. A minimum charge of \$5.00 is required for each copy.

After the publication of the staff analysis, and before a written decision is made by the State Health Officer, there shall be no ex parte contacts between (a) any person acting on behalf of the applicant or holder of the CON or any person opposed to the issuance or in favor of the withdrawal of the CON and (b) the State Health Officer; the Director of the Office of Health Policy and Planning; the hearing officer; or the staff of Health Planning and Resource Development.

The governing legislation and the Mississippi State Department of Health rules provide that any person directly affected by the proposal may request a public hearing during the course of review. To be effective, the request for public hearing must be received by the Department within 10 days of the date of publication of the staff analysis; and must be accompanied by the required \$6,000 hearing fee. The opportunity to request a hearing expires on July 28, 2019. However, since July 28, 2019 is a Sunday, requests for a hearing will be accepted until Monday - July 29, 2019.

The Department will conduct such hearing within 60 days from the date of the hearing request, unless the time period is waived.

For further information, please contact the Division of Health Planning and Resource Development of this office at (601) 576-7874.