

November 18, 2022

Marc Gorelick, MD
President and Chief Executive
Children's Minnesota

Submitted via e-mail

Dear Dr. Gorelick,

This letter is to provide formal notice that, as of November 14, 2022, the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) has received sufficient information to *begin* a public interest review, as required by Minnesota Statutes, section 144.552, for a project to add 22 licensed beds in the city of Saint Paul for the provision of pediatric inpatient mental health care.

As you know, the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) is directed by Minnesota Statutes, section 144.552 (e) to conduct reviews in the order that they are received. When Children's Minnesota submitted paperwork for review in February 2022, there were two reviews that had been received prior to the Children's proposal. MDH may take up to 150 days to issue a finding as to whether the proposed increase in the number of beds is in the public interest. As part of conducting our review we will publish a notice in the state register notifying the public of this work, reach out to affected parties, and request public comment on the proposal. All information will be available online at: www.health.state.mn.us/data/economics/moratorium/

Should you or your staff have questions about the public interest review, in general, or this correspondence, specifically, please follow-up with me or with Alisha Simon, who leads MDH's activities related to the Public Interest Review. Alisha can be reached at Alisha.Simon@state.mn.us.

Sincerely,



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