

August 28, 2024

**Via Electronic Mail - shpda.online@shpda.alabama.gov**

Emily T. Marsal, Executive Director  
Alabama State Health Planning  
& Development Agency  
100 North Union Street, Suite 870  
Montgomery, AL 36104

**Re: St. Vincent's Chilton ("Chilton")  
Non-Reviewability Determination Request**

Dear Ms. Marsal,

Pursuant to 410-1-7-02 of the CON Program Rules and Regulations (the "Regulations"), I am writing to request your determination that Chilton's proposed Emergency Department ("ED") renovation project is not subject to certificate of need review.

Chilton operates a 30-bed hospital in Chilton County, Alabama at 2030 Lay Dam Road, Clanton, AL 35046. Chilton proposes to renovate its existing ED by building out two existing rooms. This ED renovation project will not change the number of Chilton's licensed hospital beds or its current CON for 30 hospital beds.

Chilton will not add any new beds, provide any new health services, convert any beds from one classification to another classification, or make any expenditures in excess of the applicable spending thresholds under Ala. Code 22-21-263(a)(2) and 410-1-4-.01(1)(b) of the Regulations in connection with its ED renovation project. Specifically, Chilton anticipates the cost to complete the ED renovation project to be as follows:

Capital/Construction -	\$332,606
Equipment -	\$0
New First Year Annual Operating -	\$29,548

Chilton is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Ascension St. Vincent's. No other healthcare facility or group has a financial interest in Chilton.

Based upon the information set forth above, Chilton respectfully requests that the State Health Planning and Development Agency issue a letter confirming that a certificate of need is not required in order for Chilton to complete its ED renovation project as described above.

Payment of the \$1,000 filing fee for this non-reviewability determination request is being made via the SHPDA online payment portal. Please feel free to contact me if you need any additional information. You can reach me at 205-258-4351 or shanon.hamilton@ascension.org.

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Set forth below is the Affirmation of Requesting Party required by 410-1-7-.02 of the Regulations:

The undersigned, being first duly sworn, hereby makes oath or affirms that she is the Administrator of St. Vincent's Chilton, has knowledge of the facts in this request, and to the best of her information, knowledge and belief, such facts are true and correct.

**St. Vincent's Chilton**

Shanon Hamilton

Shanon Hamilton  
Administrator

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28th day of August, 2024.

Treva Patterson  
Notary Public  
My commission expires: 3/12/2025

