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**RE: Letter of Intent to File a Certificate of Need Application for Renovation  
of the Ponce De Leon Infectious Disease Center, Atlanta, Fulton County**

Dear Ms. Hillock:

This is to notify the Division that Grady Memorial Hospital Corporation d/b/a Grady Health System intends to file a Certificate of Need (CON) application for the renovation of Grady's existing Ponce De Leon Infectious Disease Center.

**Legal Applicant:** Grady Memorial Hospital Corporation d/b/a Grady Health System

**Contact Name and Title:** Shannon Sale  
Chief Strategy Officer  
Grady Health System  
80 Jesse Hill Drive, SE  
Atlanta, GA 30303

**Facility Name:** Grady Ponce De Leon Center

**Facility Address:** 341 Ponce De Leon Avenue, NE  
Atlanta, GA 30308

**Description of Proposed Project**

The proposed project involves the major renovation of Grady's Ponce De Leon Center which is one of the largest, most comprehensive facilities dedicated to the treatment of advanced HIV/AIDS in the United States. The building was constructed in the mid-1960's and has not undergone a significant renovation since the 1990's. The Center needs renovation and updates to accommodate the large number of patients treated on an annual basis and to ensure the treatment environment is modernized, efficient and comfortable.

**Total Estimated Project Cost:** The total estimated cost of the project is \$38,000,000.

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**Proposed Service Area**

Grady Memorial Hospital is located in Atlanta, Fulton County. For planning purposes, Grady Memorial Hospital is located in SDR 3. The hospital's service area includes the following counties:

**Primary Service Area**

Fulton  
DeKalb

**Secondary Service Area**

Clayton  
Cobb  
Gwinnett  
Henry

**Extended Service Area**

Includes the remaining 23 Atlanta MSA counties and most other counties in the state.

The CON application will be filed within 30 days of the date of this letter. If you need any additional information, please contact me at (404) 616-7029 or via email at [ssale@gmh.edu](mailto:ssale@gmh.edu).

Sincerely,

Shannon Sale  
Chief Strategy Officer  
Grady Health System