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Subject: Acknowledgement of receipt – Abbott Northwestern-WestHealth 90-Bed Relocation PIR
Date: Friday, August 7, 2026 3:57:00 PM
Attachments:

Dear Ms. McHenry,

The Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) acknowledges receipt on July 31, 2026 of Allina Health's application concerning the proposed relocation of 90 licensed hospital beds from Abbot Northwestern Hospital in Minneapolis to the Abbot Northwestern-WestHealth campus in Plymouth.

MDH has opened a separate administrative record for this proposal under the project name:

Abbott Northwestern-WestHealth 90-Bed Relocation Public Interest Review

MDH is beginning its preliminary review of the application to determine whether the submission contains sufficient information to commence the public-interest review. During this completeness review, MDH may contact you to request additional information or clarification.

The acknowledgment confirms receipt of the application only. It does not constitute a determination that the application is complete, acceptance of any factual or legal characterization in the application or finding regarding whether the proposal is in the public interest. If MDH determines that the application is complete, MDH will provide a separate written notice establishing the beginning of the formal review period.

To ensure that materials are included in the correct administrative record, please identify future correspondence with the project name above.

Sincerely,

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