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### **Two compete for MRI scanner in Orange County**

RALEIGH – Two applicants have filed competing proposals with the Certificate of Need Section of the NC Division of Health Service Regulation to acquire a magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) scanner.

A public hearing for these projects will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Oct. 19 at the Chapel Hill Public Library at 100 Library Drive, Chapel Hill.

The 2009 State Medical Facilities Plan (SMFP) identifies a need for one additional MRI scanner for the service area for Orange and Caswell counties. A brief description of each proposed project follows:

- University of North Carolina Hospitals at Chapel Hill proposes to acquire a 1.5-Tesla MRI scanner for a cost of \$2.3 million to be located at the hospital's Imaging and Outpatient Center at Raleigh Road (Highway 54) and Finley Golf Course Road in Chapel Hill.
- Triangle Orthopaedic Associates, P.A. proposes to acquire a 1.5-Tesla MRI scanner for a cost of \$2.5 million to be located in a medical office building at 100 Perkins Drive in Chapel Hill.

Anyone may file written comments concerning these proposals. Comments must be received by the Certificate of Need Section no later than October 1 at the following address:

Certificate of Need Section  
Division of Health Service Regulation  
2704 Mail Service Center  
Raleigh, NC 27699-2704

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