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Four compete for dialysis facility in Alexander County

RALEIGH – Total Renal Care, Independent Nephrology Services, Bio-Medical Applications, and Renal Advantage Incorporated have filed competing applications with the Certificate of Need Section of the N.C. Division of Health Service Regulation to develop a 10-station dialysis facility.

A public hearing for these projects will be held on Nov. 17 at 10 a.m. at the Alexander County Department of Social Services, Conference Room, 604 Seventh St. SW, Taylorsville.

The July 2009 Semi-Annual Dialysis Report, a component of the 2009 State Medical Facilities Plan, has identified a need for a 10 station dialysis facility in Alexander County. Dialysis is a process that filters impurities from the blood of a person whose kidneys have failed. At the end of last year, 28 local residents are obtaining dialysis in neighboring counties, while 6 dialyzed at home.

A summary of each 10-station proposal follows:

- Total Renal Care of North Carolina, proposes to develop Alexander County Dialysis on N.C. Highway 16 near the intersection of Macedonia Church Road for \$1.2 million.
- Independent Nephrology Services proposes to develop Independent Nephrology Services-Taylorsville in leased space at 901 N.C. Highway 16 South for \$910,000.
- Bio-Medical Applications of North Carolina proposes to develop Fresenius Medical Care of Alexander County on Buffet Boulevard for \$846,000.
- Renal Advantage Incorporated Care Centers of North Carolina proposes to develop Renal Advantage Incorporated Care Centers-Taylorsville at 781 N.C. Highway 16 South for \$1.26 million.

Anyone may file written comments concerning these proposals. Comments must be received by the Certificate of Need Section no later than Nov. 2 at the following address:

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