

Public Hearings on Health Facility Construction

The most states with a certificate of need process hold public hearings on every certificate of need application. Iowa conducts public hearings at least ten days before the Council meets to make a decision. Oregon conducts public hearings at least 21 days before a decision is due. Washington has a standard public comment period during the first 35 days after an application is accepted. Opposing parties must submit documentation to the state at that time. Below is a list of minimum expenditures that trigger a certificate of need review for states with such regulations.

Reviewability Thresholds for State Certificate of Need

State	Capital Expenditures	Medical Equipment	New Services
Alabama	\$4,251,780	\$2,125,890	Any amount
Alaska	\$1,050,000	\$1,050,000	\$1,050,000
Arkansas	\$500,000	n/a	n/a
Connecticut	\$1,000,000	\$400,000	0
Delaware	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	n/a
Dist. Of Columbia	\$2,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$600,000
Florida	n/a	n/a	n/a
Georgia	\$1,483,083	\$823,934	Any amount
Hawaii	\$4,000,000	\$1,000,000	Any amount
Illinois	\$7,167,063	\$6,575,036	Any amount
Iowa	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$500,000
Kentucky	\$1,951,612	\$1,951,612	n/a
Louisiana	n/a	n/a	Any LTC facility
Maine	\$2,666,198	\$1,333,099	\$112,800
Maryland	\$10,000,000	n/a	\$5,000,000
Massachusetts	\$12,516,300	n/a	Any amount
Michigan	\$2,715,000	Any amount	Any amount
Mississippi	\$2,000,000	\$1,500,000	Any amount
Missouri	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
Montana	\$1,500,000	n/a	\$150,000
Nebraska	Any LTC facility	n/a	n/a
Nevada	\$2,000,000	n/a	n/a
New Hampshire	\$2,150,891	\$400,000	Any amount
New Jersey	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	Any amount
New York	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000	Any amount
North Carolina	\$2,000,000	\$750,000	0
Ohio	\$2,000,000	n/a	n/a
Oklahoma	\$500,000	n/a	Any beds
Oregon	Any new hospital, LTC facility	n/a	Any new hospital, LTC facility
Rhode Island	\$2,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$750,000
South Carolina	\$2,000,000	\$600,000	\$1,000,000
Tennessee	\$2,000,000	\$1,500,000	Any beds

State	Capital Expenditures	Medical Equipment	New Services
Vermont	\$3,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$500,000
Virginia	\$5,000,000	Listed equipment	Listed services
Washington	\$1,000,000	n/a	Any amount
West Virginia	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	Any amount
Wisconsin	\$1,000,000	\$600,000	Any LTC facility

(Source: 2006 National Directory of State Certificate of Need Programs Health Planning Agencies)