



MASSACHUSETTS
HEALTH POLICY COMMISSION

NOTICE OF MATERIAL CHANGE FORM

Health Policy Commission
50 Milk Street, 8th Floor
Boston, MA 02109

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

The attached form should be used by a Provider or Provider Organization to provide a Notice of Material Change (“Notice”) to the Health Policy Commission (“Commission”), as required under M.G.L. c. 6D, § 13 and 958 CMR 7.00, Notices of Material Change and Cost and Market Impact Reviews. To complete the Notice, it is necessary to read and comply with 958 CMR 7.00, a copy of which may be obtained on the Commission’s website at www.mass.gov/hpc. Capitalized terms in this Notice are defined in 958 CMR 7.02. Additional sub-regulatory guidance may be available on the Commission’s website (e.g., Technical Bulletins, FAQs). For further assistance, please contact the Health Policy Commission at HPC-Notice@state.ma.us. This form is subject to statutory and regulatory changes that may take place from time to time.

REQUIREMENT TO FILE

This Notice must be submitted by any Provider or Provider Organization with \$25 million or more in Net Patient Service Revenue in the preceding fiscal year that is proposing a Material Change, as defined in 958 CMR 7.02. Notice must be filed with the Commission not fewer than 60 days before the consummation or closing of the transaction (i.e., the proposed effective date of the proposed Material Change).

SUBMISSION OF NOTICE

One electronic copy of the Notice, in a portable document form (pdf), should be submitted to the following:

Health Policy Commission HPC-Notice@state.ma.us;

Office of the Attorney General HCD-6D-NOTICE@state.ma.us;

Center for Health Information and Analysis CHIA-Legal@state.ma.us

PRELIMINARY REVIEW AND NOTICE OF COST AND MARKET IMPACT REVIEW

If the Commission considers the Notice to be incomplete, or if the Commission requires clarification of any information to make its determination, the Commission may, within 30 days of receipt of the Notice, notify the Provider or Provider Organization of the information or clarification necessary to complete the Notice.

The Commission will inform each notifying Provider or Provider Organization of any determination to initiate a Cost and Market Impact Review within 30 days of its receipt of a completed Notice and all required information, or by a later date as may be set by mutual agreement of the Provider or Provider Organization and the Commission.

CONFIDENTIALITY

Information on this Notice form itself shall be a public record and will be posted on the Commission’s website. Pursuant to 958 CMR 7.09, the Commission shall keep confidential all nonpublic information and documents obtained in connection with a Notice of Material Change and shall not disclose the information or documents to any person without the consent of the Provider or Payer that produced the information or documents, except in a Preliminary Report or Final Report of a Cost and Market Impact Review if the Commission believes that such disclosure should be made in the public interest after taking into account any privacy, trade secret or anti-competitive considerations. The confidential information and documents shall not be public records and shall be exempt from disclosure under M.G.L. c. 4, § 7 cl. 26 or M.G.L. c. 66, § 10.

NOTICE OF MATERIAL CHANGE

DATE OF NOTICE: 9/19/2017

1. Name: Harrington Memorial Hospital, Inc. ("HMH")

	Federal TAX ID #	MA DPH Facility ID #	NPI #
2.	042-10-3577	2143	1790780047

CONTACT INFORMATION

3. Business Address 1: 100 South Street

4. Business Address 2:

5. City: Southbridge

State: MA

Zip Code: 01550

6. Business Website: www.harringtonhospital.org

7. Contact First Name: Edward

Contact Last Name: Moore

8. Title: President & CEO

9. Contact Phone: (508) 765-9771

Extension: N/A

10. Contact Email: emoore@harringtonhospital.org

DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION

11. Briefly describe your organization.

HMH, a Massachusetts non-profit corporation and part of the Harrington HealthCare System, owns and operates a 114-bed acute-care hospital located in Southbridge and Webster, Massachusetts. It provides medical and surgical inpatient care, 24-hours emergency services, psychiatric care, pediatrics, an electronic intensive care unit, and comprehensive outpatient services.

TYPE OF MATERIAL CHANGE

12. Check the box that most accurately describes the proposed Material Change involving a Provider or Provider Organization:

- A Merger or affiliation with, or Acquisition of or by, a Carrier;
- A Merger with or Acquisition of or by a Hospital or a hospital system;
- Any other Acquisition, Merger, or affiliation (such as a Corporate Affiliation, Contracting Affiliation, or employment of Health Care Professionals) of, by, or with another Provider, Providers (such as multiple Health Care Professionals from the same Provider or Provider Organization), or Provider Organization that would result in an increase in annual Net Patient Service Revenue of the Provider or Provider Organization of ten million dollars or more, or in the Provider or Provider Organization having a near-majority of market share in a given service or region;
- Any Clinical Affiliation between two or more Providers or Provider Organizations that each had annual Net Patient Service Revenue of \$25 million or more in the preceding fiscal year; provided that this shall not include a Clinical Affiliation solely for the purpose of collaborating on clinical trials or graduate medical education programs; and
- Any formation of a partnership, joint venture, accountable care organization, parent corporation, management services organization, or other organization created for administering contracts with Carriers or third-party administrators or current or future contracting on behalf of one or more Providers or Provider Organizations.

13. What is the proposed effective date of the proposed Material Change? 10/1/2017

MATERIAL CHANGE NARRATIVE

14. *Briefly* describe the nature and objectives of the proposed Material Change, including any exchange of funds between the parties (such as any arrangement in which one party agrees to furnish the other party with a discount, rebate, or any other type of refund or remuneration in exchange for, or in any way related to, the provision of Health Care Services) and whether any changes in Health Care Services are anticipated in connection with the proposed Material Change:

The proposed arrangement consists of an agreement for OB/GYN Services by and among Harrington Physician Services, Inc. ("HPS") and UMass Memorial Health Care, Inc. ("UMMHC") (collectively, the "Parties") (the "Agreement"). HPS, an affiliated medical group of HMH, currently employs physicians who provide obstetrics and gynecology services at HMH's Obstetrics Department and on an outpatient basis at various locations throughout the southern Worcester County area of Massachusetts and northern Connecticut. Pursuant to 105 CMR 130.122, HMH is now in the process of implementing a planned closure of its Obstetrics Department under DPH review.

After the planned closure of the Obstetrics Department, HMH and HPS will contract with UMMHC so that (i) three (3) HPC OB/GYN physicians and one HPS Uro/GYN physician will apply for medical staff membership and privileges at UMass Memorial Medical Center ("UMMMC") and become part of UMMHC's obstetrics and gynecology call and coverage group; and (ii) HMH and UMMHC shall collaborate on community outreach to continue to render OB/GYN and Uro/GYN medical and outpatient services in HMH's service area.

The Agreement will not include any change of ownership or control of any resources by any party, nor will it involve any integration or joint venture.

15. *Briefly* describe the anticipated impact of the proposed Material Change, including but not limited to any anticipated impact on reimbursement rates, care referral patterns, access to needed services, and/or quality of care:

HMH anticipates that the Agreement with UMMHC will have no adverse impact on reimbursement rates, care referral patterns, access to needed services, and/or quality of care, and will enhance the continued availability of OB/GYN services to women in HMH's service area and will facilitate deliveries safely.

HMH and HPS anticipate that the Agreement with UMMHC will help preserve the outpatient prenatal and postnatal maternity services that HPS currently provides as well as the gynecological care within HMH's service area. The quality of care provided after the clinical affiliation goes into effect will be equal to the current quality of care. Similarly, HMH does not anticipate at this time that the Agreement will affect reimbursement rates or care referral patterns.

DEVELOPMENT OF THE MATERIAL CHANGE

16. Describe any other Material Changes you anticipate making in the next 12 months:

At this time, HMH does not anticipate that it will make any other material changes in the next 12 months.

17. Indicate the date and nature of any applications, forms, notices or other materials you have submitted regarding the proposed Material Change to any other state or federal agency:

On June 1, 2017, HMH President & CEO Ed Moore sent a letter to Sherman Lohnes, Director of the Division of Health Care Facility Licensure and Certification of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health ("DPH"). Pursuant to 105 CMR 130.122, the letter informed Mr. Lohnes of HMH's intent to notify DPH of the planned closure of HMH's Obstetrics Department. On June 28, 2017, Mr. Moore sent Mr. Lohnes a second letter which served as HMH's formal notice to DPH, pursuant to 105 CMR 130.122, of the planned closure of HMH's Obstetrics Department. On July 6, 2017, DPH published notice in the Southbridge News of a public hearing regarding the planned closure of HMH's Obstetrics Department. On July 28, 2017, DPH hosted the public hearing at the Public House, 227 Main Street, Sturbridge, MA 01566. On August 11, 2017, DPH sent Mr. Moore a letter to inform him that DPH had made a finding that HMH's Obstetrics Department provides an "essential health service" and required HMH to prepare a plan that detailed how access to such service would be maintained for residents of HMH's service area following the planned closure. On August 26, 2017, HMH submitted its plan to DPH. On September 6, 2017, HMH answered additional questions that were issued to it by DPH. DPH is still in the process of reviewing HMH's closure plan.

SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS

18. Submit the following materials, if applicable, under separate cover to HPC-Notice@state.ma.us.

The Health Policy Commission shall keep confidential all nonpublic information, as requested by the parties, in accordance with M.G.L. c. 6D, § 13(c), as amended by 2013 Mass. Acts, c. 38, § 20 (July 12, 2013).

- a. Copies of all current agreement(s) (with accompanying appendices and exhibits) governing the proposed Material Change (e.g., definitive agreements, affiliation agreements);
- b. A current organizational chart of your organization
- c. Any analytic support for your responses to Questions 14 and 15 above.

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This signed and notarized Affidavit of Truthfulness and Proper Submission is required for a complete submission.

AFFIDAVIT OF TRUTHFULNESS AND PROPER SUBMISSION

I, the undersigned, certify that:

1. I have read 958 CMR 7.00, Notices of Material Change and Cost and Market Impact Reviews.
2. I have read this Notice of Material Change and the information contained therein is accurate and true.
3. I have submitted the required copies of this Notice to the Health Policy Commission, the Office of the Attorney General, and the Center for Health Information and Analysis as required.

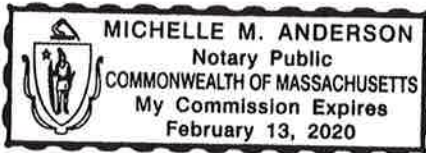
Signed on the 19th day of September, 2017, under the pains and penalties of perjury.

Signature: 

Name: Edward Moore

Title: President & CEO of Harrington Memorial Hospital, Inc.

FORM MUST BE NOTARIZED IN THE SPACE PROVIDED BELOW:




Notary Signature

Copies of this application have been submitted electronically as follows:

Office of the Attorney General (1)

Center for Health Information and Analysis (1)

EXPLANATIONS AND DEFINITIONS

1.	Name	Legal business name as reported with Internal Revenue Service. This may be the parent organization or local Provider Organization name.
2.	Federal TAX ID #	9-digit federal tax identification number also known as an employer identification number (EIN) assigned by the internal revenue service.
	MA DPH Facility ID #	If applicable, Massachusetts Department of Public Health Facility Identification Number.
	National Provider Identification Number (NPI)	10-digit National Provider identification number issued by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). This element pertains to the organization or entity directly providing service.
3.	Business Address 1	Address location/site of applicant
4.	Business Address 2	Address location/site of applicant continued often used to capture suite number, etc.
5.	City, State, Zip Code	Indicate the City, State, and Zip Code for the Provider Organization as defined by the US Postal Service.
6.	Business Website	Business website URL
7.	Contact Last Name, First Name	Last name and first name of the primary administrator completing the registration form.
8.	Title:	Professional title of the administrator completing the registration form.
9.	Contact Telephone and Extension	10-digit telephone number and telephone extension (if applicable) for administrator completing the registration form
10.	Contact Email	Contact email for administrator
11.	Description of Organization	Provide a brief description of the notifying organization's ownership, governance, and operational structure, including but not limited to Provider type (acute Hospital, physician group, skilled nursing facilities, independent practice organization, etc.), number of licensed beds, ownership type (corporation, partnership, limited liability corporation, etc.), service lines and service area(s).
		Indicate the nature of the proposed Material Change.
12.	Type of Material Change	<p><i>Definitions of terms:</i></p> <p>"Carrier", an insurer licensed or otherwise authorized to transact accident or health insurance under M.G.L. c. 175; a nonprofit Hospital service corporation organized under M.G.L. c. 176A; a nonprofit medical service corporation organized under M.G.L. c. 176B; a health maintenance organization organized under M.G.L. c. 176G; and an organization entering into a preferred provider arrangement under M.G.L. c. 176I; provided, that this shall not include an employer purchasing coverage or acting on behalf of its employees or the employees of one or more subsidiaries or affiliated corporations of the employer; provided that, unless otherwise noted, the term "Carrier" shall not include any entity to the extent it offers a policy, certificate or contract that provides coverage solely for dental care services or visions care services.</p>

“Hospital”, any hospital licensed under section 51 of chapter 111, the teaching hospital of the University of Massachusetts Medical School and any psychiatric facility licensed under section 19 of chapter 19.

“Net Patient Service Revenue”, the total revenue received for patient care from any third party Payer net of any contractual adjustments. For Hospitals, Net Patient Service Revenue should be as reported to the Center under M.G.L. c. 12C, § 8. For other Providers or Provider Organizations, Net Patient Service Revenue shall include the total revenue received for patient care from any third Party payer net of any contractual adjustments, including: (1) prior year third party settlements; and (2) premium revenue, which means per-member-per-month amounts received from a third party Payer to provide comprehensive Health Care Services for that period, for all Providers represented by the Provider or Provider Organization in contracting with Carriers, for all Providers represented by the Provider or Provider Organization in contracting with third party Payers..

“Provider”, any person, corporation, partnership, governmental unit, state institution or any other entity qualified under the laws of the Commonwealth to perform or provide Health Care Services.

“Provider Organization”, any corporation, partnership, business trust, association or organized group of persons, which is in the business of health care delivery or management, whether incorporated or not that represents one or more health care Providers in contracting with Carriers or third-party administrators for the payments of Health Care Services; provided, that a Provider Organization shall include, but not be limited to, physician organizations, physician-hospital organizations, independent practice associations, Provider networks, accountable care organizations and any other organization that contracts with Carriers for payment for Health Care Services.

13.	Proposed Effective Date of the Proposed Material Change	Indicate the effective date of the proposed Material Change. NOTE: The effective date may not be fewer than 60 days from the date of the filing of the Notice.
14.	Description of the Proposed Material Change	Provide a brief narrative describing the nature and objectives of the proposed Material Change, including any exchange of funds between the parties (such as any arrangement in which one party agrees to furnish the other party with a discount, rebate, or any other type of refund or remuneration in exchange for, or in any way related to, the provision of Health Care Services). Include organizational charts and other supporting materials as necessary to illustrate the proposed change in ownership, governance, or operational structure.
15.	Impact of the Proposed Material Change	Provide a brief description of any analysis conducted by the notifying organization as to the anticipated impact of the proposed Material Change including, but not limited to, the following factors, as applicable: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Costs • Prices, including prices of the Provider or Provider Organization involved in the proposed Merger, Acquisition, affiliation or other proposed Material Change • Utilization • Health Status Adjusted Total Medical Expenses • Market Share • Referral Patterns • Payer Mix • Service Area(s) • Service Line(s) • Service Mix

16. **Future Planned Material Changes** Provide a brief description of the nature, scope and dates of any pending or planned Material Changes, occurring between the notifying organization and any other entity, within the 12 months following the date of the notice.

17. **Submission to Other State or Federal Agencies** Indicate the date and nature of any other applications, forms, notices or other materials provided to other state or federal agencies relative to the proposed Material Change, including but not limited to the Department of Public Health (e.g., Determination of Need Application, Notice of Intent to Acquire, Change in Licensure), Massachusetts Attorney General (e.g., notice pursuant to G.L. c. 180, §8A(c)), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (e.g., Pioneer ACO or Medicare Shared Savings Program application) and Federal Trade Commission/Department of Justice (e.g., Notification and Report Form pursuant to 15 U.S.C. sec. 18a).
