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Notice of Postponement of Certificate of Need Call for Maternal and Child Health Services

Take notice that, in compliance with N.J.S.A. 26:2H-1 et seq., Kaitlan Baston, MD, MSc, DFASAM, Commissioner, New Jersey Department of Health (Department), hereby publishes notice that the January 1, 2025, call for certificate of need (CN) applications for regionalized perinatal services and maternal and child health services, is hereby postponed.

On February 4, 2019, the Department issued a CN call for additional Intermediate and Intensive Bassinets in several New Jersey counties (2019 Call). The 2019 Call was published in the New Jersey Register at 51 N.J.R. 178(a). In early 2022, the Department determined not to move forward with the 2019 Call, as it utilized a formula to determine the need for Intermediate and Intensive Bassinets that did not strictly adhere to the formula set forth at N.J.A.C. 8:33C-2.8. The Department is currently in the process of drafting new administrative rules at N.J.A.C. 8:33C to address and amend the formula set forth at N.J.A.C. 8:33C-2.8. Accordingly, it is necessary to postpone the January 1, 2025 CN call for regional perinatal services and maternal and child health services to allow the Department sufficient time to adopt new rules at N.J.A.C. 8:33C.

If the Department determines to proceed with the CN call, then a call for regionalized perinatal services and maternal and child health services will be published

in a future issue of the New Jersey Register, providing the necessary time for both potential applicants and interested parties to respond to the CN call notice. In the alternative, if the determination is made to cancel the CN call, then the Department will publish a cancellation notice in the New Jersey Register.