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- (i) By a health care facility;
- (ii) In space that is leased from a health care facility; or
- (iii) In space that is on land leased from a health care facility.
 - (2) This subsection does not apply if:
- (i) The Commission adopts limits for changes in health care services and the proposed change would not exceed those limits;
- [(ii) The proposed change would add a new health care service and:
- 1. During a 1-year period, the annual operating revenue that would result from the addition is less than \$250,000 after an annual adjustment for inflation, based on an appropriate index specified by the Commission; or
- 2.] (II) THE PROPOSED CHANGE AND the annual operating revenue that would result from the addition is entirely associated with the use of medical equipment;
- [(iii) The proposed change would increase or decrease the volume of one patient service and, during a 2-year period, the change is less than 25 percent of that volume; or]
- (111) THE PROPOSED CHANGE WOULD ESTABLISH, INCREASE, OR DECREASE A HEALTH CARE SERVICE AND THE CHANGE WOULD NOT RESULT IN THE:
- 1. ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW MEDICAL SERVICE OR ELIMINATION OF AN EXISTING MEDICAL SERVICE;
- 2. ESTABLISHMENT OF AN OPEN HEART SURGERY, ORGAN TRANSPLANT SURGERY, BURN OR NEONATAL INTENSIVE HEALTH CARE SERVICE;
- 3. ESTABLISHMENT OF A HOME HEALTH PROGRAM, HOSPICE PROGRAM, OR FREESTANDING AMBULATORY SURGICAL CENTER OR FACILITY PROGRAM; OR
- 4. EXPANSION OF A COMPREHENSIVE CARE PROGRAM, INCREASE IN TOTAL BED CAPACITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (H)(2)(I) OF THIS SECTION; OR