

EFFECT ON THE FINANCIAL ABILITY OF THE PROVIDER TO FURNISH CONTINUING CARE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVIDER'S CONTINUING CARE AGREEMENTS AND THIS SUBTITLE. A PROVIDER MAY NOT BEGIN CONSTRUCTION OF THE RENOVATION UNTIL THE PROVIDER RECEIVES WRITTEN APPROVAL FROM THE OFFICE.

(J) A PROVIDER SHALL FILE A REQUEST FOR APPROVAL FOR EACH EXPANSION IN A FORM SATISFACTORY TO THE OFFICE. AT LEAST 30 DAYS BEFORE FILING THE REQUEST, THE PROVIDER SHALL SUBMIT TO THE OFFICE A WRITTEN STATEMENT THAT SETS FORTH THE PROVIDER'S INTENT TO FILE AN EXPANSION REQUEST. THE REQUEST SHALL INCLUDE:

- (1) A STATEMENT OF THE PURPOSE OF AND NEED FOR THE EXPANSION;
- (2) IF THE EXPANSION INVOLVES LIVING UNITS, A PLAN THAT DEMONSTRATES TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE OFFICE THAT A MARKET EXISTS FOR THE ADDITIONAL LIVING UNITS;
- (3) A FINANCIAL PLAN THAT DEMONSTRATES TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE OFFICE THAT THE EXPANSION WILL NOT HAVE AN UNREASONABLY ADVERSE ~~AFFECT~~ EFFECT ON THE FINANCIAL ABILITY OF THE PROVIDER TO FURNISH CONTINUING CARE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVIDER'S CONTINUING CARE AGREEMENTS AND THIS SUBTITLE AT THE FACILITY IDENTIFIED IN THE PLAN AND AT EACH OTHER FACILITY OF THE PROVIDER IN THE STATE; AND
- (4) ANY OTHER INFORMATION THAT THE OFFICE REQUIRES.

(K) THE OFFICE SHALL APPROVE ANY EXPANSION REQUESTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SECTION AND, IF APPROPRIATE, ISSUE A NEW CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION IF THE OFFICE DETERMINES THAT THE PROPOSED EXPANSION WILL NOT HAVE AN UNREASONABLY ADVERSE ~~AFFECT~~ EFFECT ON THE FINANCIAL ABILITY OF THE PROVIDER TO FURNISH CONTINUING CARE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVIDER'S CONTINUING CARE AGREEMENTS AND THIS SUBTITLE. A PROVIDER MAY NOT BEGIN CONSTRUCTION OF THE EXPANSION UNTIL THE PROVIDER RECEIVES WRITTEN APPROVAL FROM THE OFFICE.

[(h)](L) It shall be the responsibility of the Office to make the information REQUIRED TO BE provided pursuant to this subtitle available to all interested persons. The Office shall publicize the availability of this information.

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(A) AT LEAST ANNUALLY, EACH PROVIDER SHALL CONDUCT A MEETING, OPEN TO ALL OF THE PROVIDER'S SUBSCRIBERS, AT WHICH AN AUTHORIZED OFFICER OF THE PROVIDER SHALL PRESENT A SUMMARY OF THE PROVIDER'S OPERATIONS, SIGNIFICANT CHANGES FROM THE PREVIOUS YEAR, AND THE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR THE NEXT YEAR. THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE PROVIDER SHALL MAKE PROVISIONS TO RECEIVE AND ANSWER QUESTIONS FROM SUBSCRIBERS AT THE MEETING.

(B) EACH GOVERNING BODY OF A PROVIDER THAT DOES NOT HAVE AT LEAST ONE SUBSCRIBER AS A MEMBER OR AS A REGULAR ATTENDEE AT ITS