

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON DIAGNOSTIC FACILITIES APPLICATIONS – ANNUAL REPORT

APRIL 1, 2022 – MARCH 31, 2023

All applications addressed or assessed by the ACDF in fiscal 2022-2023 are reflected in this report. The MSC addressed ACDF items from March 8, 2023, at its April 12, 2023, meeting. These application decisions are included here for accuracy and completeness.

Explanatory Notes

The following terms are used throughout this Annual Report:

1. “Applications” reviewed: each request for approval, regardless of how many application forms are used, is counted, and assessed independently by the Advisory Committee on Diagnostic Facilities (ACDF). For example, in an – “Application for physical expansion of services or significant change of an existing diagnostic facility”, facilities can apply for Physical Expansion of an Existing Diagnostic Facility, New/Replacement Equipment and Addition of a Service (to an existing Certificate of Approval) on one physical application form; however, the ACDF will assess and count these as three separate applications.
2. Applications that are “Recommended for Denial” are recommendations to the Medical Services Commission (MSC) by the ACDF. The ACDF does not have authority to deny an application, but instead makes a recommendation to the MSC, which makes the final determination.
3. Applications noted as “Denial Upheld by MSC” are decisions on applications where the MSC upheld the recommendation of the ACDF.
4. “Held in Abeyance” refers to applications where the MSC has not made a final determination about an application. This is generally to provide time for existing facilities providing the service in the catchment area to achieve “reasonable utilization”¹ before a determination can be made.
5. “Referred/Approved by MSC” are applications that the ACDF has referred to MSC, with recommendations, due to application complexity and/or potential impacts of the decision.

¹ Section 40 (1) of the Medical and Health Care Services Regulation specifies that the Commission and/or the Committee must not approve an application unless it is satisfied:

- there is sufficient medical need, and
- there is reasonable utilization of existing approved diagnostic facilities which provide the same services for which the approval is sought, and which are located within the catchment area under consideration.

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TOTAL APPLICATIONS ASSESSED: 96

TOTAL APPLICATIONS ASSESSED BY CHAIR: 26

TOTAL APPLICATIONS ASSESSED BY FULL COMMITTEE: 70

ELECTROMYOGRAPHY (EMG)

	NUMBER	ACDF APPROVED	ACDF RECOMMENDED FOR DENIAL	DENIAL UPHELD BY MSC	REFERRED/ APPROVED BY MSC	HELD IN ABEYANCE
New Certificate of Approval	12	12				
Relocation	0	0				
Total Applications	12	12				

POLYSOMNOGRAPHY

	NUMBER	ACDF APPROVED	ACDF RECOMMENDED FOR DENIAL	DENIAL UPHELD BY MSC	REFERRED/ APPROVED BY MSC	HELD IN ABEYANCE
New Certificate of Approval	28	2	17	(17)	4	5 □
Relocation	4	4				
Expansion of Services	2	2				
Transfer of Interest	11	11				
Total Applications	45	19	17	(17)	4	5 □

PULMONARY FUNCTION

	NUMBER	ACDF APPROVED	ACDF RECOMMENDED FOR DENIAL	DENIAL UPHELD BY MSC	REFERRED/ APPROVED BY MSC	HELD IN ABEYANCE
New Certificate of Approval	8	8				
Relocation	1	1				
Expansion of Service	1	1				
Total Applications	10	10				

RADIOLOGY

	NUMBER	ACDF APPROVED	ACDF RECOMMENDED FOR DENIAL	DENIAL UPHELD BY MSC	REFERRED/ APPROVED BY MSC	HELD IN ABEYANCE
New Certificate of Approval	3	3				
Relocation	2	2				
Expansion of Services	2	2				
Transfer of Interest	3	3				
Extension – Six-Month Lapse in Service	1	1				
Total Applications	11	11				

ULTRASOUND

	NUMBER	ACDF APPROVED	ACDF RECOMMENDED FOR DENIAL	DENIAL UPHELD BY MSC	REFERRED/ APPROVED BY MSC	HELD IN ABEYANCE
New Certificate of Approval	5	5				
Expansion of Services	9	9				
Expansion – Distance Reading	1	1				
New Distance Reading	1	1				
Transfer of Interest	1	1				
Increase Capacity	1	1				
Total Applications	18	18				
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Total	96	70	17	(17)	4	5 □

BREAKDOWN OF APPLICATIONS BY OWNERSHIP TYPE

PUBLICLY-OWNED FACILITIES (HEALTH AUTHORITIES)

	NUMBER	ACDF APPROVED	ACDF RECOMMENDED FOR DENIAL	DENIAL UPHELD BY MSC	REFERRED/ APPROVED BY MSC	HELD IN ABEYANCE
Electromyography – New Certificate of Approval	1	1				
Polysomnography – Expansion of Service	1	1				
Pulmonary Function – New Certificate of Approval	6	6				
Pulmonary Function – Expansion of Service	1	1				
Radiology – Extension to Six-Month Lapse in Service	1	1				
Radiology – Expansion of Service	2	2				
Ultrasound – New Certificate of Approval	5	5				
Ultrasound – Expansion of Services	7	7				
Ultrasound – Expansion of Distance Reading	1	1				
Ultrasound – New Distance Reading	1	1				
Ultrasound – Increase Capacity	1	1				
TOTAL APPLICATIONS	27	27				

PRIVATELY-OWNED FACILITIES

	NUMBER	ACDF APPROVED	ACDF RECOMMENDED FOR DENIAL	DENIAL UPHELD BY MSC	REFERRED/ APPROVED BY MSC	HELD IN ABEYANCE
Electromyography – New Certificate of Approval	11	11				
Polysomnography – New Certificate of Approval	28	2	17	(17)	4	5 ☐
Polysomnography – Relocation	4	4				
Polysomnography – Expansion of Service	1	1				
Polysomnography – Transfer of Interest	11	11				
Pulmonary Function – New Certificate of Approval	2	2				
Pulmonary Function – Relocation	1	1				
Radiology – New Certificate of Approval	3	3				
Radiology – Relocation	2	2				
Radiology – Transfer of Interest	3	3				
Ultrasound – Expansion of Service	2	2				
Ultrasound – Transfer of Interest	1	1				
TOTAL APPLICATIONS	69	43	17	(17)	4	5 ☐

☐ **REMAIN IN ABEYANCE**