



STATE OF WASHINGTON  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
*Olympia, Washington 98504*

March 4, 2020

Christine Miller, Administrator  
Avamere Heritage Rehab of Tacoma  
7411 Pacific Avenue  
Tacoma, WA 98408

RE: BB #20-08

Dear Ms. Miller:

Thank you for the Nursing Home Alternative Use Bed Banking Notice application requesting to bank 8 beds at Avamere Heritage Rehab of Tacoma under the alternate use provisions of Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 70.38.111(9). I understand that Heritage Rehab LLC is the licensee of Avamere Heritage Rehab of Tacoma. Currently, Avamere Heritage Rehab of Tacoma licensed capacity is 89 with 0 beds banked.

The table below shows the room number and the number of beds in each room, and the number of beds to be banked. The table below also shows the reason for the bed banking, and the remaining number of beds in each of rooms after banking (if any).

Room #	Current # of licensed beds in Room	# of Beds to Bank	Purpose of bed banking DOH Approved	# of Beds Remaining After Banking
301	2	2	Resident beauty shop	0
410	2	2	Resident dining room	0
411	2	2	Resident dining room	0
414	2	2	Dementia quiet room	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>		<b>0</b>

Based on the information provided in the application to bank beds, the Certificate of Need Program approves your request to bank 8 beds at Avamere Heritage Rehab of Tacoma under the alternate use provisions of RCW 70.38.111(9). After the 8 beds are banked, Avamere Heritage Rehab of Tacoma total number of licensed beds will be 81 with 8 banked beds.

To effectuate this bed banking, you must proceed with de-licensing of the 8 beds with the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS). RCW 70.38.111(9)(c) allows for a facility to bank beds for up to four years from the effective date. Once DSHS provides the Program with notification of the de-licensure of beds, our records will be updated to indicate that the 8 beds are banked for a term of four years.

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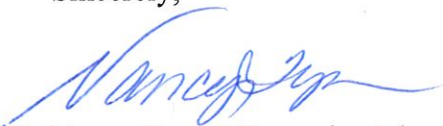
**Note:** Approval of this bed banking does not constitute approval under any other local, federal or state statute, implementing rules and regulations. Examples where additional approval may be necessary includes, but is not limited to, construction plan approval through the Construction Review Section of the Department of Health, facility licensing/certification through the Department of Social and Health Services or Department of Health, and other federal or local jurisdiction permits.

**Also Note:** Under the nursing home licensing WAC 388-97-3400 and 388-97-2160 (2)(b), a change in the use of a room requires review and approval by the Construction Review Program of the Department of Health. The contact number for Construction Review is (360) 236-2944.

If Avamere Heritage Rehab of Tacoma decides to modify the room numbers or alternative uses for the beds that have been banked, notification to the Certificate of Need Program is necessary under the provisions of WAC 246-310-395(4) to assure continued compliance with RCW 70.38.111(9)(a) and WAC 246-310-395.

If you have any question concerning bed banking, please call the Certificate of Need Program at (360) 236-2955.

Sincerely,



Nancy Tyson, Executive Director  
Health Facilities and Certificate of Need

cc: Department of Social and Health Services