2.G. New Construction or Additions

No new construction or additions or alterations shall commence without the applicant having first referred the plans to the Office of Planning, Research and Development for their recommendations, and without having prior written approval by the Department. The provisions of these rules and regulations do not prohibit the use of equivalent alternate space utilizations, new concepts of facility plan design and new finish materials.

2.G.1. An application for approval of new construction or additions or alterations shall be submitted on forms to be furnished by the Department.

2.G.2. Commencement of construction shall not occur until a certificate of approval has been issued by the Department.

2.G.3. Unless construction is commenced within one year from date of written approval of final working drawings and specifications, the application and the drawings shall be resubmitted for renewal of review and approval.

2.G.4. Minor alterations which do not affect the structural integrity of the building, which do not affect fire safety, which do not change primary functional operation, or which do not change the number of beds for which the facility is licensed, need not be submitted.

2.G.5. Routine maintenance and repairs do not require prior approval by the Department.

20.A. Structure

New Construction, Change of Ownership or Renovations

All new facilities, facilities changing ownership, or facilities proposing major renovations which require a Certificate of Need shall require the installation of an emergency generator.