NOTICE

THIS APPLICATION WAS REVISED IN JULY 2016
– PLEASE READ CAREFULLY -

Initial License Application To Operate a Hospital Freestanding Emergency Department (FED)

Regulations affecting the application for licensure of FEDs can be found by clicking the Rules tab or link on the applications page.

In addition to the application information, the following must also be submitted:

1. A completed license application and application fee. The application fee for a FED is $240, plus $6 per bed excluding the first ten beds. Application fees are not refundable. If you are applying for a state license and participation in the Medicare and Medicaid Reimbursement Program, the facility name must be the same on all documents.

2. Organizational documents such as Articles of Incorporation, Articles of Organization, LLC Agreement, Partnership Agreement, or Statement of Sole Proprietorship under which the facility will operate. A copy of the registration to conduct business in Alabama must accompany this application, if the entity was established in a state other than Alabama.

3. A copy of the Certificate of Need or Letter of Non-reviewability from the State Health Planning and Development Agency.

4. A copy of the Certificate of Completion. The proposed physical site for a FED (existing or new construction) must comply with certain requirements and be approved by the Technical Services Unit of this agency. Additional information can be obtained in the facilities rules section of this website or from the Technical Services Unit at (334) 206-5177.

Upon successful review of the application and approval by the Technical Services Unit, a copy of the application will be forwarded to the Division of Health Care Facilities. A staff member from the unit will contact the person identified in item 14 regarding an on-site licensure visit to determine if the facility meets minimum requirements for a state license.

A license may be granted upon approval of the application, building approval from Technical Services, and a successful on-site survey.

*NOTE* Due to workload volume, application review takes a minimum of thirty days. An on-site survey (if required) could add considerable time to completion of the licensure process. Applications must be submitted well in advance of anticipated start of operations. Applications must be submitted with all required documents and certificates as noted in the instructions before the review can begin.
The earliest date a license can be granted is the first day the complete application and any surveys have been approved by the Department. [For certified health care facilities and agencies, application to the appropriate MAC is recommended 180 days in advance of the anticipated start of operations.]

**Printing of License Certificates**
License certificates are now available on-line. When a license is granted or renewed the license certificate can be printed on-line at [https://dph1.adph.state.al.us/FacilityCertificatePrint](https://dph1.adph.state.al.us/FacilityCertificatePrint). A facility ID and pin number will be provided and must be used to print license certificates.

**Please note:** It is a violation of state law to provide FED services before you are granted a license from this agency. If you have questions regarding your application, please call (334) 206-5175.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
INITIAL FREESTANDING EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT APPLICATIONS

Item 1, Applicant. The applicant is the hospital and must be the same legal entity (partnership, corporation or other entity) who will be the governing authority of the facility and to whom the license will be granted (not the facility name). The name entered in this section must be exactly as printed on the legal document establishing the entity. A copy of the legal document must accompany this application. Entities established in a state other than Alabama must register to conduct business in Alabama with the Secretary of State’s Office. A copy of the registration must also accompany this application. If the facility is leased, the lessee should be indicated as the applicant. The lessee may be an individual, partnership, corporation, or other entity.

NOTE: The applicant must be the operator of the facility, the entity that hires or fires the administrator, determines patient care issues, makes payment for facility obligations, etc.

Item 6, Patient Capacity. Total number of patients that the facility is designed to treat at any one time.

Item 7, Facility Name. The information provided on this line will be entered in the Provider Services Directory and the facility will be referred to by this name exactly as entered on this application. This name should be the same as on advertisements, facility letterhead, signs in front of the facility, and certification information. This name must include the name of the hospital (as noted in the rules) and may not contain the term “urgent care”, nor may it be so similar to the name of any other licensed facility that, in the judgment of ADPH staff, there could be any confusion to the public. Governing authorities operating more than one facility may give the facilities they operate similar, but not identical names.

Item 9, Facility Mailing Address. The facility mailing address, street address, or post office box.

Item 16, Attestation of Responsible Person. A company officer, board member, administrator or other responsible person must sign the application and make the attestation.

Application Fee. The application fee for an FED is $240, plus $6 per bed excluding the first ten beds. Application fees are not refundable. Make a check or money order payable to the Alabama Department of Public Health.

Attachments. Each attachment must be referenced as a specific applicable item. For example, attachment to item 12 d should be referenced in the document and labeled.

Please note, applications can take 30 to 60 (or more) days to review and process.
INITIAL LICENSE APPLICATION TO OPERATE A HOSPITAL
FREESTANDING EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT (FED)

1. _______________________________________
   Applicant Hospital
   (See instructions on page 3.)

2. _______________________________________
   Applicant Address

3. _______________________________________
   City              State        Zip Code

4. _______________________________________
   Applicant Telephone Number

5. _______________________________________
   FED Administrator

6. _______________________________________
   Patient Capacity
   (See instructions on page 3.)

7. _______________________________________
   Facility Name
   (See instructions on page 3.)

8. _______________________________________
   FED Physical Address

9. _______________________________________
   FED Mailing Address
   (See instructions on page 3.)

10. _______________________________________
    City              Zip Code        County

11. _______________________________________
    FED Telephone Number

APPLICATION FEE

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The fee is $240, plus $6 per bed excluding the first ten beds.
MAKE CHECK OR MONEY ORDER PAYABLE TO:
ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE ONLY

Application Fee  _________  Check #  _______
Facility ID #  ____________________________
12. Applicant Information

a. Applicant is a (check one):

- Individual
- Nonprofit Corporation
- City
- Partnership
- Hospital Authority
- County
- Corporation
- State
- Joint City County
- Limited Liability Company
- Other: _____________________________________

b. List all the applicant’s board members and officers (attach additional paper if necessary).

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Specify

c. List the name(s) of any person or business entity that has 5% or more ownership interest in the applicant (attach additional paper if necessary). Also, attach a diagram depicting the organizational structure.

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d. Does this applicant or any of its owners listed in item “c” operate any other health care facility in Alabama or in any other state? YES ☐ NO ☐ If yes, attach a list including the type(s) of facility(s), name(s), address(s), and owner(s).

e. Have any of the facilities listed in item “d” had any adverse licensure action taken against them or been subject to exclusion from the Medicare or Medicaid Reimbursement Programs? YES ☐ NO ☐ If yes, attach an explanation.

f. Have the applicant, officers or principals ever had a license application denied by this or any other state? YES ☐ NO ☐ If yes, attach an explanation.
13. Has the facility administrator listed in item “5” of this application:

   a. ever been convicted of a crime? YES ☐ NO ☐

   b. ever been found guilty of abusing another individual? YES ☐ NO ☐

   c. ever had adverse action taken against a professional license, for example, nursing home administrator license, attorney license, nurse license, physician license. YES ☐ NO ☐

   d. ever been excluded from participation in Medicare or Medicaid Reimbursement Program? YES ☐ NO ☐

   If a, b, c, or d are yes, attach an explanation for each affirmative answer.

14. Provide the name, phone number, and email address for a knowledgeable person that can supply details about this application.

   Name (print) _______________________________ Title _______________________________

   Address ________________________________________________________________

   City-State-Zip _____________________________________________________________

   Phone __________________________ Email _______________________________
15. Administrator Signature:

I declare, under penalty of perjury, that I have not operated or allowed to be operated this facility, or any other facility, without a license. I agree to operate this facility according to the Rules of the Alabama State Board of Health.

___________________________________
Printed Name

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Signature

___________________________________
Date

NOTARIZED:
Sworn to and subscribed before me this ________
day of _____________ 20____.

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(Notary Public)

16. Attestation of Responsible Person:

I declare, under penalty of perjury, that I have personal knowledge about the statements made in this application and certify that all statements are true and correct. To the best of my knowledge, neither the applicant nor any of the principals, including myself, the owners, and the administrator, have operated or allowed to be operated this facility, or any other facility, without a license. I certify that I am authorized to make this representation on behalf of the applicant.

Signature: ________________________________ Print Name: ________________________________

Title/Position: ____________________________ Date: ________________________________

NOTARIZED:
Sworn to and subscribed before me this ________
day of _____________ 20____.

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(Notary Public)
MANDATORY ACKNOWLEDGMENT NOTICE

Pursuant to Alabama Code section 30-3-194, every applicant seeking from a state agency a license, certificate, permit, or authorization to engage in a profession, occupation, or commercial activity, must provide the social security number of the person signing the application, whether as an individual or on behalf of an entity or corporation. Failure to provide this social security number will result in the denial of the application.

Print or Type Name of Person Signing Application: ____________________________

Social Security Number of Person Signing Application: ________________________

Print or Type the Facility Name: ____________________________________________

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