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# Tracking And Appeals Report

***November 23, 2016 – November 29, 2016***

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## Letters of Intent

### **LOI2016079 Northside Hospital - Forsyth**

37 Bed Expansion of Short Stay General Hospital Beds & Cafeteria Renovation

**Received: 11/4/2016**

**Application must be submitted on: 12/5/2016**

**Site:** 1200 Northside Forsyth Drive, Cumming, GA 30041 (Forsyth County)

**Estimated Cost:** \$8,500,000

### **LOI2016080 The Medical Center of Central Georgia**

Renovation and Expansion of the Children's Hospital Building

**Received: 11/7/2016**

**Application must be submitted on: 12/7/2016**

**Site:** 777 Hemlock Street, Macon, GA 31201 (Bibb County)

**Estimated Cost:** \$66,000,000

### **LOI2016081 Northside Hospital - Atlanta**

32 Bed Expansion of Short Stay General Hospital Beds

**Received: 11/15/2016**

**Application must be submitted on: 12/15/2016**

**Site:** 1000 Johnson Ferry Road, Atlanta, GA 30342 (Fulton County)

**Estimated Cost:** \$0

### **LOI2016082 WellStar Kennestone Hospital**

Acquisition of a Biplane Angiography Unit

**Received: 11/18/2016**

**Application must be submitted on: 12/19/2016**

**Site:** 677 Church Street, Marietta, GA 30060 (Cobb County)

**Estimated Cost:** \$4,000,000

## Expired Letters of Intent

### **LOI2016068 WellStar Cobb Hospital**

Replacement and Remediation of Exterior Façade and Roof

**Received: 9/30/2016**

**Application must be submitted on: 10/31/2016**

**Site:** 3950 Austell Road, Austell, GA 30106 (Cobb County)

**Estimated Cost:** \$16,000,000

### **LOI2016075 Macon Vascular Care**

Establishment of a Single Specialty ASC SSCR 6 - [Batching](#)

**Received: 10/31/2016**

**Application must be submitted on: 11/28/2016 by 12 noon**

**Site:** 889 Second Street, Macon, GA 31201 (Bibb County)

**Estimated Cost:** \$500,000

### **LOI2016076 Northwest Atlanta Vascular Care**

Establishment of a Single Specialty ASC SSCR 3 - [Batching](#)

**Received: 10/31/2016**

**Application must be submitted on: 11/28/2016 by 12 noon**

**Site:** 790 Church Street NE, Marietta, GA 30060 (Cobb County)

**Estimated Cost:** \$500,000

### **LOI2016077 Northeast Atlanta Vascular Care**

Establishment of a Single Specialty ASC SSCR 3 - [Batching](#)

**Received: 10/31/2016**

**Application must be submitted on: 11/28/2016 by 12 noon**

**Site:** 1100 Lake Hearn Drive, Atlanta, GA 30342 (Fulton County)

**Estimated Cost:** \$500,000

## Pending Review/Incomplete Applications

none

## CON Applications Withdrawn by Applicant

### 2016-047 Southeastern Regional Medical Center

Expansion of Existing Radiation Therapy Services

**Filed:** 8/29/2016 **Deemed Complete:** 9/12/2016

**60th Day Deadline:** 11/10/2016

**Decision Deadline:** 1/9/2017

**WITHDRAWN:** 11/29/2016

**Site:** 600 Celebrate Life Parkway, Newnan, GA 30265 (Coweta County)

**Contact:** David Kent, COO 770-400-6261

**Estimated Cost:** \$15,300,000

## New CON Applications

### 2016-061 Piedmont Fayette Hospital

Establishment of EP Services and the Acquisition of Electrophysiology Equipment

**Filed:** 11/16/2016

**Site:** 1255 Highway 54 West, Fayetteville, GA 30214 (Fayette County)

**Contact:** Samuel Williamson, Dir. of Finance 770-719-6006

**Estimated Cost:** \$2,046,317

### 2016-062 Piedmont Fayette Hospital

Renovation of Main Surgical Suite and Addition of Two Shared Operating Rooms

**Filed:** 11/16/2016

**Site:** 1255 Highway 54 West, Fayetteville, GA 30214 (Fayette County)

**Contact:** Samuel Williamson, Dir. of Finance 770-719-6006

**Estimated Cost:** \$5,525,000

### 2016-063 Northeast Georgia Medical Center - South Hall Campus

Renovation of Existing Space, Development of 24-Bed Observational Unit and Staff Parking Lot

**Filed:** 11/17/2016

**Site:** 1400 River Place, Braselton, GA 30517 (Hall County)

**Contact:** Linda Berger, Dir. of Planning 770-219-6631

**Estimated Cost:** \$35,000,000

### 2016-064 Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital - Main Campus

Acquisition of a da Vinci Xi Surgical System

**Filed:** 11/18/2016

**Site:** 417 Third Avenue, Albany, GA 31701 (Dougherty County)

**Contact:** Lori Jenkins, Dir. of Strategy/Planning 229-312-1432

**Estimated Cost:** \$2,626,000

### 2016-065 Mayo Clinic Health System - Waycross

Acquisition of Mayo Clinic Health System - Waycross

**Filed:** 11/18/2016

**Site:** 1900 Tebeau Street, Waycross, GA 31501 (Ware County)

**Contact:** Gregg Gerken, VP 615-344-2031

**Estimated Cost:** \$60,000,000

## Pending Review/Complete Applications

### 2016-038 Athens Regional Medical Center at Oconee Health Park

Development of Hospital-Based Outpatient Diagnostic Services

**Filed:** 7/1/2016 **Deemed Incomplete:** 7/14/2016 **Deemed Complete:** 9/8/2016

**60th Day Deadline: 11/6/2016**

**Decision Deadline: 1/5/2017**

**Site:** 1305 Jennings Mill Road, Watkinsville, GA 30677 (Oconee County)

**Contact:** Jody Corry, VP, Corporate Counsel 706-475-1195

**Estimated Cost:** \$10,234,045

**2016-040 Piedmont Newton Hospital**

Renovation and Expansion of Emergency Department

**Filed: 7/25/2016 Deemed Incomplete: 8/4/2016 Deemed Complete: 8/18/2016**

**60th Day Deadline: 10/16/2016**

**Decision Deadline: 12/15/2016**

**Site:** 5126 Hospital Drive NE, Covington, GA 30014 (Newton County)

**Contact:** Troy Brooks, CFO 770-385-4426

**Estimated Cost:** \$8,680,000

**2016-041 Tift Regional Medical Center**

Relocation of Outpatient Rehabilitation Services to Medical Office Building

**Filed: 7/27/2016 Deemed Complete: 8/10/2016**

**60th Day Deadline: 10/8/2016**

**Decision Deadline: 12/7/2016**

**Site:** 2225 US Highway 41, Tifton, GA 31794 (Tift County)

**Contact:** Sarah Thompson, VP of Facilities Mgmt. 229-353-6102

**Estimated Cost:** \$8,653,100

**2016-042 Northeast Georgia Medical Center**

Replacement and Acquisition of da Vinci Xi Robotic Surgery System

**Filed: 7/29/2016 Deemed Incomplete: 8/12/2016 Deemed Complete: 8/18/2016**

**60th Day Deadline: 10/16/2016**

**Decision Deadline: 12/15/2016**

**Site:** 743 Spring Street, Gainesville, GA 30501 (Hall County)

**Contact:** Linda Berger, Dir. of Planning 770-219-6631

**Estimated Cost:** \$4,045,000

**2016-043 Doctors Hospital of Augusta**

Expansion and Relocation of Emergency Department

**Filed: 8/1/2016 Deemed Incomplete: 8/15/2016 Deemed Complete: 8/24/2016**

**60th Day Deadline: 10/22/2016**

**Decision Deadline: 12/21/2016**

**Site:** 3651 Wheeler Road, Augusta, GA 30909 (Richmond County)

**Contact:** Chris Cosby, COO 706-651-6101

**Estimated Cost:** \$19,788,000

**2016-044 Piedmont Atlanta Hospital**

Addition of 114 Short-Stay Inpatient Beds with Construction of Bed Tower

**Filed: 8/1/2016 Deemed Complete: 8/15/2016**

**60th Day Deadline: 10/13/2016**

**Decision Deadline: 12/12/2016**

**Site:** 1968 Peachtree Road NW, Atlanta, GA 30309 (Fulton County)

**Contact:** Sheryl Klink, CFO 404-605-5571

**Estimated Cost:** \$603,000,000

**2016-045 Candler Hospital**

Acquisition of a da Vinci Xi Surgical System

**Filed: 8/5/2016 Deemed Complete: 8/19/2016**

**60th Day Deadline: 10/17/2016**

**Decision Deadline: 12/16/2016**

**Site:** 5353 Reynolds Street, Savannah, GA 31405 (Chatham County)

**Contact:** Brad Trower, VP of Business Development 912-819-6557

**Estimated Cost:** \$2,277,845

**2016-046 Saint Joseph's Hospital**

Acquisition of a da Vinci Xi Surgical System

**Filed: 8/5/2016 Deemed Complete: 8/18/2016**

**60th Day Deadline: 10/16/2016**

**Decision Deadline: 12/15/2016**

**Site:** 11705 Mercy Boulevard, Savannah, GA 31419 (Chatham County)

**Contact:** Brad Trower, VP, Business Development 912-819-6557

**Estimated Cost:** \$2,277,845

**2016-048 Northside Hospital - Atlanta**

Acquisition of a da Vinci Xi Robotic Surgical System

**Filed: 8/29/2016 Deemed Complete: 9/12/2016**

**60th Day Deadline: 11/10/2016**

**Decision Deadline: 1/9/2017**

**Site:** 1000 Johnson Ferry Road, Atlanta, GA 30342 (Fulton County)

**Contact:** Brian J. Toporek, Sr. Planner 404-851-6821

**Estimated Cost:** \$2,435,000

**2016-049 Emanuel Medical Center**

8-Bed Conversion to Existing Psych/Sub Abuse Adult Inpatient Program SSDR 9- [Batching](#)

**Filed: 8/29/2016 Deemed Complete: 8/29/2016**

**60th Day Deadline: 10/27/2016**

**Decision Deadline: 12/26/2016**

**Site:** 117 Kite Road, Swainsboro, GA 30401 (Emanuel County)

**Contact:** Damien Scott, COO 478-289-1306

**Estimated Cost:** \$878,200

**2016-050 Southern Regional Medical Center****OPPOSITION FILED**

Establish a 16-Bed Geriatric Psychiatric & Substance Abuse Adult Inpatient Program SSDR 3- [Batching](#)

**Filed: 8/29/2016 Deemed Complete: 8/29/2016**

**60th Day Deadline: 10/27/2016**

**Decision Deadline: 12/26/2016**

**Site:** 11 Upper Riverdale Road SW, Riverdale, GA 30274 (Clayton County)

**Contact:** Charlotte W. Dupre, CEO 770-909-2594

**Estimated Cost:** \$3,491,790

**2016-051 Appling Healthcare System**

10-Bed Expansion of Existing Psych/Sub Abuse Adult Inpatient Program SSDR 9-[Batching](#)

**Filed: 8/29/2016 Deemed Complete: 8/29/2016**

**60th Day Deadline: 10/27/2016**

**Decision Deadline: 12/26/2016**

**Site:** 163 East Tollison Street, Baxley, GA 31515 (Appling County)

**Contact:** Raymond Leadbetter, Jr. CEO 912-367-9841

**Estimated Cost:** \$2,998,400

**2016-052 Evans Memorial Hospital**

Establish 10-Bed Adult Geriatric Inpatient Acute Psychiatric Unit SSDR 9-[Batching](#)

**Filed: 8/29/2016 Deemed Complete: 8/29/2016**

**60th Day Deadline: 10/27/2016**

**Decision Deadline: 12/26/2016**

**Site:** 200 North River Street, Claxton, GA 30417 (Evans County)

**Contact:** Nikki Nesmith, CEO 912-739-2611

**Estimated Cost:** \$170,300

**2016-053 Emory Johns Creek Hospital**

Development of a Radiology Observational Care and Clinical Decision Unit

**Filed: 9/12/2016 Deemed Complete: 9/23/2016**

**60th Day Deadline: 11/21/2016**

**Decision Deadline: 1/20/2017**

**Site:** 6325 Hospital Parkway, Johns Creek, GA 30097 (Fulton County)

**Contact:** Laurie Hansen, Assoc. Administrator 678-474-7012

**Estimated Cost:** \$11,900,000

**2016-054 Northeast Georgia Medical Center**

Development of an 18-Bed Intermediate Care Medical/Surgical Unit

**Filed:** 9/14/2016 **Deemed Complete:** 9/28/2016

**60th Day Deadline:** 11/26/2016

**Decision Deadline:** 1/25/2017

**Site:** 743 Spring Street, Gainesville, GA 30501 (Hall County)

**Contact:** Linda Berger, Dir. of Planning 678-897-6630

**Estimated Cost:** \$5,991,281

**2016-055 Piedmont Newnan Hospital**

Renovation of Current Space to Add an Interventional Radiology Room and Cath Lab

**Filed:** 9/19/2016 **Deemed Complete:** 9/30/2016

**60th Day Deadline:** 11/28/2016

**Decision Deadline:** 1/27/2017

**Site:** 745 Poplar Road, Newnan, GA 30265 (Coweta County)

**Contact:** John Miles, CFO 770-400-1000

**Estimated Cost:** \$4,925,000

**2016-056 Columbus Diagnostic Imaging Center North**

Relocation of Existing Outpatient Imaging Center and Replacement of MRI Unit

**Filed:** 9/19/2016 **Deemed Incomplete:** 10/3/2016 **Deemed Complete:** 11/14/2016

**60th Day Deadline:** 1/12/2017

**Decision Deadline:** 3/13/2017

**Site:** 7500 Veterans Parkway, Columbus, GA 31909 (Muscogee County)

**Contact:** Joseph A. Paul, President 561-744-9122

**Estimated Cost:** \$1,219,076

**2016-057 Augusta University Medical Center**

Relocation and Renovation of Clinical Pathology Program

**Filed:** 9/21/2016 **Deemed Incomplete:** 10/5/2016 **Deemed Complete:** 11/22/2016

**60th Day Deadline:** 1/20/2017

**Decision Deadline:** 3/21/2017

**Site:** 1120 15th Street, Augusta, GA 30912 (Richmond County)

**Contact:** Tom Dunaway, Dir. of Construction 706-721-6951

**Estimated Cost:** \$7,230,250

**2016-058 John D. Archbold Memorial Hospital**

Replacement/Upgrade of Existing da Vinci Surgical System

**Filed:** 9/26/2016 **Deemed Incomplete:** 10/7/2016 **Deemed Complete:** 10/31/2016

**60th Day Deadline:** 12/29/2016

**Decision Deadline:** 2/27/2017

**Site:** 915 Gordon Avenue, Thomasville, GA 31792 (Thomas County)

**Contact:** Josh Moore, VP of Operations 229-228-8263

**Estimated Cost:** \$1,733,860

**2016-059 American Health Imaging of Sandy Springs**

Acquisition of Second MRI Unit

**Filed:** 10/7/2016 **Deemed Complete:** 10/21/2016

**60th Day Deadline:** 12/19/2016

**Decision Deadline:** 2/17/2017

**Site:** 6095 Barfield Road, Suite 100, Atlanta, GA 30328 (Fulton County)

**Contact:** Scott W. Arant, President & CEO 404-296-5887

**Estimated Cost:** \$2,013,598

**2016-060 Midtown Medical Center**

Renovation and Expansion of Space for Existing Cancer Center

**Filed:** 11/14/2016 **Deemed Complete:** 11/28/2016

**60th Day Deadline:** 1/26/2017

**Decision Deadline:** 3/27/2017

**Site:** 710 Center Street, Columbus, GA 31901 (Muscookee County)  
**Contact:** Bill Tustin, VP of Oncology Svcs. 706-320-8716  
**Estimated Cost:** \$24,838,810

**2016066 Piedmont Athens Regional Medical Center**  
3-Bed Expansion of Neonatal Intermediate Nurse Program SDR 5 - [Batching](#)  
**Filed:** 11/28/2016 **Deemed Complete:** 11/28/2016  
**60th Day Deadline:** 1/26/2017  
**Decision Deadline:** 3/27/2017  
**Site:** 1199 Prince Avenue, Athens, GA 30606 (Clarke County)  
**Contact:** Davis Dunbar, Consultant 404-788-3638  
**Estimated Cost:** \$150,000

## Recently Approved Applications

**2016-039 Tanner Medical Center - Carrollton**  
Acquisition of Second da Vinci Xi Surgical System  
**Filed:** 7/6/2016 **Deemed Complete:** 7/20/2016  
**60th Day Deadline:** 9/17/2016  
**Decision Deadline:** 11/16/2016  
**APPROVED:** 11/16/2016  
**Site:** 705 Dixie Street, Carrollton, GA 30117 (Carroll County)  
**Contact:** Deborah Matthews, Chief Nursing Officer 770-812-9716  
**Estimated Cost:** \$2,696,000

## Recently Denied Applications

none

## Appealed Determinations

**DET2015205 Piedmont Mountainside Hospital, Inc.** Request for Letter of Determination regarding Freestanding Emergency Department. Determination of "non-reviewable as proposed" issued on 05/24/16. City of Ellijay, City of East Ellijay, Greater Gilmer Joint Development Authority, Gilmer County Charter School District, and Gilmer County Board of Commissioners filed requests for Administrative Appeal on 06/22/2016. WellStar Health System, Inc., Kennestone Hospital, Inc. d/b/a WellStar Kennestone Hospital and WellStar Windy Hill Hospital, Douglas Hospital, Inc. d/b/a WellStar Douglas Hospital, Paulding Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a WellStar Paulding Hospital, and Cobb Hospital, Inc. d/b/a WellStar Cobb Hospital filed a request for Administrative Appeal on 06/23/16. Hearing Officer is William C. Joy, Esq. WellStar withdrew appeal on 10/5/2016. Hearing Officer dismissed appeal, 11/8/2016.

**DET2016-142 Hutcheson Medical Center, Inc.** Request for Letter of Determination regarding reclassification of facility denied on 09/28/16. Requestors filed request for Administrative Appeal on 10/13/16. Hearing Officer is Melvin M. Goldstein, Esq. Hearing date TBD

## Appealed LNRs

**LNR-EQT2013025 Medical Center of Central Georgia – Monroe**  
Requested Letter of Non-Reviewability ("LNR") with regard to the acquisition of certain diagnostic equipment, 8/1/2013. The Department issued LNR, 12/11/2013. Hospital Authority of Monroe County Hospital ("MCH") filed a request for Administrative Appeal Hearing, 1/10/2014. Hearing Officer: Melvin M. Goldstein, Esq. Administrative Hearing Date: 11/3/2014 to 11/5/2014, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor. MCCG granted Summary Adjudication and MCH's Motion to Compel discovery need not be determined in the matter, 11/5/2014. Hospital Authority of Monroe County requested Commissioner Review, 12/5/2014. Commissioner affirms 11/5/2014 Hearing Officer Decision, 12/30/2014. Hospital Authority of Monroe County filed Petition for Judicial Review with the Clerk of the Superior Court of Monroe County, 1/28/2015. Superior Court reversed the Department's grant of a letter of non-reviewability to MCCG, 08/11/2015. Application for discretionary appeal, 9/10/2015. Court of Appeals granted Discretionary Review, 10/8/2015.

## Appealed CON Projects

### 2013-031 WellStar Kennestone Hospital (Cobb)

Establish New Freestanding ASC - Batching

**Agency Decision:** Approved, 9/24/2013

**Appealed By:** Marietta Outpatient Surgery, LTD d/b/a Marietta Surgical Center (MSC), 10/16/2013; Cartersville Medical Center (CMC), 10/16/2013; Northside Hospital, Inc., d/b/a Northside Hospital - Atlanta, Northside Hospital - Cherokee and Northside Alpharetta Surgery Center, (collectively, "Northside"), 10/18/2013. WellStar Kennestone, Inc., d/b/a WellStar Kennestone Hospital files request to intervene, 10/21/2013. Northside withdraws appeal request, 11/4/2013.

**Hearing Officer:** William C. Joy, Esq.

**Hearing Date:** 3/4/2014 @ 10:00AM through 3/7/2014 and 4/3/2014

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer reverses DCH decision, 7/17/2014. The Department and WellStar Kennestone filed requests for Commissioner Review, 8/18/2014.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Hearing Officer is reversed and the original decision of the Department to award a CON to Kennestone becomes the final agency decision, 9/15/2014.

Marietta Outpatient Surgery, LTD d/b/a Marietta Surgical Center (MSC), and Cartersville Medical Center (CMC) filed petition for judicial review, 10/15/2014.

**Superior Court Decision:** Superior Court reversed and remanded to the Department with instruction to deny Kennestone's CON application, 5/18/2015.

**Court of Appeals:** WellStar Kennestone and the Department each filed an Application for Discretionary Appeal, 06/17/2015. Court of Appeals granted discretionary appeal, 7/8/2015.

### 2014-028 HealthSouth Rehabilitation Hospital of Forsyth County, LLC. (Forsyth)

Establish a New 50-Bed Comprehensive Inpatient Physical Rehabilitation Hospital - Batching

**Agency Decision:** Denied, 9/26/2014

**Appealed By:** Applicant, 10/22/2014. WellStar Kennestone submitted request to intervene, 10/24/2014; WellStar Cobb Hospital submitted request to intervene, 10/24/2014; Northeast Georgia Medical Center submitted request to intervene, 10/24/2014; Gwinnett Medical Center- Duluth, submitted request to intervene, 10/24/2014; North Fulton Hospital submitted request to intervene, 10/24/2014. WellStar Cobb Hospital withdraws request to intervene, 2/12/2015. WellStar Kennestone Hospital withdraws request to intervene, 2/12/2015.

**Hearing Officer:** William C. Joy, Esq.

**Hearing Date:** 3/18/2015 – 3/26/2015

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer affirmed DCH decision, 7/14/2015. HealthSouth filed request for Commissioner Review, 8/13/2015.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Affirmed Hearing Officer's decision, 9/11/2015. HealthSouth Rehabilitation Hospital of Forsyth County, LLC, filed Petition for Judicial Review, 10/12/2015.

**Superior Court Decision:** Superior Court Remands decision to Department for clarification, 4/29/2016. Clarification filed on 6/29/2016.

### 2014-019 University Hospital (Columbia)

### 2014-029 GRHealth Columbia County (Columbia)

### 2014-030 Doctors Hospital of Augusta (Columbia)

2014-019 Establish a New 100-Bed Short-Stay Acute Care Hospital

2014-029 Establish New 100-Bed Community Teaching Hospital

2014-030 Construction of New Short-Stay General Acute Care Hospital

**Agency Decision:** 2014-019 Denied, 11/26/14; 2014-029 Approved, 11/26/14; 2014-030 Denied, 11/26/14

**Appealed:** University McDuffie appeals 2014-029 approval, 12/22/2014; University Augusta appeals its own denial and appeals 2014-029 approval, 12/22/14. Doctors Hospital appeals approval of 2014-029, 12/23/2014.

**Hearing Officer:** Ellwood F. Oakley, III, Esq.

**Hearing Date:** 6/18/2015 – 6/30/2015, 9AM

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer affirmed DCH decision, 9/24/2015. Doctors Hospital requests Commissioner's review, 10/23/2015.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Affirmed Hearing Officer's decision, 11/23/15. Doctors Hospital of Augusta filed



Petition for Judicial Review, 12/23/2015.

**Superior Court Decision:** Superior Court granted Department's Motion to Dismiss Petition for Judicial Review, 4/13/2016.

**Court of Appeals:** Application for Discretionary Review granted on 6/8/2016.

**2015-017 ASMC, LLC d/b/a Atlanta Sports Medicine Center (Fulton)**

Development of Single-Specialty Orthopedic ASC - Batching

**Agency Decision:** Approved, 9/25/2015

**Appealed By:** Northside Hospital, Inc., d/b/a Northside Hospital - Atlanta, Northside Hospital-Cherokee, Northside Hospital-Forsyth, and Northside/Alpharetta Surgery Center (collectively "Northside"), 10/14/2015. North Fulton Medical Center, 10/23/2015; Marietta Surgical Center ("MSC") and Atlanta Outpatient Surgery Center ("AOSC"), 10/23/2015. The Emory Clinic, Inc. d/b/a Emory Orthopedic and Spine Physiatry Outpatient Surgery Center ("Emory"), 10/26/2015.

The Emory Clinic, Inc. d/b/a Emory Orthopedic and Spine Physiatry Outpatient Surgery Center ("Emory") withdraws appeal request, 1/26/2016.

**Hearing Officer:** Ellwood Oakley, III, Esq.

**Hearing Date:** 3/22/2016 – 3/24/2016 and 3/28/2016 – 3/31/2016

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer reverses Department decision to issue CON to ASMC, 6/24/2016. ASMC, LLC, d/b/a Atlanta Sports Medicine Center ("ASMC") requests Commissioner's Review, 7/14/2016.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Hearing Officer Decision is reversed and award of CON to ASMC is reinstated, 8/22/2016. Northside and WellStar North Fulton filed for Judicial Review, 9/20/2016.

**2015-022 Regency Hospital of South Atlanta (Fulton)**

Relocation of Regency Hospital of South Atlanta

**Agency Decision:** Denied, 1/15/2016

**Appealed By:** Co-Applicants, Regency Hospital Company of South Atlanta, LLC ("Regency") and Saint Joseph's Hospital of Atlanta, Inc., ("ESJH"), 2/8/2016. Request to intervene filed by Kennestone Hospital, Inc d/b/a WellStar Windy Hill Hospital, 2/11/2016. Regency Hospital Co. of South Atlanta, LLC and Saint Joseph's Hospital of Atlanta, Inc., withdrew their appeal, 11/22/2016.

**2015-032 Piedmont Hospital, Inc. (Cobb)**

Develop a New Non-Special Purpose MRT Service - Batching

**Agency Decision:** Denied, 12/23/2015

**Appealed By:** Piedmont Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Piedmont Atlanta Hospital, 1/21/2016

**Hearing Officer:** Melvin M. Goldstein, Esq.

**Hearing Date:** 6/13/2016 – 6/20/2016

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer reversed Department decision to deny CON to Piedmont, 10/10/2016.

**2015-052 Mesun Health Services (Gwinnett)**

Establish 100-Bed Skilled Nursing Facility for Asian Community - Batching

**Agency Decision:** Denied, 3/25/2016

**Appealed By:** Mesun Health Services, Inc., 4/21/2016

**Hearing Officer:** Melvin M. Goldstein, Esq.

**Hearing Date:** 11/1/2016 – 11/3/2016; Continued to 1/9/2017.

**2016-009 Vest Newnan, LLC d/b/a Newnan Behavioral Hospital (Coweta)**

Develop 75-Bed Freestanding Psych/Sub Abuse Adult Inpatient Hospital SDR 4-Batching

**Agency Decision:** approved, 6/24/2016.

**Appealed By:** Tanner Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Tanner Medical Center – Villa Rica ("Tanner"), 7/22/2016. RiverWoods Behavioral Health, LLC ("RiverWoods"), 7/22/2016.

**Hearing Officer:** Ellwood F. Oakley, III, Esq.

**Hearing Date:** 2/13/2017

RiverWoods Behavioral Health, LLC ("RiverWoods") withdraws its request for an initial administrative hearing, 9/16/2016.

**2016-011 Tanner Medical Center / Villa Rica (Carroll)**

32-Bed Expansion of Existing Psych/Sub Abuse Adult Inpatient Program SSDR 4-Batching

**Agency Decision:** Approved, 6/24/2016

**Appealed By:** Vest Newnan, LLC ("Vest Newnan"), 7/21/2016. Tanner Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Tanner Medical Center - Villa Rica ("Tanner") submits request to intervene, 7/22/2016

**Hearing Officer:** Ellwood F. Oakley, III, Esq.

**Hearing Date:** 2/15/2017

**2016-017 Saint Francis Hospital (Muscogee)**

Establish New Special Purpose MRT Service Cyberknife Special Purpose MRT Region 3-Batching

**Agency Decision:** Approved, 6/24/2016

**Appealed By:** The Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Midtown Medical Center ("MMC"), 7/22/2016.

Request to intervene filed by St. Francis Health, LLC. d/b/a St. Francis Hospital ("St. Francis"), 7/22/2016.

**Hearing Officer:** Melvin M. Goldstein, Esq.

**Hearing Date:** 1/17/2017

## **Requests for LNR for Diagnostic or Therapeutic Equipment**

**LNR-EQT2016033 MedCross Imaging, LLC**

Purchase of a Fixed MRI Unit

**Request received:** 7/22/2016

**Contact Person:** Pankesh Kadam, CEO 404-405-8711

**Determination:** Withdr/Appl Prior to Dec

**Opposition:** Northside Hospital, Inc.- 8/22/2016

**Date of Withdrawal:** 11/1/2016

**LNR-EQT2016034 MedCross Imaging, LLC**

Purchase of a Fixed CT Scanner

**Request received:** 7/22/2016

**Contact Person:** Pankesh Kadam, CEO 404-405-8711

**Determination:** Withdr/Appl Prior to Dec

**Opposition:** Northside Hospital, Inc.- 8/22/2016

**Date of Withdrawal:** 11/1/2016

**LNR-EQT2016036 MedCross Imaging, LLC**

Purchase of Mobile MRI Unit

**Request received:** 8/3/2016

**Contact Person:** Pankesh Kadam, CEO 404-405-8711

**Determination:** Withdr/Appl Prior to Dec

**Opposition:** Northside Hospital, Inc.- 8/22/2016

**Date of Withdrawal:** 11/1/2016

**LNR-EQT2016037 Elite Radiology of Georgia, LLC**

Operational Lease of a Fixed MRI Unit

**Request received:** 8/3/2016

**Contact Person:** Kevin Johnson, CEO 954-292-9493

**Determination:** Approved

**Determination Date:** 11/14/2016

**Opposition:** American Health Imaging, Inc.- 8/30/2016; Northside Hospital, Inc.- 8/31/2016;

DeKalb Medical Center, Inc.- 8/31/2016

**LNR-EQT2016038 Elite Radiology of Georgia, LLC**

Operational Lease of a Fixed MRI Unit

**Request received:** 8/3/2016

**Contact Person:** Kevin Johnson, CEO 954-292-9493

**Determination:** Approved

**Determination Date:** 11/14/2016

**Opposition:** Northside Hospital, Inc.- 8/31/2016

**LNR-EQT2016040 Metro Imaging Cumming, LLC**

Purchase of a Fixed CT Scanner and MRI Unit

**Request received:** 8/17/2016

**Contact Person:** Jerry O. Smith, MD, Member 706-207-1949

**Determination:** Approved

**Determination Date:** 11/14/2016

**Opposition:** American Health Imaging, Inc.- 8/30/2016; Northside Hospital, Inc.- 9/12/2016

**LNR-EQT2016043 South Atlanta Neurology and Spine Clinic, P.C.**

Purchase of a Fixed MRI Unit

**Request received:** 9/19/2016

**Contact Person:** Brice B. Choi, M.D., President 770-507-7359

**Determination:** Pending

**LNR-EQT2016044 Fayette Community Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Piedmont Fayette Hospital**

Purchase of a Fixed HDR Brachytherapy Afterloader Unit

**Request received:** 9/19/2016

**Contact Person:** Nathan Nipper, VP, COO 770-804-1013

**Determination:** Approved **Determination Date:** 11/3/2016

**LNR-EQT2016045 Hillcrest Clinic, LLC**

Operational Lease of a Fixed MRI Unit and CT Scanner

**Request received:** 9/23/2016

**Contact Person:** Alan Sanders, M.D. 706-897-2037

**Determination:** Approved **Determination Date:** 11/2/2016

**LNR-EQT2016046 Emory University d/b/a Emory University Hospital**

Purchase of a Fixed MRI Unit

**Request received:** 10/3/2016

**Contact Person:** Bryce Gartland, M.D., CEO 404-686-8500

**Determination:** Approved **Determination Date:** 11/17/2016

**LNR-EQT2016047 Emory University d/b/a Emory University Hospital**

Purchase of a Fixed CT Scanner

**Request received:** 10/21/2016

**Contact Person:** Jen Schuck, Assoc. Administrator 404-728-6266

**Determination:** Approved **Determination Date:** 11/29/2016

**LNR-EQT2016048 Specialty Clinics of Georgia - Orthopaedics, P.C.**

Purchase of a Fixed MRI Unit

**Request received:** 10/25/2016

**Contact Person:** Kimberly Greaves, Legal Counsel 404-664-6693

**Determination:** Pending

**LNR-EQT2016049 Peachtree Orthopaedic Clinic, P.A.**

Purchase of a Fixed MRI Unit

**Request received:** 10/27/2016

**Contact Person:** J. Michael Butler, CEO 404-350-4710

**Determination:** Pending

**LNR-EQT2016050 Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital, Inc.**

Purchase of a Fixed CT Scanner

**Request received:** 11/3/2016

**Contact Person:** Lori Jenkins, Dir. of Strategic Planning 229-312-1432

**Determination:** Pending

**LNR-EQT2016051 Onsite Radiologist, LLC**

Purchase of a Fixed MRI Unit and CT Scanner

**Request received:** 11/16/2016

**Contact Person:** Munira Charania, M.D. 312-929-8662

**Determination:** Pending

**LNR-EQT2016052 WellStar Atlanta Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a WellStar Atlanta Medical**

Purchase of a Fixed CT Scanner

**Request received:** 11/18/2016

**Contact Person:** April Austin, Strategic Planning Mgr. 470-644-0057

**Determination:** Pending

## Requests for LNR for Establishment of Physician-Owned Ambulatory Surgery Facilities

### **LNR-ASC2016021 Pain Care, LLC**

Establishment of a Physician-Owned, Single Specialty ASC  
**Site:** 6300 Hospital Parkway, Suite 425, Johns Creek, GA 30097  
**Number of OR's:** 1      **Specialty:** Pain Management  
**Project costs as submitted:** \$557,186.00  
**Request received:** 10/4/2016  
**Contact Person:** Lindsey Mathes, MSN, COO 770-771-6580  
**Determination:** Pending

### **LNR-ASC2016022 Colon and Digestive Health Specialists, LLC**

Establishment of a Physician-Owned, Single Specialty ASC  
**Site:** 1805 Honey Creek Commons, Conyers, GA 30013  
**Number of OR's:** 1      **Specialty:** Gastroenterology  
**Project costs as submitted:** \$920,703.00  
**Request received:** 10/11/2016  
**Contact Person:** Karim K. Shakoor, M.D., Owner 770-922-7000  
**Determination:** Pending

### **LNR-ASC2016023 Georgia Dermatologic Surgery Centers, LLC**

Reissue of Previous LNR to Establish a Physician-Owned ASC  
**Site:** 5555 Peachtree-Dunwoody Rd., Ste. 220, Atlanta, GA 30342  
**Number of OR's:** 2      **Specialty:** Dermatology  
**Project costs as submitted:** \$5,000.00  
**Request received:** 11/8/2016  
**Contact Person:** Joseph Ross, Attorney 912-651-8941  
**Determination:** Pending

### **LNR-ASC2016024 Pain Consultants of Atlanta Interventional Spine at Fayetteville, LLC**

Establishment of a Physician-Owned, Single Specialty ASC  
**Site:** 1233 Highway 54 West, Ste. 200, Fayetteville, GA 30214  
**Number of OR's:** 1      **Specialty:** Pain Management  
**Project costs as submitted:** \$1,657,991.00  
**Request received:** 11/9/2016  
**Contact Person:** Mary Jayne Huddleston, Administrator 404-351-7654  
**Determination:** Pending

## Requests for Miscellaneous Letters of Determination

### **DET2016140 MedCross Imaging, LLC f/k/a MedCross Imaging, P.C.**

Addition of Three Locations for Existing Mobile MRI Services  
**Request received:** 7/22/2016  
**Contact Person:** Pankesh Kadam, CEO 404-405-8711  
**Determination:** Withdr/Appl Prior to Dec  
**Opposition:** Northside Hospital, Inc.- 8/22/2016  
**Date of Withdrawal:** 11/1/2016

### **DET2016150 Saint Joseph's Hospital, Inc.**

Addition of One Hospital-Based Cardiac Catheterization Lab  
**Request received:** 8/23/2016  
**Contact Person:** Brad Trower, VP of Business Dev. 912-819-6557  
**Determination:** Pending

### **DET2016155 Coliseum Northside Hospital, LLC d/b/a Coliseum Northside Hospital**

Replacement of Special Procedures Laboratory Equipment  
**Request received:** 8/31/2016  
**Contact Person:** Heath King, CFO 478-765-7000  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2016158 Rockdale Hospital, LLC d/b/a Rockdale Medical Center**

Replacement of CON-Approved CT Scanner

**Request received:** 9/9/2016

**Contact Person:** Clifford Wilson, Asst. Admin. 770-918-3909

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 11/10/2016

**DET2016161 The Center for Digestive and Liver Health, LLC**

ASC Exemption

**Request received:** 9/20/2016

**Contact Person:** Lynn Marini, CEO 912-790-2696

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 11/2/2016

**DET2016163 Hamilton Medical Center, Inc.**

Consolidation of Indigent/Charity Care Commitment

**Request received:** 9/22/2016

**Contact Person:** Joseph L. McGuire, VP, CFO 706-272-6115

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 11/7/2016

**DET2016164 Hospital Authority of Colquitt County d/b/a Colquitt Regional Medical Center**

Addition of a 9-Station Infusion Center

**Request received:** 9/22/2016

**Contact Person:** Greg Johnson, COO, VP of Ops. 229-890-3547

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 11/3/2016

**DET2016166 Hamilton Medical Center, Inc.**

Construction of Medical Office Building

**Request received:** 9/29/2016

**Contact Person:** Danny Wright, VP 706-272-6656

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 11/3/2016

**DET2016167 EHCA Johns Creek, LLC d/b/a Emory Johns Creek Hospital**

Addition of a Second Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory

**Request received:** 10/3/2016

**Contact Person:** Laurie Hansen, Assoc. Admin. 678-474-7012

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 11/9/2016

**DET2016168 Emory University d/b/a Emory University Hospital Midtown**

Replacement of MRI Unit

**Request received:** 10/3/2016

**Contact Person:** Toni Wimby, Assoc. Administrator 404-686-2809

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 11/9/2016

**DET2016169 Emory University d/b/a Emory University Hospital**

Replacement and Relocation of MRI Unit

**Request received:** 10/3/2016

**Contact Person:** Bryce Gartland, M.D., CEO 404-686-8500

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 11/17/2016

**DET2016170 Grady Memorial Hospital Corporation d/b/a Grady Health System**

Expansion of Emergency Department - Hughes Spalding

**Request received:** 10/4/2016

**Contact Person:** David Tatum, Chief Public Policy Officer 404-785-7556

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 11/9/2016

**DET2016171 Diagnostic Systems of Georgia, LLC d/b/a Coosa Diagnostic Center**

Replacement of MRI Unit

**Request received:** 10/13/2016

**Contact Person:** Richard L. Gray, President 706-433-0631

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 11/21/2016

**DET2016172 Park Place Manor ALF, LLC**

Conversion of Existing Hotel into a 100-Bed Assisted Living Facility

**Request received:** 10/17/2016

**Contact Person:** Farhad Amarsi, Managing Partner 404-259-5130  
**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 11/22/2016

**DET2016173 Phoebe Sumter Medical Center, Inc.**

Development of Medical Office Building

**Request received:** 10/19/2016

**Contact Person:** Lori Jenkins, Dir. of Strategy & Planning 229-312-1432

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2016174 Camellia Place of Woodstock, LLC**

Increase in Bed Capacity

**Request received:** 10/20/2016

**Contact Person:** Lauren Clifton, Managing Member 770-296-1513

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 11/23/2016

**DET2016175 HealthSouth Walton Rehabilitation Hospital, LLC**

Increase in Bed Capacity

**Request received:** 10/20/2016

**Contact Person:** Walter Smith, Dir. of State Reg. Affairs 205-970-7926

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2016176 Emory University d/b/a Emory University Hospital**

Renovation of Main Food Service Facility

**Request received:** 10/21/2016

**Contact Person:** Catherine Maloney, Assoc. Administrator 404-712-5529

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 11/23/2016

**DET2016177 Emory University d/b/a Emory University Hospital**

Relocation of Cardiac Cath Lab, Renovation of Cardiac Observation Area

**Request received:** 10/21/2016

**Contact Person:** Catherine Maloney, Assoc. Administrator 404-712-5529

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2016178 Hughston Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Medical Center**

Replacement of CON-Approved MRI Unit

**Request received:** 10/21/2016

**Contact Person:** Ryan Chandler, Pres. of Hospital Ops. 706-494-2100

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2016179 The Aspire of Marietta, LLC**

Establishment of Assisted Living Community

**Request received:** 10/25/2016

**Contact Person:** David Hink, Managing Partner 770-598-2616

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2016180 Vantage Oncology Cancer Center at Blairsville**

Replacement of CON-Approved Linear Accelerator

**Request received:** 10/26/2016

**Contact Person:** Marilee Duffield, Regional VP of Ops. 770-995-1401

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2016181 RCOG Cancer Centers, LLC d/b/a Radiotherapy Clinics of Georgia - Decatur**

Replacement of CON-Approved Linear Accelerator

**Request received:** 10/26/2016

**Contact Person:** Marilee Duffield, Regional VP of Ops. 770-995-1401

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2016182 Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Inc.**

Replacement of CON-Approved Catheterization Lab Equipment

**Request received:** 10/26/2016

**Contact Person:** Linda Berger, Dir. of Planning 770-219-6631

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2016183 Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Inc.**  
Acquisition of Five 3D Digital Mammography Units  
**Request received:** 10/26/2016  
**Contact Person:** Linda Berger, Dir. of Planning 770-219-6631  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2016184 Rockmart Health, LLC**  
Renovation of Existing Facility / Capital Expenditures Below Threshold  
**Request received:** 10/31/2016  
**Contact Person:** Chip Davis, Manager 478-988-1294  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2016185 The Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Midtown Medical Center**  
Replacement of CON-Approved MRI Unit  
**Request received:** 10/31/2016  
**Contact Person:** Ryan Chandler, Pres. of Hospital Ops. 706-571-1203  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2016186 Kennestone Hospital, Inc. d/b/a WellStar Kennestone Hospital**  
Replacement of CON-Approved MRI Unit  
**Request received:** 11/4/2016  
**Contact Person:** April Austin, Strategic Planning Mgr. 470-644-0057  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2016187 Cobb Hospital, Inc. d/b/a WellStar Cobb Hospital**  
Replacement and Remediation of Exterior Façade and Roof  
**Request received:** 11/4/2016  
**Contact Person:** April Austin, Strategic Planning Mgr. 470-644-0057  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2016188 Tift County Hospital Authority d/b/a Tift Regional Medical Center**  
Expansion of Surgery Department  
**Request received:** 11/7/2016  
**Contact Person:** Christopher K. Dorman, Sr. VP, COO 229-353-6121  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2016189 Floyd Healthcare Management, Inc. d/b/a Floyd Medical Center**  
Renovation and Expansion of EMS Breakroom  
**Request received:** 11/8/2016  
**Contact Person:** Beth Edwards, Dir. of Planning 706-509-3257  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2016190 Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Inc.**  
Addition of Computer Information Systems  
**Request received:** 11/9/2016  
**Contact Person:** Linda Berger, Dir. of Planning 770-219-6631  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2016191 Peachtree Spine and Pain Physicians ASC, LLC d/b/a Optimum Surgery Center**  
Facility Reclassification  
**Request received:** 11/9/2016  
**Contact Person:** Jeffrey Grossman, M.D., President 404-843-3323  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2016192 WellStar Spalding Regional Hospital, Inc. d/b/a WellStar Spalding Regional**  
Consolidation of Indigent and Charity Care Commitment  
**Request received:** 11/10/2016  
**Contact Person:** April Austin, Strategic Planning Mgr. 470-644-0057  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2016193 Physicians MRI, Inc. d/b/a Open MRI of Macon**  
Replacement of Existing MRI Unit  
**Request received:** 11/14/2016

**Contact Person:** Peter Holliday, M.D., Dir. and Pres. 478-474-4019  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2016194 Egleston Children's Hospital at Emory, Inc.**

Increase in Bed Capacity

**Request received:** 11/15/2016

**Contact Person:** David Tatum, Chief Public Policy Officer 404-785-7556

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2016195 Consultative Gastroenterology**

Relinquishment of Current LNR

**Request received:** 11/17/2016

**Contact Person:** Gary Richter, M.D., Medical Dir. 404-881-8800

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2016196 Gwinnett Hospital System, Inc. d/b/a Gwinnett Medical Center - Lawrenceville**

Establishment of a Mental Health Holding Unit

**Request received:** 11/22/2016

**Contact Person:** Michael Boblitz, VP of Bus. Development 678-312-4329

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2016197 Coliseum Northside Hospital, LLC d/b/a Coliseum Northside Hospital**

Expansion and Renovation of Emergency Department

**Request received:** 11/22/2016

**Contact Person:** Heath King, CFO 478-464-8140

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2016198 AU Medical Center, Inc.**

Consolidation of Indigent/Charity Care Commitment

**Request received:** 11/23/2016

**Contact Person:** Jennifer Smith, Asst. VP 706-721-4552

**Determination:** Pending

## Requests for Extended Implementation/Effective Period

**2014034 CorrectHealth GDC, LLC**

Cost Overrun for GA2011043

Request to extend Completion Date

**Site:** 1700 Bostick Circle, Hardwick (Baldwin)

**Project Approved:** 12/19/2014

**Request Received:** 11/9/2016

**Contact:** Carlo Musso, M.D., President (770-692-4750)

**Approved Cost:** \$7,414,949

**Determination:** Approved, 11/14/2016

**Extended Mandatory Completion Date:** 2/15/2017

**2014044 Doctors Hospital of Augusta, LLC d/b/a Doctors Hospital of Augusta**

Renovate and Expand Surgical Services Department

Request to extend Completion Date

**Site:** 3651 Wheeler Road, Augusta (Richmond)

**Project Approved:** 3/31/2015

**Request Received:** 11/9/2016

**Contact:** Chris Cosby, COO (706-651-6101)

**Approved Cost:** \$8,415,283

**Determination:** Approved, 11/14/2016

**Extended Mandatory Completion Date:** 5/1/2017

**2015024 St. Mary's Health Care System, Inc.**

Renovate Inpatient Operating Rooms & Support Space

Request to extend Completion Date

**Site:** 1230 Baxter Street, Athens (Clarke)

**Project Approved:** 12/7/2015

**Request Received:** 11/16/2016

**Contact:** Ellena A. Evans, CNO (706-389-3947)



**Approved Cost:** \$6,830,000  
**Determination:** Approved, 11/21/2016

**Extended Mandatory Completion Date:** 10/1/2017

**2015028 Veritas Collaborative Georgia, LLC**

Establish New Freestanding 50-Bed Acute Care Psychiatric Hospital

Request to extend Implementation Date

**Site:** 1150 Lake Hearn Drive, Atlanta (Fulton)

**Project Approved:** 12/23/2015

**Request Received:** 11/17/2016

**Contact:** Stacie McEntyre, CEO (919-908-9730)

**Approved Cost:** \$17,088,835

**Determination:** Approved, 11/21/2016

**Extended Mandatory Implementation Date:** 12/22/2017

## Need Projection Analyses

### Current Status of Official Office of Health Planning Need Projection Analyses and Other Data Resources

[Need Projections and Maps for CON Regulated Services](#)

2021 Non Special MRT Need Projection – Posted 6/28/2016 – Updated 8/2/2016

2021 PET Need Projection – Posted 6/28/2016

2021 Amb Surg Need Projection HPA Detail 9/28/2016 – Posted 9/29/2016

2021 Rehab Need Projection – (9/28/2016) Posted 9/29/2016

2021 Neonatal Need Projection – Intermediate (9/28/2016)– Posted 9/29/2016

2021 Neonatal Need Projection – NICU Detail – Posted 9/29/2016

2021 OB Need Projection – Detail (9/28/2016)– Posted 9/29/2016

2019 NH Need Projection – Posted 9/29/2016

2019 Home Health Need Projection - Posted 9/29/2016

Non-Batched Need Projections

2021 Long Term Care Hospital Beds - 11/15/2016

Note: Short Stay Hospital Bed Need Projections are facility-specific and completed by DCH on an ad hoc basis upon request.

## Non-Filed or Incomplete Office of Health Planning Facility Surveys for Most Recent 3 Years

*Survey Completion Status - Survey completion status represents the status of survey filings as of the effective date indicated in each version of the Tracking Report. Surveys filed on the effective date may not be reflected as complete and may be reported as delinquent. Please contact the staff contact indicated in the instruction materials associated with each survey if your facility has filed its survey but continues to be reflected as incomplete.*

Facility Name	County	Survey Year	Survey Due
<b>Annual Hospital Questionnaire and Addenda (Survey Years 2012 thru 2014)</b>			
Bacon County Hospital	Bacon	2012	3/9/2013
Burke Medical Center	Burke	2012	3/9/2013
Calhoun Memorial Hospital	Calhoun	2012	3/9/2013
Candler County Hospital	Candler	2012	3/9/2013

Charlton Memorial Hospital	Charlton	2012	3/9/2013
Charlton Memorial Hospital	Charlton	2014	3/6/2015
Georgia Regional Hospital at Savannah	Chatham	2012	3/9/2013
Georgia Regional Hospital at Savannah	Chatham	2013	3/14/2014
Georgia Regional Hospital-Atlanta	DeKalb	2012	3/9/2013
Landmark Hospital of Savannah	Chatham	2014	3/6/2015
Memorial Hospital of Bainbridge	Decatur	2014	3/6/2015
Northwest Georgia Regional Hospital	Floyd	2012	3/9/2013
Northwest Georgia Regional Hospital	Floyd	2013	3/14/2014
Northwest Georgia Regional Hospital	Floyd	2014	3/6/2015
Southern Crescent Hospital for Specialty Care	Clayton	2012	3/9/2013
Southern Crescent Hospital for Specialty Care	Clayton	2014	3/6/2015
Southwestern State Hospital	Thomas	2012	3/9/2013
Warm Springs Medical Center	Meriwether	2012	3/9/2013
Wildwood Lifestyle Center & Hospital	Dade	2014	3/6/2015

### **Annual Nursing Home Questionnaire (Survey Years 2012 thru 2014)**

Anderson Mill Health and Rehabilitation Center	Cobb	2013	9/20/2013
Anderson Mill Health and Rehabilitation Center	Cobb	2014	9/20/2014
Bell Minor Home, The	Hall	2012	9/20/2012
Bell Minor Home, The	Hall	2013	9/20/2013
Bell Minor Home, The	Hall	2014	9/20/2014
Briarcliff Haven Healthcare And Rehabilitation Center	DeKalb	2013	9/20/2013
Briarcliff Haven Healthcare And Rehabilitation Center	DeKalb	2014	9/20/2014
Brown's Health & Rehabilitation Center	Bulloch	2013	9/20/2013
Brown's Health & Rehabilitation Center	Bulloch	2014	9/20/2014
Bryant Health And Rehabilitation Center Inc	Bleckley	2014	9/20/2014
Carl Vinson Skilled Nursing Home	Laurens	2012	9/20/2012
Carl Vinson Skilled Nursing Home	Laurens	2013	9/20/2013
Carl Vinson Skilled Nursing Home	Laurens	2014	9/20/2014
Chatsworth Health Care Center	Murray	2013	9/20/2013
Chatsworth Health Care Center	Murray	2014	9/20/2014
College Park Health Care Center	Fulton	2012	9/20/2012
Cook Senior Living Center	Cook	2012	9/20/2012
Eastview Nursing Center	Bibb	2012	9/20/2012
Eastview Nursing Center	Bibb	2014	9/20/2014
Etowah Landing	Floyd	2013	9/20/2013
Etowah Landing	Floyd	2014	9/20/2014
Etowah Landing Care And Rehabilitation Center	Floyd	2012	9/20/2012
Ga Regional Atlanta LTC	DeKalb	2014	9/20/2014
Gilmer Nursing Home	Gilmer	2014	9/20/2014
Golden Living Center - Dunwoody	Fulton	2013	9/20/2013
Golden Living Center - Dunwoody	Fulton	2014	9/20/2014
Golden LivingCenter - Glenwood	DeKalb	2013	9/20/2013
Golden LivingCenter - Glenwood	DeKalb	2014	9/20/2014
Goodwill Nursing Home Inc	Bibb	2012	9/20/2012
Goodwill Nursing Home Inc	Bibb	2013	9/20/2013
Goodwill Nursing Home Inc	Bibb	2014	9/20/2014
Grace Healthcare Of Tucker	DeKalb	2012	9/20/2012
Grace Healthcare Of Tucker	DeKalb	2013	9/20/2013
Grace Healthcare Of Tucker	DeKalb	2014	9/20/2014
Hardmont Nursing Home	Elbert	2014	9/20/2014
Hill Haven Nursing Home	Jackson	2013	9/20/2013
Hill Haven Nursing Home	Jackson	2014	9/20/2014
Hutcheson Medical Center	Catoosa	2012	9/20/2012

Hutcheson Medical Center	Catoosa	2013	9/20/2013
Hutcheson Medical Center	Catoosa	2014	9/20/2014
Jeffersonville Health &Rehab	Twiggs	2014	9/20/2014
Kindred Transitional Care and Rehabilitation - Lafayette	Fayette	2013	9/20/2013
Kindred Transitional Care and Rehabilitation - Lafayette	Fayette	2014	9/20/2014
LaGrange Nursing & Rehabilitation Center	Troup	2013	9/20/2013
LaGrange Nursing & Rehabilitation Center	Troup	2014	9/20/2014
Legacy Nursing & Rehabilitation Center	Fulton	2013	9/20/2013
Legacy Nursing & Rehabilitation Center	Fulton	2014	9/20/2014
Manor Care Rehabilitation Center - Decatur	DeKalb	2012	9/20/2012
Manor Care Rehabilitation Center - Decatur	DeKalb	2013	9/20/2013
Manor Care Rehabilitation Center - Decatur	DeKalb	2014	9/20/2014
Manor Care Rehabilitation Center - Marietta	Cobb	2012	9/20/2012
Manor Care Rehabilitation Center - Marietta	Cobb	2013	9/20/2013
Manor Care Rehabilitation Center - Marietta	Cobb	2014	9/20/2014
Molena Health & Rehab, LLC	Pike	2014	9/20/2014
Nancy Hart Nursing Center	Elbert	2013	9/20/2013
Nancy Hart Nursing Center	Elbert	2014	9/20/2014
New London Health Center	Gwinnett	2012	9/20/2012
New London Health Center	Gwinnett	2013	9/20/2013
New London Health Center	Gwinnett	2014	9/20/2014
Northwest Georgia Regional Hospital ICF/MR	Floyd	2012	9/20/2012
Northwest Georgia Regional Hospital ICF/MR	Floyd	2013	9/20/2013
Northwest Georgia Regional Hospital ICF/MR	Floyd	2014	9/20/2014
Palemon Gaskins Memorial Nursing Home	Irwin	2013	9/20/2013
Palemon Gaskins Memorial Nursing Home	Irwin	2014	9/20/2014
Parkview Manor Nursing & Rehabilitation Center	Fulton	2012	9/20/2012
Pecan Manor-Central State	Baldwin	2012	9/20/2012
Pecan Manor-Central State	Baldwin	2013	9/20/2013
Pecan Manor-Central State	Baldwin	2014	9/20/2014
Phoenix Center - Central State	Baldwin	2013	9/20/2013
Phoenix Center - Central State	Baldwin	2014	9/20/2014
Pinehill Nursing Center, Inc	Dooly	2014	9/20/2014
Pinewood Nursing Center	Grady	2014	9/20/2014
River Towne Center	Muscogee	2014	9/20/2014
Rose Haven Nursing Facility	Thomas	2012	9/20/2012
Rose Haven Nursing Facility	Thomas	2013	9/20/2013
Rose Haven Nursing Facility	Thomas	2014	9/20/2014
Salude - The Art of Recovery	Gwinnett	2014	9/20/2014
Savannah Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center	Chatham	2013	9/20/2013
Savannah Rehab & NursingCenter	Chatham	2012	9/20/2012
Savannah Square Health Center	Chatham	2012	9/20/2012
Savannah Square Health Center	Chatham	2013	9/20/2013
Savannah Square Health Center	Chatham	2014	9/20/2014
Scepter Health & Rehab of Snellville, LLC	Gwinnett	2012	9/20/2012
Scepter Health & Rehab of Snellville, LLC	Gwinnett	2013	9/20/2013
Scepter Health & Rehab of Snellville, LLC	Gwinnett	2014	9/20/2014
Shamrock Nursing & Rehabilitation Center	Laurens	2013	9/20/2013
Shamrock Nursing & Rehabilitation Center	Laurens	2014	9/20/2014
Signature Healthcare at Tower Road	Cobb	2014	9/20/2014
Signature Healthcare of Buckhead	Fulton	2013	9/20/2013
Signature Healthcare of Buckhead	Fulton	2014	9/20/2014
Signature Healthcare of Savannah	Chatham	2014	9/20/2014
Southland Healthcare And Rehabilitation Center	Laurens	2013	9/20/2013

Thomson Health And Rehabilitation	McDuffie	2014	9/20/2014
Tower Road Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center	Cobb	2013	9/20/2013
Westminster Commons	Fulton	2012	9/20/2012
Westview Nursing & Rehabilitation Center	Chatham	2014	9/20/2014
Willowwood Nursing Center	Hall	2013	9/20/2013
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### **Cardiac Catheterization Services Survey (Survey Years 2011 thru 2013)**

Coffee Regional Medical Center	Coffee	2011	7/13/2011
Hutcheson Medical Center	Catoosa	2011	7/13/2011

### **Freestanding Ambulatory Surgery Services Survey (Survey Years 2012 thru 2014)**

Advanced Aesthetics Surgicenter	FAYETTE	2012	3/25/2013
ALPHARETTA HEAD AND NECK SURGERY CENTER	FULTON	2013	3/14/2014
Ambulatory Laser & Surgery Ctr	CLAYTON	2012	3/25/2013
Ambulatory Plastic Surgery Center, Inc	MUSCOGEE	2014	3/6/2015
AOS Surgery Center	Richmond	2014	3/6/2015
Associates Physicians Asc	BIBB	2012	3/25/2013
Associates Physicians Asc	BIBB	2013	3/14/2014
Associates Physicians Asc	BIBB	2014	3/6/2015
Associates Surgery Center, Inc	Bibb	2013	3/14/2014
Athens Plastic Surgery Center	CLARKE	2012	3/25/2013
Athens Plastic Surgery Center	CLARKE	2013	3/14/2014
Atlanta Eye International Surgery Center	Fulton	2014	3/6/2015
Atlanta Sports Medicine Surgery Center	FULTON	2014	3/6/2015
Atlanta West Endoscopy Center, Llc	DOUGLAS	2012	3/25/2013
Augusta Ctr For Foot & Ankle	RICHMOND	2012	3/25/2013
Bowman Pain Management, Pc	BIBB	2012	3/25/2013
Carpus Surgery Center	Cobb	2014	3/6/2015
Children's Healthcare of Atlanta Surgery, Meridian Mark	Fulton	2012	3/25/2013
Coastal Empire Plastic Surgery	CHATHAM	2014	3/6/2015
Coosa Procedure Center, Llc	FLOYD	2014	3/6/2015
Dublin Orthopaedics Asc, Inc	LAURENS	2013	3/14/2014
Dublin Orthopaedics Asc, Inc	LAURENS	2014	3/6/2015
E.n.t. Surg Ctr Of Central Ga	HOUSTON	2013	3/14/2014
Endoscopy Ctr Of Coastal Ga	CHATHAM	2014	3/6/2015
ENT Surgical Center	CHATHAM	2014	3/6/2015
Eye Surgery Center Of Albany, Llc	DOUGHERTY	2012	3/25/2013
Eye Surgery Center Of Albany, Llc	DOUGHERTY	2014	3/6/2015
G.I. Endoscopy Center	CLAYTON	2014	3/6/2015
Gainesville Urology Asc, Llc	HALL	2014	3/6/2015
Gastroenterology Endoscopy Ctr, Inc	FULTON	2013	3/14/2014
Gastroenterology Endoscopy Ctr, Inc	FULTON	2014	3/6/2015
Houston Lake Surgery Center	HOUSTON	2012	3/25/2013
Institute For Corrective Surgery of Foot & Ankle, Inc	WARE	2013	3/14/2014
ISPM ASC at Camp Creek	Fulton	2014	3/6/2015
ISPM ASC AT COVINGTON, LLC	NEWTON	2012	3/25/2013
Limestone Surgery Center, LLC	HALL	2014	3/6/2015
Locust Grove Endo Center	HENRY	2014	3/6/2015
Marietta Eye Surgery	COBB	2013	3/14/2014
Neurological Institute Ambulatory Surgery Center, LLC	Chatham	2014	3/6/2015
Northeast Georgia Urological Surgery Center, Llc	HALL	2012	3/25/2013
Northeast Georgia Urological Surgery Center, Llc	HALL	2013	3/14/2014
Northside Foot & Ankle Outpat	GWINNETT	2012	3/25/2013
Northside Surgery Center, Inc.	FULTON	2014	3/6/2015
Northwest ENT Surgery Center	Cherokee	2012	3/25/2013

Pain Care Center of Georgia	Henry	2012	3/25/2013
Peach State Surgical Centers, Inc	HOUSTON	2012	3/25/2013
Peach State Surgical Centers, Inc	HOUSTON	2013	3/14/2014
Peach State Surgical Centers, Inc	HOUSTON	2014	3/6/2015
Perimeter Surgery Center of Atlanta	Fulton	2014	3/6/2015
Rome Endoscopy Ctr Inc, The	FLOYD	2012	3/25/2013
Rome Endoscopy Ctr Inc, The	FLOYD	2013	3/14/2014
Samson Pain Center, Pc	CHEROKEE	2014	3/6/2015
Seaside Surgical, Llc	GLYNN	2014	3/6/2015
Skin Cancer Specialists Surgery Center	Cobb	2014	3/6/2015
Southeast Treatment Center, Llc	CAMDEN	2012	3/25/2013
Southeastern Pain Ambulatory Surgery Center, Llc	FULTON	2014	3/6/2015
Surgery Center of Athens	Clarke	2012	3/25/2013
Urology Associates Surgery Center, Llc	COBB	2013	3/14/2014
Urology Institute Asc, The	THOMAS	2012	3/25/2013
Urology Specialists Surgery Center	Bibb	2013	3/14/2014
Urology Surgery Center of Albany	Dougherty	2014	3/6/2015
Urology Surgery Center Of Savannah, Lp	CHATHAM	2013	3/14/2014
Valdosta Foot & Ankle Surgery	LOWNDES	2012	3/25/2013

### **Home Health Agency Survey (Survey Years 2012 thru 2014)**

Amedisys Home Health of Covington	Newton	2013	3/14/2014
Appalachian Home Health Care	Union	2012	3/15/2013
Appalachian Home Health Care	Union	2013	3/14/2014
HCMC Home Care	Habersham	2012	3/15/2013
Interim Healthcare of Atlanta Inc.	Fulton	2013	3/14/2014
Interim Healthcare of Atlanta Inc.	Fulton	2014	3/6/2015
Medside Home Health Agency	Fulton	2012	3/15/2013
Medside Home Health Agency	Fulton	2013	3/14/2014
Trinity Home Health	Richmond	2012	3/15/2013
Trinity Home Health	Richmond	2013	3/14/2014

### **Hospital Financial Survey (Survey Years 2011 thru 2013)**

Charlton Memorial Hospital	Charlton	2011	7/13/2012
Charlton Memorial Hospital	Charlton	2012	7/26/2013
Mountain Lakes Medical Center	Rabun	2011	7/13/2012
Mountain Lakes Medical Center	Rabun	2012	7/26/2013

### **Open Heart Surgery Services Survey (Survey Years 2011 thru 2013)**

South Georgia Medical Center	Lowndes	2013	
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### **Positron Emission Tomography Services Survey (Survey Years 2012 thru 2014)**

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### **Radiation Therapy Services Survey (Survey Years 2012 thru 2014)**

Hutcheson Medical Center	Catoosa	2012	5/17/2013
Hutcheson Medical Center	Catoosa	2013	5/16/2014
Hutcheson Medical Center	Catoosa	2014	5/15/2015
Meadows Regional Cancer Center	Toombs	2013	5/16/2014

# Indigent and Charity Care Shortfalls

## Facilities with Indigent and Charity Care Commitment Shortfalls for Most Recent 3 Years

Facility Name	County	Year	Shortfall Due	Service
Brookstone Surgical Center, LLC	Muscogee	2013	44,631.52	Ambulatory Surgery Center
CPMSC Canton	Cherokee	2014	39,426.60	Ambulatory Surgery Center
GA Urology, PA Cobb Ambulatory Surgery Center	Cobb	2014	14,433.70	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Interventional Spine and Pain Management Ambulatory Surgical Center	Rockdale	2013	70,825.83	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Optim Surgery Center	Chatham	2014	2,945,040.80	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Orthocare Surgery Center, LLC	Dougherty	2014	22,894.00	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Schulze Surgery Center, Inc.	Chatham	2012	29,475.08	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Schulze Surgery Center, Inc.	Chatham	2013	4,838.07	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Urology Specialists Surgery Center	Bibb	2014	188,646.10	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Amicita Home Health	Early	2014	1,539.66	Home Health Agency
AseraCare Home Health	Fulton	2013	14,681.28	Home Health Agency
Georgia Home Health	Fulton	2014	35,647.87	Home Health Agency
Island Health Care	Chatham	2014	20,912.29	Home Health Agency
Suncrest Home Health	Newton	2014	10,525.87	Home Health Agency
Suncrest Home Health	Fulton	2014	18,318.91	Home Health Agency
SunCrest Home Health - Chatham	Chatham	2014	7,253.38	Home Health Agency
PET Imaging Center of Savannah	Chatham	2013	17,633.10	PET Services
PET Imaging Center of Savannah	Chatham	2014	17,397.30	PET Services

Notes: The provisions of the Provider Payment Act of 2010 exempt eligible hospitals from being required to pay shortfalls associated with CON indigent and charity care commitments while the Act is in force. Critical Access Hospitals, Psychiatric Hospitals, and State-owned hospitals are exempt from the PPA so must still pay shortfalls associated with CON commitments.

## ***CERTIFICATE OF NEED FILING REQUIREMENTS***

### **Letters of Intent**

O.C.G.A. 31-6-40(b) provides that:

Any person proposing to develop or offer a new institutional health service or health care facility shall, before commencing such activity, submit a letter of intent and an application to the department and obtain a certificate of need in the manner provided in this chapter unless such activity is excluded from the scope of this chapter.

O.C.G.A. 31-6-43(a) further provides that:

At least 30 days prior to submitting an application for a certificate of need for clinical health services, a person shall submit a letter of intent to the department. The department shall provide by rule a process for submitting letters of intent and a mechanism by which applications may be filed to compete with and be reviewed comparatively with proposals described in submitted letters of intent.

All parties interested in applying for a certificate of need for new institutional health services **MUST NOTIFY THE DEPARTMENT 30 DAYS PRIOR TO FILING AN APPLICATION** of their intent to do so. This notice must be in writing and must contain the following information:

- Name and address of legal applicant;
- Person to whom inquiries may be addressed;
- Name, address of facility, if different from legal applicant;
- Proposed Project Site Location;
- Brief summary description of proposal;
- Proposed service area; and,
- Cost of the project.

The Department will not accept any letters of intent submitted by either telephone, facsimile or e-mail pursuant to Rule 111-2-2-.06(5).

Note: No CON application will be accepted without a previously filed Letter of Intent. The CON application must be submitted no later than 30 days after the Letter of Intent has been received by the Department.

# Batching Review

The below reviewable CON services are grouped for review into quarterly Batching Cycles. These services and the Batching Cycles are as follows:

	Batched Service	Batching Notice	Letter of Intent	Application Deadline
FALL	Home Health, Skilled Nursing Facilities, Intermediate Care Facilities, Perinatal Service, Inpatient Rehabilitation, Ambulatory Surgery	September	October	November
WINTER	PET, Mega Voltage Radiation Therapy, Pediatric Cath/Open Heart, Adult Open Heart, Psych/Substance Abuse, Birthing Centers	December	January	February
SPRING	Home Health, Skilled Nursing Facilities, Intermediate Care Facilities, Perinatal Service, Inpatient Rehabilitation, Ambulatory Surgery	March	April	May
SUMMER	PET, Mega Voltage Radiation Therapy, Pediatric Cath/Open Heart, Adult Open Heart, Psych/Substance Abuse, Birthing Centers	June	July	August

The requirements for Letters of Intent associated with designated Batching Cycles will be issued at the time of publication of the Batching Notice.

Letters of Intent for services, facilities, or expenditures for which there is no specified batching cycle, or other applicable rule, may be filed at any time.

## **Batching Notifications— Posted 9/29/2016 on DCH Website** Fall Batching Review Cycle Notifications

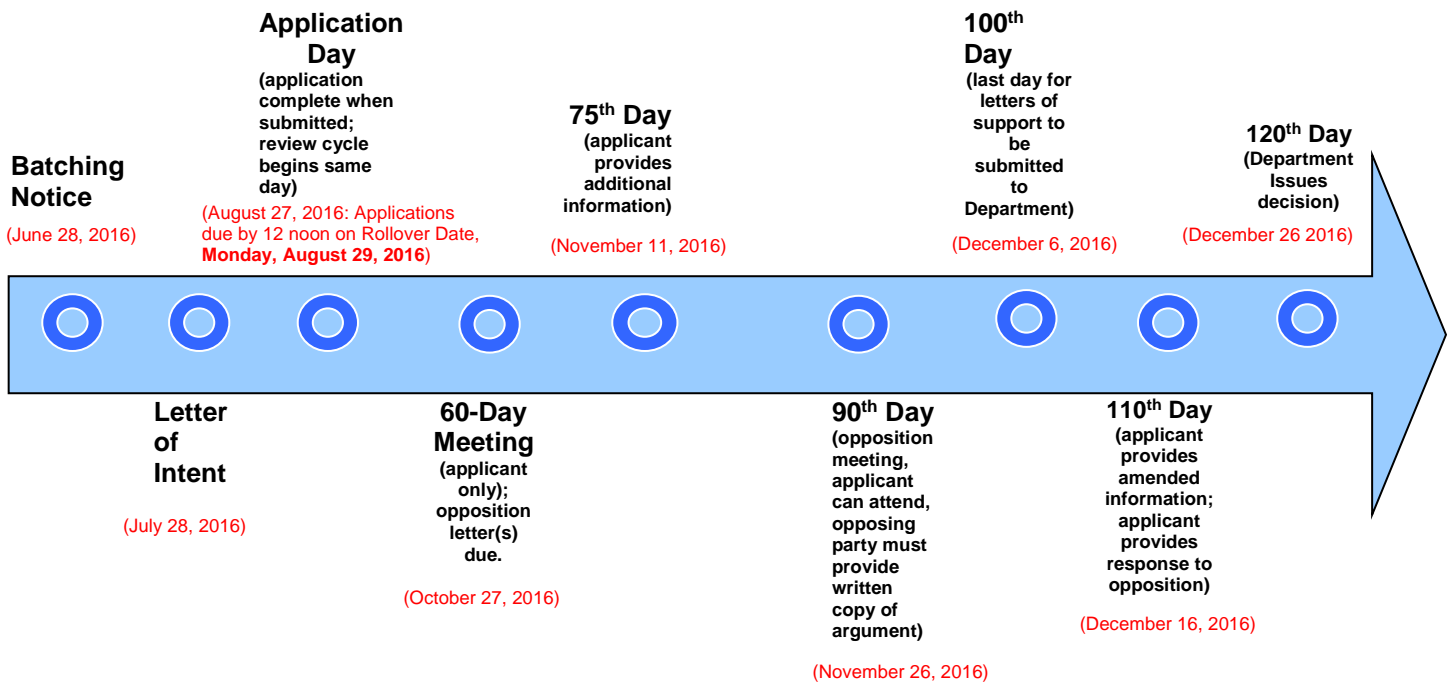
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Need Projections can be found on the [“DHP Need Projections” Page](#)



**BATCHED APPLICATIONS: SEQUENCE OF CERTIFICATE OF NEED APPLICATION REVIEW ACTIVITIES**

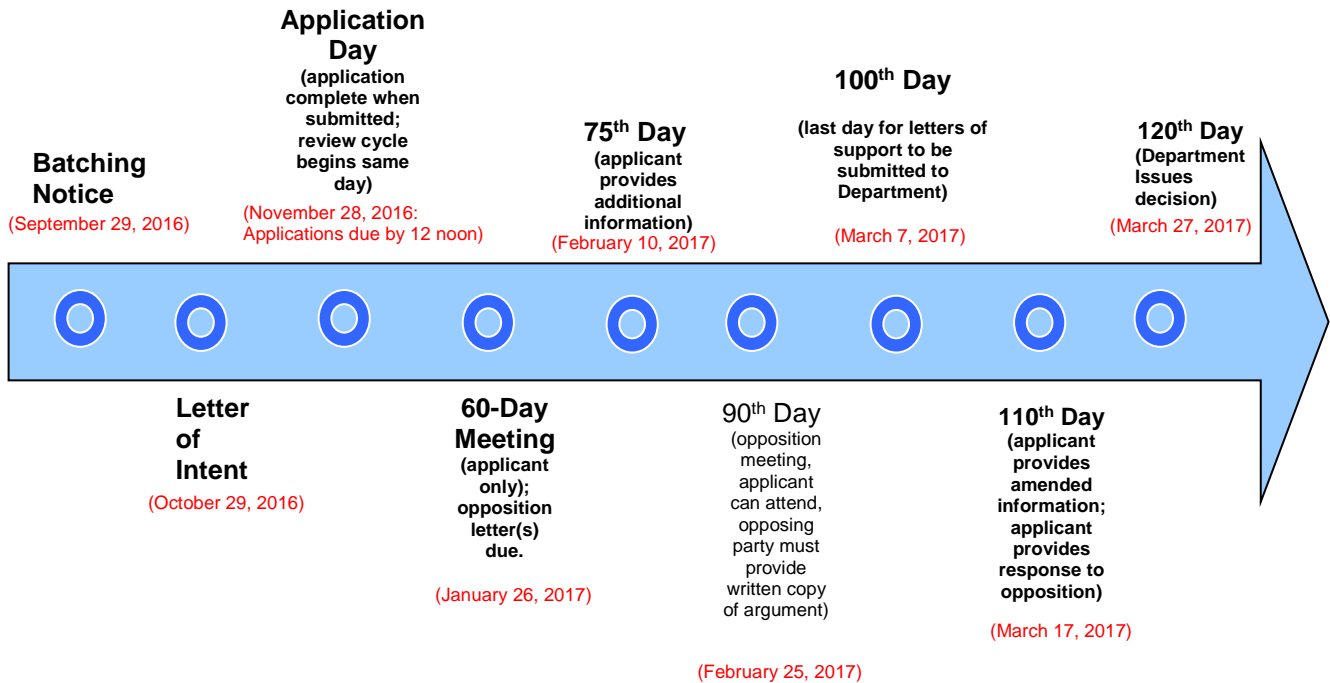
**SUMMER CYCLE**



- ▶ Batching Notice issued 30 days before Letter of Intent Due
- ▶ Letter of Intent received by Department 30 days before application is submitted
- ▶ Applications submitted; deemed complete; review cycle begins
- ▶ 60-Day meeting (applicant only); deadline for receipt of opposition letter(s)
- ▶ 75<sup>th</sup> day – applicant provides additional information
- ▶ 90<sup>th</sup> day – Opposition Meeting(s) scheduled; applicant can be in attendance; opposing parties must provide written statement of opposition arguments presented (original and one copy to the Department and one copy to the applicant); presentation time will be limited; Department reserves right to make additional inquiries subsequent to 60-day meeting and following opposition meeting.
- ▶ 100<sup>th</sup> day Last day for letters of support to be submitted to the Department
- ▶ 110<sup>th</sup> day Applicant deadline for submitting amended information; applicant deadline for providing written response to opposition due to Department; applicant deadline for providing written response to Department’s inquiries subsequent to opposition meeting
- ▶ 120<sup>th</sup> day Decision issued (No discretion to extend)

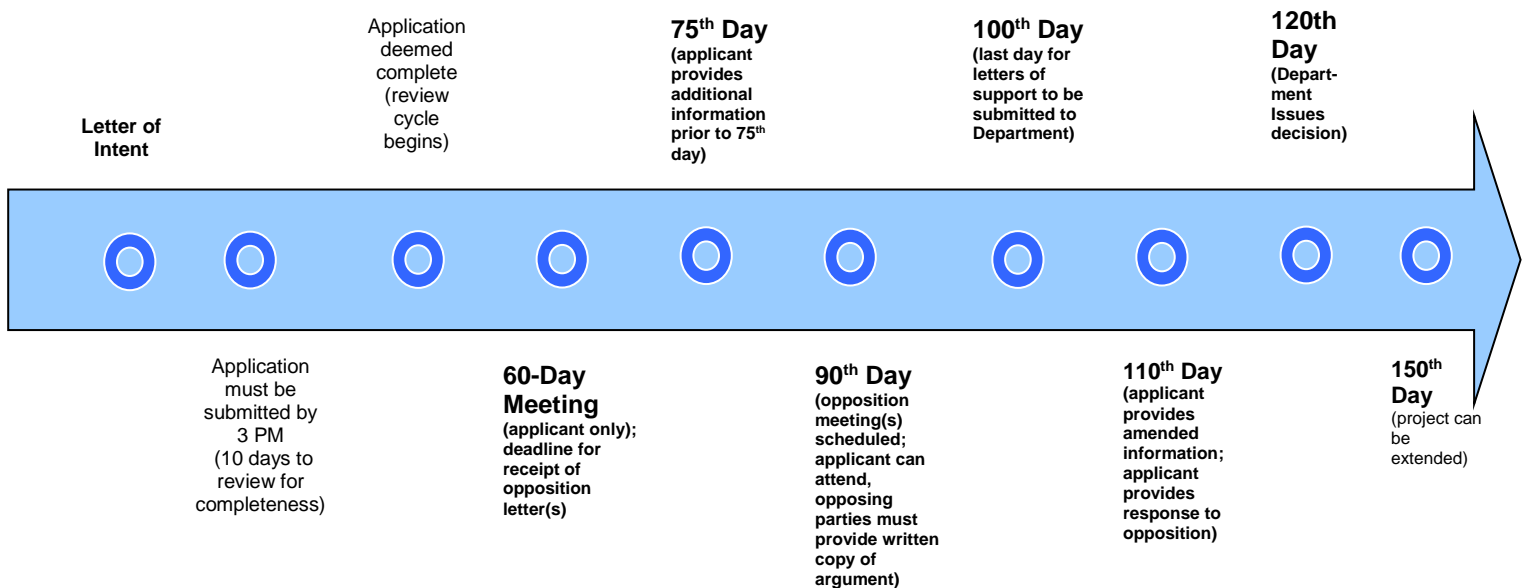
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**FALL CYCLE**



- ▶ **Batching Notice issued 30 days before Letter of Intent Due**
- ▶ **Letter of Intent received by Department 30 days before application is submitted**
- ▶ **Applications submitted; deemed complete; review cycle begins**
- ▶ **60-Day meeting (applicant only); deadline for receipt of opposition letter(s)**
- ▶ **75<sup>th</sup> day – applicant provides additional information**
- ▶ **90<sup>th</sup> day – Opposition Meeting(s) scheduled; applicant can be in attendance; opposing parties must provide written statement of opposition arguments presented (original and one copy to the Department and one copy to the applicant); presentation time will be limited; Department reserves right to make additional inquiries subsequent to 60-day meeting and following opposition meeting.**
- ▶ **100<sup>th</sup> day Last day for letters of support to be submitted to the Department**
- ▶ **110<sup>th</sup> day Applicant deadline for submitting amended information; applicant deadline for providing written response to opposition due to Department; applicant deadline for providing written response to Department’s inquiries subsequent to opposition meeting**
- ▶ **120<sup>th</sup> day Decision issued (No discretion to extend)**

## NON-BATCHED APPLICATIONS: SEQUENCE OF CERTIFICATE OF NEED APPLICATION REVIEW ACTIVITIES



- ▶ Letter of Intent received by Department 30 days before application is submitted
- ▶ Application submitted (10 working days to review for completeness). Applications submitted after 3:00 PM will be considered received on the next business day.
- ▶ Application deemed complete; 120-day review cycle begins
- ▶ 60-day meeting (applicant only); deadline for receipt of opposition letter(s)
- ▶ 75<sup>th</sup> day - applicant provides additional information prior to 75<sup>th</sup> day
- ▶ 90<sup>th</sup> day – Opposition Meeting(s) scheduled; applicant can be in attendance; opposing parties must provide written statement of opposition arguments presented (original and one copy to the Department and one copy to the applicant); presentation time will be limited; Department reserves right to make additional inquiries subsequent to 60-day meeting and following opposition meeting.
- ▶ 100<sup>th</sup> day Last day for letters of support to be submitted to the Department
- ▶ 110<sup>th</sup> day Applicant deadline for submitting amended information; applicant deadline for providing written response to opposition; applicant deadline for providing written response to Department’s inquiries subsequent to opposition meeting
- ▶ 120<sup>th</sup> day Decision issued (Department has discretion to extend to 150<sup>th</sup> day)

## Office of Health Planning Contact Information

For general questions related to the Office of Health Planning, questions concerning Health Planning surveys, indigent and charity care commitment shortfalls, and all other matters please contact Rachel L. King, J.D., Executive Director  
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For questions concerning pending Certificate of Need applications please contact Bruce Henderson, Senior Reviewer  
([bhenderson@dch.ga.gov](mailto:bhenderson@dch.ga.gov))

For LNR/DET letters and for CON related matters please contact Roxana Tatman, Legal Director, Health Planning  
([rtatman@dch.ga.gov](mailto:rtatman@dch.ga.gov))

## Letters of Determination

The Department will require that a determination request be submitted for any proposed activity that may be exempt under O.C.G.A. 31-6. Such requests will be accepted only on the Department's Determination Request form with the required filing fee of \$250. Note: Requests for confirmation of the exemptions for a single specialty ambulatory surgical center or a joint venture ambulatory surgical center and equipment below the threshold are considered requests for a Letter of Nonreviewability ("LNR") and require a \$500 filing fee.

## Periodic Reporting Requirements

From June 1, 2016 until September 15, 2016, the Department, through the Office of Health Planning, permitted facilities an opportunity to complete outstanding surveys in order to become compliant. Facilities not in compliance after the September deadline received a Notification of Deficiencies which included details regarding the outstanding surveys, where surveys could be completed, and contact information for the Department. To confirm whether your facility has an outstanding survey please visit [www.georgiamap2care.info](http://www.georgiamap2care.info) To complete a survey, please visit [www.georgiahealthdata.info](http://www.georgiahealthdata.info).

**CON Thresholds** become effective annually on July 1. The current and effective thresholds can be found on the CON Thresholds page.

<http://dch.georgia.gov/con-thresholds>

## Special Note

The [Letters of Intent](#) section of the Tracking and Appeals Report provides the date on which the CON Application must be submitted for each potential project. If the CON application is not received on that date, the associated Letter of Intent is considered expired.

Please do not submit Letters of Opposition or Letters of Support prior to the Department's receipt of an actual Certificate of Need application.

## Requirements for Verification of Lawful Presence within the United States

The Department will no longer require information relating to this topic for Certificate of Need applications.

## Open Record Requests

Requests for documents or other information can be obtained using the Open Record Request form found at the following:

<http://dch.georgia.gov/health-planning-publications-and-data-resources>

The ORR Form found there can be emailed to [HealthPlanningInfo@dch.ga.gov](mailto:HealthPlanningInfo@dch.ga.gov)

## Web Links

Please access copies of available Health Planning decisions and documents at the following web address:

<https://weblink.dch.georgia.gov/WebLink8/Browse.aspx?startid=63&dbid=1>

Please also visit [www.GaMap2Care.info](http://www.GaMap2Care.info) for healthcare facility and reporting information.

## LNR Conversion

As of June 1, 2016, absent the proposed undertaking of a reviewable action necessitating prior CON review and approval, the Department will no longer engage in CON review of facilities in possession of an LNR.

### **CERTIFICATE OF NEED APPEAL PANEL**

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