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***February 11, 2026 – February 17, 2026***

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## Letters of Intent

### **LOI2026004 Clear Imaging, LLC d/b/a Clear MRI**

New Imaging Center in Gwinnett County

**Received: 1/30/2026**

**Application must be submitted on: 2/24/2026**

**Site:** 4470 Satellite Blvd. Suite 130, Duluth, GA 30096 (Gwinnett County)

**Estimated Cost:** \$1,000,000

## Letters of Intent – Batching

none

## Expired Letters of Intent

### **LOI2026001 Clear Imaging, LLC d/b/a Clear MRI**

New Imaging Center in Gwinnett County

**Received: 1/2/2026**

**Application must be submitted on: 1/27/2026**

**Site:** 4470 Satellite Blvd. Suite 130, Duluth, GA 30096 (Gwinnett County)

**Estimated Cost:** \$1,000,000

### **LOI2026002 Doctors Hospital of Augusta, LLC d/b/a Doctors Hospital of Augusta**

Establishment of Adult Open Heart Surgery Service - Batching

**Received: 1/11/2026**

**Application must be submitted on: 2/5/2026**

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

**Estimated Cost:** \$3,000,000

## Withdrawn CON Applications

none

## New CON Applications

none

## Pending Review Applications

### **2025-038 South Georgia Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a SGMC-Health**

Establish a 4-Bed Level III NICU in Planning Area 4 - Batching

**Filed: 11/20/2025 Deemed Complete: 11/20/2025**

**30th Day Deadline: 12/19/2025**

**Decision Deadline: 3/19/2026**

**Site:** 2501 North Patterson Street, Valdosta, GA 31602 (Lowndes County)

**Contact:** Ronald E. Dean, President and CEO 229-259-4102

**Estimated Cost:** \$1,318,757

### **2025-039 Savannah Health Services, LLC d/b/a Memorial Health University Medical Center**

Expansion Addition of 7 Beds to Existing Level III NICU in Planning Area 5 - Batching

**Filed: 11/20/2025 Deemed Complete: 11/20/2025**

**30th Day Deadline: 12/19/2025**

**Decision Deadline: 3/19/2026**

**Site:** 4700 Waters Avenue, Savannah, GA 31404 (Chatham County)

**Contact:** Karen Nelson, Sr. VP, Strategy 804-519-9879

**Estimated Cost:** \$8,793,000

### **2026-002 John D. Archbold Memorial Hospital, Inc.**

Establishment of Adult Open Heart Surgery Service - Batching

**Filed: 2/5/2026 Deemed Complete: 2/5/2026**

**30th Day Deadline:** 3/6/2026

**Decision Deadline:** 6/4/2026

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

**Contact:** Chris Newman, COO 229-228-2771

**Estimated Cost:** \$6,945,132

## Recently Approved Applications

none

## Recently Denied Applications

none

## Disqualified Applications

none

## Appealed Determinations

**DET-EQT2022-035 Allegiance Imaging and Radiology, LLC** Request for Letter of Determination received on 4/5/2022, regarding additional locations for mobile MRI.

**Agency Decision:** Denied on 7/27/2022

**Appealed:** Allegiance Imaging and Radiology, LLC (“Allegiance”) files Request for Administrative Appeal on 8/19/2022.

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

**Hearing Date:** Pending

**DET2023-102 Center for Advanced Research & Education, LLC** Request for Letter of Determination received on 5/16/2023, regarding acquisition and use of PET unit.

**Agency Decision:** Denied on 10/10/2023

**Appealed:** The Center for Advanced Research & Education, LLC (“CARE”) files Request for Administrative Appeal on 11/8/2023. Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Inc. (“NGMC”) files Request to Intervene, 11/29/2023.

**Hearing Officer:** Dr. L. Lynn Hogue

**Hearing Date:** Pending

**DET-EQT2024-073 MDS Imaging, Inc.** Request for Letter of Determination received on 7/2/2024, regarding acquisition of mobile MRI unit.

**Agency Decision:** Denied on 12/6/2024

**Appealed:** MDS Imaging, Inc. (“MDS”) files Request for Administrative Appeal on 1/3/2025. Kennestone Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Kennestone Regional Medical Center and Kennestone Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Windy Hill Hospital (“Wellstar”) file Request to Intervene, 12/17/2024. The Georgia Alliance of Community Hospitals (“GACH”) files Request to Intervene, 1/3/2025.

**Hearing Officer:** Dr. L. Lynn Hogue

**Hearing Date:** N/A

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer grants MDS’s request to acquire a mobile MRI unit, 8/22/2025. MDS files for Commissioner Review, 9/19/2025. GACH files for Commissioner Review, 9/22/2025.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Affirms Hearing Officer’s 8/22/2025 decision, 11/4/2025. MDS files Petition for Judicial Review in Superior Court of Fulton County, 11/26/2025. GACH files Petition for Judicial Review in Superior Court of Tift County, 12/3/2025.

**Superior Court of Fulton County:** Pending

**Superior Court of Tift County:** Pending

**DET-EQT2024-074 MDS Imaging, Inc.** Request for Letter of Determination received on 7/2/2024, regarding acquisition of fixed MRI unit.

**Agency Decision:** Denied on 12/6/2024

**Appealed:** MDS Imaging, Inc. (“MDS”) files Request for Administrative Appeal on 1/3/2025. Wellstar Spalding Regional Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Spalding Medical Center (“Wellstar Spalding”) files Request to Intervene, 12/17/2024. The Georgia Alliance of Community Hospitals (“GACH”) files Request to Intervene, 1/3/2025.

**Hearing Officer:** Dr. L. Lynn Hogue

**Hearing Date:** N/A

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer affirms Department's 12/6/2024 decision to deny MDS's request to acquire a fixed MRI unit, 8/25/2025. MDS files for Commissioner Review, 9/19/2025.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Affirms Hearing Officer's 8/25/2025 decision, 11/11/2025. MDS files Petition for Judicial Review in Superior Court of Fulton County, 11/26/2025. GACH files Petition for Judicial Review in Superior Court of Tift County, 12/9/2025.

**Superior Court of Fulton County:** Pending

**Superior Court of Tift County:** Pending

**DET-EQT2024-075 MDS Imaging, Inc.** Request for Letter of Determination received on 7/2/2024, regarding acquisition of fixed CT unit.

**Agency Decision:** Denied on 12/6/2024

**Appealed:** MDS Imaging, Inc. ("MDS") files Request for Administrative Appeal on 1/3/2025. Wellstar Spalding Regional Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Spalding Medical Center ("Wellstar Spalding") files Request to Intervene, 12/17/2024. The Georgia Alliance of Community Hospitals ("GACH") files Request to Intervene, 1/3/2025.

**Hearing Officer:** Dr. L. Lynn Hogue

**Hearing Date:** N/A

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer affirms Department's 12/6/2024 decision to deny MDS's request to acquire a fixed CT unit, 8/25/2025. MDS files for Commissioner Review, 9/19/2025.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Affirms Hearing Officer's 8/25/2025 decision, 11/11/2025. MDS files Petition for Judicial Review in Superior Court of Fulton County, 11/26/2025. GACH files Petition for Judicial Review in Superior Court of Tift County, 12/9/2025.

**Superior Court of Fulton County:** Pending

**Superior Court of Tift County:** Pending

**DET-EQT2024-134 Lisa Prevention, LLC** Request for Letter of Determination received on 10/8/2024, regarding acquisition of MRI.

**Agency Decision:** Approved on 2/12/2025

**Appealed:** The Georgia Alliance of Community Hospitals ("GACH") files Request for Administrative Appeal on 3/14/2025.

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

**Hearing Date:** N/A

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer grants Lisa Prevention, LLC's Motion to Dismiss appeal by GACH, 11/10/2025. GACH files for Commissioner Review, 12/9/2025

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Affirms Hearing Officer's 11/10/2025 decision dismissing GACH's request for an administrative hearing, 1/8/2026. GACH files Petition for Judicial Review in Superior Court of Tift County, 2/5/2026.

**Superior Court of Tift County:** Pending

**DET2025-036 Crowning Moments Birth and Wellness Center, LLC** Request for Letter of Determination received on 4/3/2025, regarding the development of a new birthing center.

**Agency Decision:** Approved on 5/28/2025

**Appealed:** Wellstar North Fulton Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar North Fulton Medical Center ("Wellstar") files Request for Administrative Appeal on 6/13/2025.

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

**Hearing Date:** Pending

**DET-EQT2025-037 MDS Imaging, Inc.** Request for Letter of Determination received on 3/24/2025, regarding an exemption for the acquisition of diagnostic imaging equipment.

**Agency Decision:** Denied on 7/18/2025

**Appealed:** MDS Imaging, Inc. ("MDS") files Request for Administrative Appeal on 8/13/2025. Tanner Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Tanner Medical Center Carrollton ("Tanner") files Request to Intervene, 8/14/2025. The Georgia Alliance of Community Hospitals ("GACH") files Request to Intervene, 8/14/2025.

**Hearing Officer:** Dr. L. Lynn Hogue

**Hearing Date:** Pending

**DET-EQT2025-038 MDS Imaging, Inc.** Request for Letter of Determination received on 3/24/2025, regarding an exemption for the acquisition of diagnostic imaging equipment.

**Agency Decision:** Denied on 7/18/2025

**Appealed:** MDS Imaging, Inc. (“MDS”) files Request for Administrative Appeal on 8/13/2025. The Georgia Alliance of Community Hospitals (“GACH”) files Request to Intervene, 8/14/2025. Physicians MRI, Inc. d/b/a Open MRI of Macon (“Open MRI”) files Request to Intervene, 8/15/2025.

**Hearing Officer:** Dr. L. Lynn Hogue

**Hearing Date:** Pending

**DET-EQT2025-045 Amera Imaging (Georgia) LLC** Request for Letter of Determination received on 4/10/2025, regarding an exemption for the acquisition of MRI equipment.

**Agency Decision:** Approved on 5/13/2025

**Appealed:** Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Atlanta, Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Gwinnett, Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Forsyth, Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Cherokee, and Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Duluth (“Northside”) file Request for Administrative Appeal on 6/2/2025. American Health Imaging of Georgia, LLC (“AHI”) files Request for Administrative Appeal on 6/2/2025. The Georgia Alliance of Community Hospitals (“GACH”) files Request for Administrative Appeal on 6/9/2025.

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

**Hearing Date:** 2/23/2026, 10:00 A.M. / Remote Video Conference

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer grants Amera Imaging (Georgia) LLC’s Motion to Dismiss appeal by GACH, 9/30/2025. GACH files for Commissioner Review, 10/6/2025.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Affirms Hearing Officer’s 9/30/2025 order, 11/5/2025. GACH files Petition for Judicial Review in Superior Court of Tift County, 12/5/2025.

**Superior Court of Tift County:** Pending

**DET-EQT2025-046 Amera Imaging (Georgia) LLC** Request for Letter of Determination received on 4/10/2025, regarding an exemption for the acquisition of MRI equipment.

**Agency Decision:** Approved on 5/13/2025

**Appealed:** Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Atlanta, Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Gwinnett, Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Forsyth, Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Cherokee, and Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Duluth (“Northside”) file Request for Administrative Appeal on 6/2/2025. American Health Imaging of Georgia, LLC (“AHI”) files Request for Administrative Appeal on 6/2/2025. The Georgia Alliance of Community Hospitals (“GACH”) files Request for Administrative Appeal on 6/9/2025.

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

**Hearing Date:** 2/23/2026, 10:00 A.M. / Remote Video Conference

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer grants Amera Imaging (Georgia) LLC’s Motion to Dismiss appeal by GACH, 9/30/2025. GACH files for Commissioner Review, 10/6/2025.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Affirms Hearing Officer’s 9/30/2025 order, 11/5/2025. GACH files Petition for Judicial Review in Superior Court of Tift County, 12/5/2025.

**Superior Court of Tift County:** Pending

**DET-EQT2025-069 Amera Imaging (Georgia) LLC** Request for Letter of Determination received on 5/21/2025, regarding an exemption for the acquisition of MRI equipment.

**Agency Decision:** Approved on 6/25/2025

**Appealed:** Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Atlanta, Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Gwinnett, Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Forsyth, Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Cherokee, and Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Duluth (“Northside”) file Request for Administrative Appeal on 7/17/2025. American Health Imaging of Georgia, LLC (“AHI”) files Request for Administrative Appeal on 7/17/2025. The Georgia Alliance of Community Hospitals (“GACH”) files Request for Administrative Appeal on 7/18/2025.

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

**Hearing Date:** 2/23/2026, 10:00 A.M. / Remote Video Conference

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer grants Amera Imaging (Georgia) LLC’s Motion to Dismiss appeal by GACH, 9/30/2025. GACH files for Commissioner Review, 10/6/2025.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Affirms Hearing Officer’s 9/30/2025 order, 11/5/2025. GACH files Petition for Judicial Review in Superior Court of Tift County, 12/5/2025.

**Superior Court of Tift County:** Pending

**DET-EQT2025-071 Amera Imaging (Georgia) LLC** Request for Letter of Determination received on 5/29/2025, regarding an exemption for the acquisition of MRI equipment.

**Agency Decision:** Approved on 7/11/2025

**Appealed:** Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Atlanta, Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Gwinnett, Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Forsyth, Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Cherokee, and Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Duluth (“Northside”) file Request for Administrative Appeal on 7/17/2025. American Health Imaging of Georgia, LLC (“AHI”) files Request for Administrative Appeal on 7/17/2025. The Georgia Alliance of Community Hospitals (“GACH”) files Request for Administrative Appeal on 7/18/2025.

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

**Hearing Date:** 2/23/2026, 10:00 A.M. / Remote Video Conference

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer grants Amera Imaging (Georgia) LLC’s Motion to Dismiss appeal by GACH, 9/30/2025. GACH files for Commissioner Review, 10/6/2025.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Affirms Hearing Officer’s 9/30/2025 order, 11/5/2025. GACH files Petition for Judicial Review in Superior Court of Tift County, 12/5/2025.

**Superior Court of Tift County:** Pending

**DET-EQT2025-086 Care Medical Center, LLC** Request for Letter of Determination received on 7/1/2025, regarding an exemption for the acquisition of MRI equipment.

**Agency Decision:** Approved on 9/23/2025

**Appealed:** Physicians MRI, Inc. d/b/a Open MRI of Macon (“Open MRI”) files Request for Administrative Appeal on 10/17/2025.

**Hearing Officer:** Dr. L. Lynn Hogue

**Hearing Date:** Pending

**DET-EQT2025-119 Amera Imaging (Georgia) LLC** Request for Letter of Determination received on 9/16/2025, regarding an exemption for the acquisition of MRI equipment.

**Agency Decision:** Approved on 11/25/2025

**Appealed:** The Georgia Alliance of Community Hospitals (“GACH”) files Request for Administrative Appeal on 12/19/2025. Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Atlanta, Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Gwinnett, Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Forsyth, Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Cherokee, and Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Duluth (“Northside”) file Request for Administrative Appeal on 12/19/2025. American Health Imaging of Georgia, LLC (“AHI”) files Request for Administrative Appeal on 12/19/2025.

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

**Hearing Date:** Pending

## Appealed CON Projects

### **2020-020 University Hospital (Columbia)**

Establish a Freestanding Emergency Care Facility

**Agency Decision:** Approved, 7/21/2020

**Appealed By:** Doctors Hospital of Augusta, LLC d/b/a Doctors Hospital of Augusta (“Doctors”), 8/19/2020. AU Medical Center, Inc. (“AUMC”), 8/20/2020.

**Hearing Officer:** David Will, Esq.

**Hearing Date:** 10/23-27/2023, 11/2/2023, 9:00 A.M. / Remote Video Conference

**Hearing Decision:** Reverses Department’s 7/21/2020 decision to grant a Certificate of Need to University Hospital, 6/10/2024. University Health Services, Inc. d/b/a Piedmont Augusta (“UHS”) files for Commissioner Review, 6/17/2024. UHS files Petition for Judicial Review in Superior Court of Richmond County, 7/10/2024.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Affirms Hearing Officer’s decision to reverse the Department’s decision to grant a Certificate of Need to University Hospital, 8/8/2024. UHS files Petition for Judicial Review in Superior Court of Richmond County, 9/5/2024.

**Superior Court of Richmond County:** Affirms the Department’s Final Order, 2/5/2025. UHS files Application for Discretionary Appeal in the Georgia Court of Appeals, 3/7/2025.

**Court of Appeals:** Grants UHS’ Application for Discretionary Appeal, 4/2/2025.

### **2020-023 AU Medical Center, Inc. (Richmond)**

Establish a Freestanding Emergency Care Facility as a Department of AU Medical Center, Inc

**Agency Decision:** Approved, 7/28/2020

**Appealed By:** Doctors Hospital of Augusta, LLC d/b/a Doctors Hospital of Augusta (“Doctors”), 8/27/2020. University Health Services, Inc. (“University”), 9/3/2020. University McDuffie County Regional Medical Center, Inc. (“University-McDuffie”), 9/3/2020. AU Medical Center, Inc. withdraws CON 2020-023, 12/4/2024.

**Hearing Officer:** David C. Will, Esq.

**Hearing Date:** Continued until further notice

**2021-008 St. Joseph's/Candler Radiation Oncology - Statesboro (Bulloch)**

Establish Non-Special MegaVoltage Radiation Therapy Service – Batching

**Agency Decision:** Denied, 6/15/2021

**Appealed By:** SJC Oncology Services-Statesboro, LLC d/b/a St. Joseph's/Candler Radiation Oncology-Statesboro (“SJC-Statesboro”), 7/14/2021. Savannah Health Services, LLC d/b/a Memorial Health University Medical Center (“Memorial”) files Request to Intervene, 6/23/2021. South Georgia Center for Cancer Care, LLC (“SGCCC”) files Request to Intervene, 7/14/2021. Memorial files Notice of Withdrawal, 4/22/2024.

**Hearing Officer:** David C. Will, Esq.

**Hearing Date:** 6/18/2024, 1:00 P.M., 6/20/2024, 2:30 P.M., 6/21/2024, 6/24-28/2024, 12/19-20/2024, 9:00 A.M. / Remote Video Conference

**Hearing Decision:** Pending

**2021-010 South Georgia Center for Cancer Care (Bulloch)**

Add Linear Accelerator – Batching

**Agency Decision:** Approved, 6/15/2021

**Appealed By:** Candler Hospital, Inc. (“Candler”), 7/14/2021. South Georgia Center for Cancer Care, LLC (“SGCCC”) files Request to Intervene, 7/14/2021.

**Hearing Officer:** David C. Will, Esq.

**Hearing Date:** 6/18/2024, 1:00 P.M., 6/20/2024, 2:30 P.M., 6/21/2024, 6/24-28/2024, 12/19-20/2024, 9:00 A.M. / Remote Video Conference

**Hearing Decision:** Pending

**2022-024 Five Points Healthcare of GA, LLC d/b/a Aveanna Home Health (Cobb)**

Expansion of Home Health Agency (Fulton, Cherokee Counties) - Batching

**Agency Decision:** Denied, 9/23/2022

**Appealed By:** Five Points Healthcare of GA, LLC d/b/a Aveanna Home Health (“Aveanna Cobb”), 10/18/2022.

**Hearing Officer:** O. Wendell Horne, III, Esq.

**Hearing Date:** Pending

**2022-025 Five Points Healthcare of GA, LLC d/b/a Aveanna Home Health (Gwinnett)**

Expansion of Home Health Agency (Clayton, Fayette, Henry, Rockdale Counties) - Batching

**Agency Decision:** Denied, 9/23/2022

**Appealed By:** Five Points Healthcare of GA, LLC d/b/a Aveanna Home Health (“Aveanna Gwinnett”), 10/18/2022.

**Hearing Officer:** O. Wendell Horne, III, Esq.

**Hearing Date:** Pending

**2023-009 Augusta Oncology Associates, P.C. d/b/a Augusta Oncology Multispecialty Clinic (Richmond)**

Establishment of Non-Special MegaVoltage Radiation Therapy Service – Batching

**Agency Decision:** Denied, 6/16/2023

**Appealed By:** Augusta Oncology Associates, P.C., 7/17/2023. AU Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a AU Medical Center (“AUMC”) files Request to Intervene, 7/14/2023. Doctors Hospital of Augusta, LLC d/b/a Doctors Hospital of Augusta (“Doctors”) files Request to Intervene, 7/17/2023.

**Hearing Officer:** O. Wendell Horne, III, Esq.

**Hearing Date:** Pending

**2023-011 University Cancer & Blood Center, LLC (Clarke)**

Addition of PET/CT Unit – Batching

**Agency Decision:** Approved, 6/16/2023

**Appealed By:** Piedmont Athens Regional Medical Center, Inc. (“Piedmont Athens”), 7/12/2023.

**Hearing Officer:** O. Wendell Horne, III, Esq.

**Hearing Date:** Pending

**2023-072 Bethlehem ASC, LLC (Barrow)**

Establishment of Ambulatory Surgery Center in HPA 4 – Batching

**Agency Decision:** Approved, 3/26/2024

**Appealed By:** Braselton Surgical Specialist Center, LLC (“BSSC”), 4/24/2024. Gwinnett Advanced Surgery Center, LLC (“GASC”), 4/24/2024. Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Gwinnett (“NHG”), 4/24/2024. Bethlehem ASC, LLC (“Bethlehem ASC”) files Request to Intervene, 4/24/2024.

**Hearing Officer:** Carl P. Dowling, Esq.

**Hearing Date:** 11/4-8/2024, 11/12/2024, 11/20/2024, 9:00 A.M. / Remote Video Conference

**Hearing Decision:** Affirms Department’s decision to grant a CON to Bethlehem ASC, 2/21/2025. BSSC, GASC, and NHG file Petition for Judicial Review Superior Court of Fulton County, 3/21/2025.

**Hearing Decision on Remand:** Affirms Department’s decision to grant a CON to Bethlehem ASC, 10/14/2025. BSSC, GASC, and NHG file Petition for Judicial Review Superior Court of Fulton County, 11/13/2025.

**Superior Court of Fulton County:** Remands case to Hearing Officer for further consideration, 7/29/2025.

**Superior Court of Fulton County Decision on Remand:** Pending

**2024-027 American Health Imaging of Georgia, LLC d/b/a American Health Imaging of Alpharetta**

New Imaging Center

**Agency Decision:** Denied, 2/24/2025

**Appealed By:** American Health Imaging of Georgia, LLC d/b/a American Health Imaging of Alpharetta (“AHI of Alpharetta”), 2/26/2025. Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Atlanta (“Northside”) files Request to Intervene, 3/5/2025. Wellstar North Fulton Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar North Fulton Medical Center (“Wellstar North Fulton”) files Request to Intervene, 3/5/2025.

**Hearing Officer:** Ronald E. Daniels, Esq.

**Hearing Date:** 6/23-27/2025, 9:30 A.M., 8/11-15/2025, 9:00 A.M., 9/11/2025, 9:00 A.M. / Remote Video Conference

**Hearing Decision:** Affirms Department’s 2/24/2025 decision to deny a CON to AHI of Alpharetta, 11/26/2025.

**2025-009 Coliseum Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Piedmont Macon Medical**

Establish Freestanding Emergency Department

**Agency Decision:** Approved, 8/1/2025

**Appealed By:** The Medical Center of Peach County, Inc. d/b/a Atrium Health Navicent Peach (“Peach”), 8/29/2025. The Medical Center of Central Georgia, Inc. d/b/a Atrium Health Navicent The Medical Center (“The Medical Center”), 8/29/2025. Houston Hospitals, Inc. d/b/a Emory Hospital Perry (“Emory Perry”), 8/29/2025. Houston Hospitals, Inc. d/b/a Emory Hospital Warner Robbins (“Emory Warner Robbins”), 8/29/2025.

**Hearing Officer:** Pending

**Hearing Date:** Pending

**2025-021 Kennestone Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Kennestone Regional Medical Center**

Construction of New Hospital

**Agency Decision:** Approved, 10/20/2025

**Appealed By:** Floyd Healthcare Management, Inc. d/b/a Atrium Health Floyd Medical Center (“Atrium Floyd”), 11/14/2025. Polk Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Atrium Health Floyd Polk Medical Center (“Atrium Polk”), 11/14/2025. Piedmont Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Piedmont Atlanta Hospital (“Piedmont Atlanta”), 11/18/2025. Cartersville Medical Center, LLC d/b/a Piedmont Cartersville Medical Center (“Piedmont Cartersville”), 11/18/2025. Kennestone Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Kennestone Regional Medical Center (“WKPMC”) files Request to Intervene, 11/4/2025.

**Hearing Officer:** Pending

**Hearing Date:** Pending

**2025-031 The Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Piedmont Columbus Regional Midtown**

Establishment of Adult Open Heart Surgery Service – Batching

**Agency Decision:** Denied, 12/12/2025

**Appealed By:** The Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Piedmont Columbus Regional Midtown (“Piedmont Columbus”), 1/6/2026. St. Francis Health, LLC d/b/a St. Francis-Emory Healthcare (“St. Francis”) files Request to Intervene, 12/23/2025.

**Hearing Officer:** Pending

**Hearing Date:** Pending

**Requests for DET-EQT for Diagnostic or Therapeutic Equipment**

**DET-EQT2025128 Outpatient Imaging, LLC**

Replacement of MRI

**Request received:** 10/16/2025

**Contact Person:** Kathryn MT Platt

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 2/3/2026

**DET-EQT2025131 East Georgia Regional Medical Center, LLC**

Acquisition of a Cath Lab Equipment

**Request received:** 10/21/2025

**Contact Person:** Ivy Kurgan

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 2/6/2026

**DET-EQT2025136 Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital, Inc.**

Acquisition of CT Scanner

**Request received:** 10/27/2025

**Contact Person:** Christopher M. Kane

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 1/21/2026

**DET-EQT2025137 Kennestone Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Kennestone Regional Medical**

Acquisition of a CT Scanner

**Request received:** 10/27/2025

**Contact Person:** James Satcher

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 1/21/2026

**DET-EQT2025139 Kennestone Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Kennestone Regional Medical**

Acquisition of MRI

**Request received:** 10/27/2025

**Contact Person:** James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2025140 Douglas Hornsby, M.D., LLC**

Acquisition of MRI

**Request received:** 10/31/2025

**Contact Person:** Victor Moldovan

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2025141 Emory University d/b/a Emory University Hospital Midtown**

Cardiac Cath Imaging Modality - Floor Mounted Single Plane Cath Lab

**Request received:** 11/6/2025

**Contact Person:** Nicholas Iannitti

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 1/30/2026

**DET-EQT2025143 Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Inc.**

Acquisition of Cath Lab Equipment

**Request received:** 11/11/2025

**Contact Person:** Linda Berger

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 1/20/2026

**DET-EQT2025144 Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Inc.**

Acquisition of Linear Accelerator

**Request received:** 11/11/2025

**Contact Person:** Linda Berger

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 1/20/2026

**DET-EQT2025145 Doctors Hospital of Augusta, LLC d/b/a Doctors Hospital of Augusta**

Acquisition of Robotic Surgery System

**Request received:** 11/14/2025

**Contact Person:** Angela Taylor

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2025149 Piedmont Hospital, Inc.**

Acquisition Of Linear Accelerator

**Request received:** 11/19/2025

**Contact Person:** Christine MacEwen  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2025150 Piedmont Rockdale Hospital, Inc.**

Acquisition Of A Cardiac Cath Lab  
**Request received:** 11/19/2025  
**Contact Person:** Christine MacEwen  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2025152 Adventist Health Systems Georgia, Inc. D/B/A AdventHealth Gordon**

Acquisition Of A Nuclear Medicine Camera  
**Request received:** 11/24/2025  
**Contact Person:** Everette B Jenkins  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2025153 Optim Orthopedics, LLC**

Acquisition of MRI  
**Request received:** 11/26/2025  
**Contact Person:** Michele Madison  
**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 1/28/2026

**DET-EQT2025154 Bone and Joint Institute of South Georgia, P.C.**

Acquisition Of MRI  
**Request received:** 12/1/2025  
**Contact Person:** George Reinhardt, III  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2025155 Vidalia Health Services, LLC d/b/a Memorial Health Meadows Hospital**

Acquisition Of MRI And Mobile MRI And CT Scanner  
**Request received:** 12/3/2025  
**Contact Person:** Jared Kirby  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2025156 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Duluth**

Acquisition Of CT Scanner  
**Request received:** 12/5/2025  
**Contact Person:** Robert Rozier  
**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 2/2/2026

**DET-EQT2025157 Tift Regional Health System, Inc. d/b/a Tift Regional Medical Center**

Purchase of Two Symbia EVO Excel Nuclear Cameras  
**Request received:** 12/16/2025  
**Contact Person:** Tamara Branch  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2025158 Trinity Health Georgia, Inc. d/b/a St. Mary's Health Care System**

Acquisition of a PET/CT  
**Request received:** 12/29/2025  
**Contact Person:** Jeremy Herring, CRA, CHFP, FACHE  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2025159 Cobb Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Cobb Medical Center**

Acquisition of da Vinci Surgical Equipment  
**Request received:** 12/30/2025  
**Contact Person:** James Satcher  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026001 Savannah Health Services, LLC d/b/a Memorial Health University Medical**

Acquisition of a Biplane Angiography System  
**Request received:** 1/5/2026  
**Contact Person:** Andrew Little  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026002 Women's Imaging Specialists - Gwinnett, LLC**

Acquisition of MRI

**Request received:** 1/6/2026

**Contact Person:** Susan Dugger

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026003 Heart and Vascular Care, Inc.**

Acquisition of a Cardiac PET/CT System

**Request received:** 1/6/2026

**Contact Person:** Everette B Jenkins

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026004 PREventClinic, Inc.**

Acquisition of a CT Scanner

**Request received:** 1/6/2026

**Contact Person:** David Montgomery, MD

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026005 Cartersville Medical Center, LLC**

Acquisition of CT Scanner

**Request received:** 1/7/2026

**Contact Person:** Christine MacEwen

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026006 Piedmont Cartersville Medical Center, LLC**

Acquisition of MRI

**Request received:** 1/7/2026

**Contact Person:** Christine Ryan MacEwen

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026007 Emory University d/b/a Emory University Hospital**

Acquisition of IR Lab Equipment

**Request received:** 1/7/2026

**Contact Person:** Zeljka Matasic

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026008 Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Inc.,**

Acquisition of Cardiac Cath Equipment

**Request received:** 1/7/2026

**Contact Person:** Linda Berger

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026009 Piedmont Newnan Hospital, Inc.**

Acquisition of MRI

**Request received:** 1/8/2026

**Contact Person:** Christine MacEwen

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026010 Douglas Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Douglas Medical Center**

Acquisition of CT Scanner

**Request received:** 1/12/2026

**Contact Person:** James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026011 Paulding Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Paulding Medical Center**

Acquisition of Interventional Radiology Equipment-Philips Azurion 7M20

**Request received:** 1/12/2026

**Contact Person:** James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026012 Douglas Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Douglas Medical Center**

Acquisition of MRI

**Request received:** 1/12/2026

**Contact Person:** James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026013 Upson County Hospital, Inc dba Upson Regional Medical Center**

Acquisition of MRI and CT Scanner

**Request received:** 1/12/2026

**Contact Person:** Daniel Owens

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026014 Heart and Vascular Care, Inc.**

Acquisition of a Cardiovascular PET/CT System

**Request received:** 1/13/2026

**Contact Person:** Everette B Jenkins

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026015 University Cancer & Blood Center, LLC**

Acquisition of Mobile PET/CT Scanner

**Request received:** 1/14/2026

**Contact Person:** Kathryn MT Platt

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026016 Saint Joseph's Hospital of Atlanta, Inc. d/b/a Emory Saint Joseph's**

Acquisition of Electrophysiology Unit

**Request received:** 1/15/2026

**Contact Person:** Jennifer Goodman

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026017 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Forsyth**

Acquisition of MRI

**Request received:** 1/16/2026

**Contact Person:** Robert Rozier

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026018 Georgia Spine and Orthopaedics**

Acquisition of MRI

**Request received:** 1/20/2026

**Contact Person:** Michele Madison

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026019 Douglas Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Douglas Medical Center**

Acquisition of a Cardiac Catheterization Equipment Purchase

**Request received:** 1/21/2026

**Contact Person:** James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026020 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Gwinnett**

Acquisition of PET/CT Mobile Edition

**Request received:** 1/22/2026

**Contact Person:** Robert Rozier

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026021 Emory University d/b/a Emory University Hospital**

Emory University Hospital da Vinci Replacements and Additions

**Request received:** 1/23/2026

**Contact Person:** Zeljka Matasic

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026022 EHCA Johns Creek, LLC d/b/a Emory Johns Creek Hospital**

Emory Johns Creek Hospital da Vinci Replacements

**Request received:** 1/23/2026

**Contact Person:** Yuri Innis

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026023 Saint Joseph's Hospital of Atlanta, Inc. d/b/a Emory Saint Joseph's**

Emory Saint Joseph's Hospital da Vinci Replacements and Additions

**Request received:** 1/23/2026

**Contact Person:** Noelia Sills

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026024 DeKalb Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Emory Hillandale Hospital**

Emory Hillandale Hospital da Vinci Replacement

**Request received:** 1/23/2026

**Contact Person:** Lorry Lewis

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026025 DeKalb Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Emory Decatur Hospital**

Emory Decatur Hospital da Vinci Replacement and Addition

**Request received:** 1/23/2026

**Contact Person:** Jen Schuck

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026026 AU Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar MCG Health**

Acquisition of da Vinci Surgical Equipment

**Request received:** 1/23/2026

**Contact Person:** James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026027 Kennestone Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Kennestone Regional Medical**

Acquisition of da Vinci Surgical Equipment

**Request received:** 1/23/2026

**Contact Person:** James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026028 Wellstar North Fulton Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar North Fulton Medical**

Acquisition of da Vinci Surgical Equipment

**Request received:** 1/23/2026

**Contact Person:** James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026029 Piedmont Heart Institute, Inc.**

Acquisition of PET Scanner

**Request received:** 1/23/2026

**Contact Person:** Christine MacEwen

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

**Date of Withdrawal:** 2/13/2026

**DET-EQT2026030 Fayette Community Hospital, Inc. dba Piedmont Fayette Hospital**

Acquisition of Linear Accelerator

**Request received:** 1/23/2026

**Contact Person:** Christine MacEwen

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026031 Piedmont Henry Hospital, Inc.**

Acquisition of CT Scanner

**Request received:** 1/23/2026

**Contact Person:** Christine MacEwen

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026032 Southeastern Regional Medical Center, Inc.**

Replacement of PET/CT Scanner

**Request received:** 1/27/2026

**Contact Person:** Victor Moldovan

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026033 Savannah Health Services, LLC d/b/a Memorial Health University Medical**

Acquisition of Interventional Guided Imaging System for Hybrid OR

**Request received:** 1/27/2026

**Contact Person:** Andrew Little

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026034 Amera Imaging (Georgia) LLC**

Acquisition of a MRI

**Request received:** 1/29/2026

**Contact Person:** Ronald Zagoria, M.D.

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026035 Upson County Hospital, Inc dba Upson Regional Medical Center**

Acquisition of Carto 3 EP Mapping System

**Request received:** 2/5/2026

**Contact Person:** Sue Mangum

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026037 Piedmont Newnan Hospital, Inc. dba Piedmont Newnan Hospital**

Replacement CT Scanner

**Request received:** 2/10/2026

**Contact Person:** Christine MacEwen

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026038 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Cherokee**

Acquisition of da Vinci Surgical Unit

**Request received:** 2/11/2026

**Contact Person:** Robert Rozier

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026039 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Gwinnett**

Acquisition of da Vinci Surgical Robot

**Request received:** 2/11/2026

**Contact Person:** Robert Rozier

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026040 Emory University d/b/a Emory University Hospital**

Emory University Hospital Siemens MRI Unit Replacement

**Request received:** 2/11/2026

**Contact Person:** Zeljka Matasic

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026041 St. Mary's Hospital, Inc.**

St Mary's Heart Heart and Vascular Interventional Radiology Services Expansion

**Request received:** 2/12/2026

**Contact Person:** Jeremy Herring, CRA, CHFP, FACHE

**Determination:** Pending

## **Requests for DET–ASC for Establishment of Physician-Owned Ambulatory Surgery Facilities**

*(Formerly: Requests for LNR for Establishment of Physician-Owned Ambulatory Surgery Facilities)*

**DET-ASC2025015 OrthoAtlanta, LLC**

Piedmont Orthopedics Surgery Center - Perimeter, LLC

**Site:** 3100 Interstate North Circle, Ste 500, Atlanta, GA 30339

**Number of OR's:** 5                   **Specialty:** Orthopedic Surgery

**Project costs as submitted:** \$8,973,801.00

**Request received:** 11/4/2025

**Contact Person:** Michael Ochal

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-ASC2025016 Pinnacle Orthopaedics & Sports Medicine Specialists, LLC**

DET-ASC Request for Addition of Operating Room

**Site:** 300 Tower Road, Marietta, GA 30060

**Number of OR's:** 3                   **Specialty:** Orthopaedics

**Project costs as submitted:** \$1,496,000.00  
**Request received:** 11/20/2025  
**Contact Person:** Robert Threlkeld, Esq.  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET-ASC2025017 Consultants in Pain Medicine, LLC**  
Establishment of Single Specialty ASC  
**Site:** 310 Eisenhower Drive, Bldg 7B, Savannah, GA 31406  
**Number of OR's:** 1      **Specialty:** Pain Medicine  
**Project costs as submitted:** \$765,822.00  
**Request received:** 11/21/2025  
**Contact Person:** Robert C. Threlkeld, Esq.  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET-ASC2025018 Dermatology Specialists of West Georgia, PC**  
Single Specialty Joint Venture ASC  
**Site:** 109 Professional Place, Carrollton, GA 30117  
**Number of OR's:** 2      **Specialty:** Dermatology  
**Project costs as submitted:** \$6,059,000.00  
**Request received:** 12/29/2025  
**Contact Person:** Kathlynn Butler  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET-ASC2026001 Georgia Pain and Wellness Center, LLC d/b/a Summit Spine & Joint Centers**  
Establish a Single Specialty Ambulatory Surgery Center  
**Site:** 8 Wheeler Street, Savannah GA 31405  
**Number of OR's:** 1      **Specialty:** Pain Medicine  
**Project costs as submitted:** \$982,754.66  
**Request received:** 1/14/2026  
**Contact Person:** Susan C Atkinson  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET-ASC2026002 Jonathan Woolfson, M.D., P.C.**  
Establish a Single Specialty Ambulatory Surgery Center  
**Site:** 800 Mount Vernon Hwy, Ste 120, Atlanta, GA 30328  
**Number of OR's:** 2      **Specialty:** Ophthalmology  
**Project costs as submitted:** \$3,198,300.00  
**Request received:** 1/15/2026  
**Contact Person:** Victor Moldovan  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET-ASC2026003 Georgia Pain and Wellness Center, LLC d/b/a Summit Spine & Joint Centers**  
Establish a Single Specialty Ambulatory Surgical Center  
**Site:** 1111 Glynco Pkwy, Bldg I, Ste 25, Brunswick, GA 31525  
**Number of OR's:** 1      **Specialty:** Pain Medicine  
**Project costs as submitted:** \$1,332,264.00  
**Request received:** 2/13/2026  
**Contact Person:** Susan Atkinson  
**Determination:** Pending

## **Requests for Miscellaneous Letters of Determination**

**DET2024246 Middle Georgia Midwives**  
Establishment of Birthing Center  
**Request received:** 12/18/2024  
**Contact Person:** Ashley Amos, CNM  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2025159 Surgery Center of Rome, L.P.**

Conversion from Ambulatory Surgery Center to Hospital Outpatient Department

**Request received:** 10/14/2025

**Contact Person:** Jeff Prusia

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 1/23/2026

**DET2025168 Paulding Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Paulding Medical Center**

Hospital GI/Endoscopy Lab Renovations

**Request received:** 10/27/2025

**Contact Person:** James Satcher

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 1/21/2026

**DET2025169 Wellstar Sylvan Grove Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Sylvan Grove Medical**

Wellstar Sylvan Grove Outpatient Rehabilitation Relocation

**Request received:** 10/27/2025

**Contact Person:** James Satcher

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 1/21/2026

**DET2025170 Grady Memorial Hospital Corporation d/b/a Grady Health System**

Renovations of Existing Space Within Clinic

**Request received:** 10/28/2025

**Contact Person:** Mike McCarthy

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 1/21/2026

**DET2025171 East Georgia Regional Medical Center, LLC**

Renovation

**Request received:** 10/30/2025

**Contact Person:** Ivy Kurgan

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 2/3/2026

**DET2025172 Kennestone Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Kennestone Regional Medical Center**

Hospital OR Expansion

**Request received:** 10/31/2025

**Contact Person:** James Satcher

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 1/30/2026

**DET2025174 Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Inc.**

Increase in Hospital Bed Capacity

**Request received:** 10/31/2025

**Contact Person:** Linda Berger

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 2/11/2026

**DET2025177 Adventist Health Systems Georgia, Inc. D/B/A AdventHealth Murray Hospital**

New Medical Office Building

**Request received:** 11/17/2025

**Contact Person:** Daniel Monahan

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2025178 Treutlen County Nursing Home, LLC d/b/a Treutlen County Health and**

Addition And Renovation Of Existing Skilled Nursing Facility

**Request received:** 11/19/2025

**Contact Person:** Kim Sheffield

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 1/23/2026

**DET2025179 Kennestone Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Windy Hill Hospital**

Room Renovations

**Request received:** 11/20/2025

**Contact Person:** James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2025180 Adventist Health System Georgia, Inc. d/b/a AdventHealth Gordon**

Increase In Hospital Bed Capacity

**Request received:** 11/20/2025

**Contact Person:** Daniel J. Monahan  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2025181 Saint Joseph's Hospital of Atlanta, Inc. d/b/a Emory Saint Joseph's Hospital**

Renovation of Hospital Cafe

**Request received:** 11/21/2025

**Contact Person:** Jennifer Goodman

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 1/21/2026

**DET2025182 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Atlanta**

Construct Two Shared Operating Rooms And Associated Space

**Request received:** 11/21/2025

**Contact Person:** Robert Rozier

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 1/28/2026

**DET2025183 Elbert Memorial Hospital**

Restoration of Former ICU Space

**Request received:** 11/24/2025

**Contact Person:** Tyler Taylor

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 2/2/2026

**DET2025185 Hamilton Medical Center, Inc.**

Cardiac Catheterization Lab Renovation

**Request received:** 12/1/2025

**Contact Person:** Sandy McKenzie

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2025187 Fairview Park, Limited Partnership d/b/a Fairview Park Hospital**

Reallocation Of Medical-Surgical Beds

**Request received:** 12/3/2025

**Contact Person:** Daniel Monahan

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2025188 Doctors Hospital of Augusta, LLC d/b/a Doctors Hospital of Augusta**

Reallocation Of Medical-Surgical Beds

**Request received:** 12/3/2025

**Contact Person:** Daniel Monahan

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2025189 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Gwinnett**

Relocation Of Existing Inpatient Beds On Primary Campus

**Request received:** 12/5/2025

**Contact Person:** Robert Rozier

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2025190 Hospital Authority of Colquitt County d/b/a Colquitt Regional Medical Center**

Renovation and Expansion For a New Patient Tower

**Request received:** 12/11/2025

**Contact Person:** Bill Bishop

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2025191 Nephrology Management ASC – GKHC, LLC**

Establishment Of A CON Exempt Vascular ASC

**Request received:** 12/18/2025

**Contact Person:** Kathryn MT Platt

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2025192 Dodge County Hospital Authority d/b/a Dodge County Hospital**

Add Four Inpatient Adult (Geriatric) Psychiatric Beds

**Request received:** 12/23/2025

**Contact Person:** Michael Purvis

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2025194 Georgia Department of Veterans Service**

Classroom Addition - Georgia War Veterans Nursing Home

**Request received:** 12/29/2025

**Contact Person:** Russell Feagin

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026001 East Georgia Regional Medical Center, LLC**

Conversion of ERCP Room to Multi-Use Treatment Room

**Request received:** 1/2/2026

**Contact Person:** Ivy Kurgan

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026003 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Atlanta**

Capital Expenditure to Relocate CPM

**Request received:** 1/6/2026

**Contact Person:** Robert Rozier

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026004 Douglas Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Douglas Medical Center**

Move of Hospital Outpatient Department

**Request received:** 1/12/2026

**Contact Person:** James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026005 Emory University d/b/a Emory University Hospital**

Renovation of Inpatient ORs 18 and 19

**Request received:** 1/12/2026

**Contact Person:** Zeljka Matasic

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026006 Piedmont Healthcare Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital of Newnan,**

Increase in Hospital Bed Capacity

**Request received:** 1/13/2026

**Contact Person:** Susan Lyerly

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026007 Encompass Health Walton Rehabilitation Hospital, LLC**

Increase in Hospital Bed Capacity

**Request received:** 1/13/2026

**Contact Person:** Susan Lyerly

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026008 Fairview Park, Limited Partnership d/b/a Fairview Park Hospital**

Renovation of Existing Clinical Laboratory

**Request received:** 1/14/2026

**Contact Person:** Shelly Harrell

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026009 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Gwinnett**

Modification of CON Projects

**Request received:** 1/16/2026

**Contact Person:** Robert Rozier

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026010 Specialty Orthopaedics Surgery Center, LLC**

Expansion of Existing ASC from Four Operating Rooms to Six and Additional Pre-Post Op Bays

**Request received:** 1/16/2026

**Contact Person:** John Vachtsevanos, MD

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026011 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a/ Northside Hospital Atlanta**

Capital Expenditure to Renovate Space

**Request received:** 1/16/2026

**Contact Person:** Robert Rozier

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026012 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Forsyth**

Capital Expenditure to Renovate Space

**Request received:** 1/16/2026

**Contact Person:** Robert Rozier

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026013 Kennestone Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Kennestone Regional Medical Center**

Expansion of Family Waiting Room and Relocation of Retail Pharmacy

**Request received:** 1/21/2026

**Contact Person:** James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026014 Savannah Health Services, LLC d/b/a Memorial Health University Medical**

Conversion of an Existing OR into a Hybrid OR

**Request received:** 1/27/2026

**Contact Person:** Andrew Little

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026015 Douglas Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Douglas Medical Center**

Wellstar Douglas ED Expansion

**Request received:** 1/28/2026

**Contact Person:** James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026016 Mountain HHA LLC d/b/a Mountain Home Health**

Mountain Home Health Transfer Forsyth County to Bridgeway Home Health

**Request received:** 2/3/2026

**Contact Person:** Everette B Jenkins

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026017 Upson County Hospital, Inc dba Upson Regional Medical Center**

Infusion Center Renovation

**Request received:** 2/5/2026

**Contact Person:** Daniel Owens

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026018 Candler Hospital, Inc.**

Addition of Two Shared Operating Rooms

**Request received:** 2/9/2026

**Contact Person:** Brad Trower

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026019 Candler Hospital, Inc.**

Renovate Emergency Department

**Request received:** 2/9/2026

**Contact Person:** Brad Trower

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026020 St. Mary's Hospital, Inc.**

St. Mary's Heart and Vascular Interventional Radiology Services Expansion

**Request received:** 2/12/2026

**Contact Person:** Jeremy Herring

**Determination:** Pending

## **Requests for Extended Implementation/Effective Period**

**2024016 Cartersville Medical Center, LLC d/b/a Piedmont Cartersville Medical Center**

Bed Expansion

Request to Extend Implementation Period

**Site:** 960 Joe Frank Harris Parkway, Cartersville (Bartow)

**Project Approved:** 8/19/2024  
**Request Received:** 1/6/2026  
**Contact:** Lori Rakes, CEO (470-490-1881)  
**Approved Cost:** \$17,500,000  
**Determination:** Approved, 2/4/2026

**Extended Mandatory Implementation:** August 19, 2026

## **Need Projection Analyses Posted *12/17/2025***

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

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

2030 Non-Special MRT Need Projection – Posted 12/17/2025

2030 PET Need Projection – Posted 12/17/2025

2030 Ambulatory Surgical Services Need Projection by HPA– Posted 10/1/2025

2030 Inpatient Physical Rehabilitation Need Projections – Posted 10/1/2025

2030 Neonatal Intermediate Care Bed Need Projection – Posted 10/1/2025

2030 Neonatal Intensive Care Bed Need Projection – Posted 10/1/2025

2030 Obstetric Services Bed Need Projection – Posted 10/1/2025

2028 Nursing Home Bed Need Projection – Posted 10/1/2025

2028 Home Health Agency Services Need Projection - Posted 10/1/2025

#### [Non-Batched Need Projections](#)

2030 Long Term Care Hospital Beds – Posted 5/2/2025

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**

Required Annual Surveys are available to individual facilities for completion and submission to the Department at <https://www.georgiahealthdata.info>.

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

Effective June 17, 2022, the updated Georgia CON Application Form, available at <https://dch.georgia.gov/con-applications-and-forms>, must be used to submit a request for a Certificate of Need.

### **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). **In-person filings are no longer accepted.**

All forms must be submitted electronically through the Department's website at <https://dch.georgia.gov/office-health-planning-applications-and-requests-forms-0>.

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.

### **Instructions for Organization of Appendices**

**Appendices** in the application must be separated by **dividing sheets** upon submission to the Office of Health Planning.

For Appendices with multiple documents, each document in that specific appendix must be separated by a **light-colored** dividing sheet containing the name of the document which follows the dividing sheet.

These instructions are listed on Page iv of the CON application form. Compliance with these instructions is required pursuant to Rule 111-2-2-.06(2).

### **Determining Completeness**

Please note the completeness requirements for all applications may be found at Rule 111-2-2-.06(5). Expired, deficient, or invalid information will not be accepted as documentation for the purposes of deeming an application complete.

## Batching Review

The below reviewable CON services are grouped for review into quarterly Batching Cycles. These Batching Cycles and the related services, generally, 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, Obstetrical Services	September	October	November
WINTER	PET, Mega Voltage Radiation Therapy, Pediatric Cath/Open Heart, Adult Open Heart	December	January	February
SPRING	Home Health, Skilled Nursing Facilities, Intermediate Care Facilities, Perinatal Service, Inpatient Rehabilitation, Ambulatory Surgery, Obstetrical Services	March	April	May
SUMMER	PET, Mega Voltage Radiation Therapy, Pediatric Cath/Open Heart, Adult Open Heart	June	July	August

### **Batching Notifications— Posted 12/17/2025 on DCH Website** Winter Batching Review Cycle Notifications

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

[Positron Emission Tomography](#)

[MegaVoltage Radiation Therapy](#)

[Pediatric Cath/Open Heart](#)

[Adult Open Heart](#)

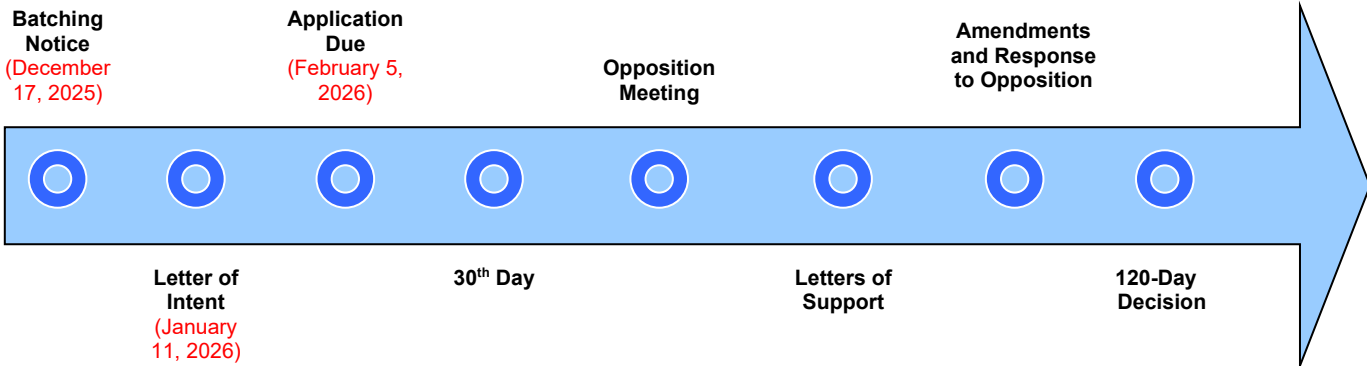
Need Projections can be found on the [“OHP Need Projections” Page](#)

# BATCHED APPLICATIONS

## SEQUENCE OF CERTIFICATE OF NEED APPLICATION REVIEW ACTIVITIES

Notice of the specific deadlines for each review activity will be provided for each application.

### WINTER CYCLE



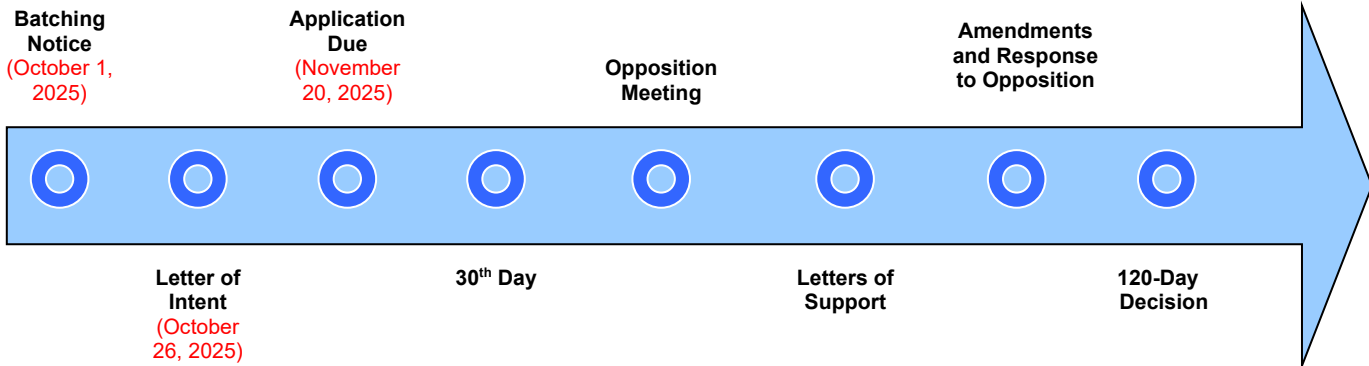
- ▶ **Batching Notice issued 25 days before Letter of Intent is due**
- ▶ **Letter of Intent received by Department 25 days before application is submitted**
- ▶ **Applications submitted; review cycle begins**
- ▶ **30<sup>th</sup> Day; deadline for receipt of opposition notice(s)**
- ▶ **Opposition Meeting; opposing parties must provide written statement of opposition arguments presented to the Department and to the applicant; presentation time will be limited.**
- ▶ **Applicant submits letters of support to the Department**
- ▶ **Applicant provides amended information, a written response to opposition and a written response to the Department's inquiries subsequent to the opposition meeting, if applicable.**
- ▶ **120-Day Decision issued (No discretion to extend review cycle)**

# BATCHED APPLICATIONS

## SEQUENCE OF CERTIFICATE OF NEED APPLICATION REVIEW ACTIVITIES

Notice of the specific deadlines for each review activity will be provided for each application.

### FALL CYCLE

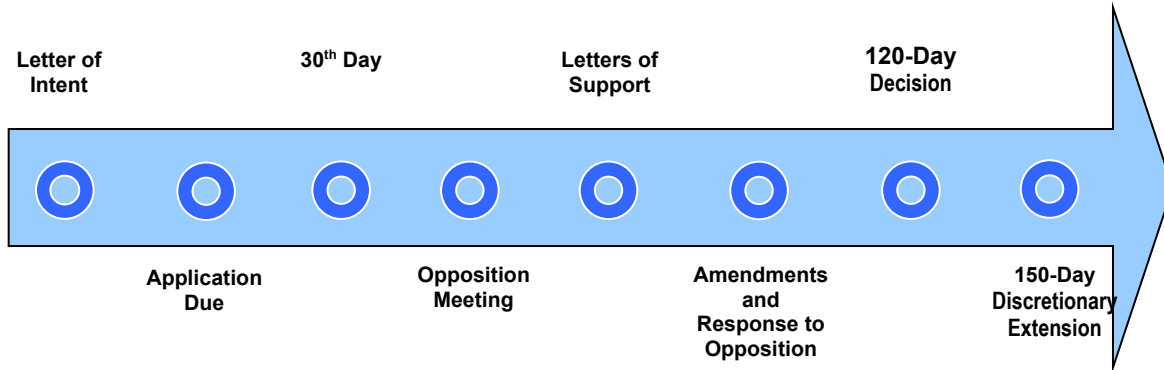


- ▶ Batching Notice issued 25 days before Letter of Intent is due
- ▶ Letter of Intent received by Department 25 days before application is submitted
- ▶ Applications submitted; review cycle begins
- ▶ 30<sup>th</sup> Day; deadline for receipt of opposition notice(s)
- ▶ Opposition Meeting; opposing parties must provide written statement of opposition arguments presented to the Department and to the applicant; presentation time will be limited.
- ▶ Applicant submits letters of support to the Department
- ▶ Applicant provides amended information, a written response to opposition and a written response to the Department's inquiries subsequent to the opposition meeting, if applicable.
- ▶ 120-Day Decision issued (No discretion to extend review cycle)

# NON-BATCHED APPLICATIONS

## SEQUENCE OF CERTIFICATE OF NEED APPLICATION REVIEW ACTIVITIES

Notice of the specific deadlines for each review activity will be provided for each application.



- ▶ Letter of Intent received by Department 25 days before application is submitted
- ▶ Application submitted; review cycle begins
- ▶ 30<sup>th</sup> Day; deadline for receipt of opposition notice(s)
- ▶ Opposition Meeting; opposing parties must provide written statement of opposition arguments presented to the Department and to the applicant; presentation time will be limited.
- ▶ Applicant submits letters of support to the Department.
- ▶ Applicant provides amended information, a written response to opposition and a written response to the Department's inquiries subsequent to the opposition meeting, if applicable.
- ▶ 120-day Decision issued (Department has discretion to extend review cycle to 150 days).

## Office of Health Planning Contact Information

Karesha Laing, Executive Director, Office of Health Planning,  
Georgia Department of Community Health, 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, East Tower, 16th Floor,  
Atlanta, GA 30334  
([klainq@dch.ga.gov](mailto:klainq@dch.ga.gov))

For questions concerning pending Certificate of Need applications please contact Bruce Henderson, Compliance Specialist Supervisor  
([bhenderson@dch.ga.gov](mailto:bhenderson@dch.ga.gov))

For questions concerning Health Planning surveys and indigent and charity care commitment shortfalls please contact Steve Cappel, Data Manager  
([steve.cappel@dch.ga.gov](mailto:steve.cappel@dch.ga.gov))

For all other CON-related questions, please email [OHP.Help@dch.ga.gov](mailto:OHP.Help@dch.ga.gov).

## Letters of Determination, generally

The Department will require that a determination request be submitted for any proposed activity that may be exempt under O.C.G.A. § 31-6-1 et seq. Such requests will be accepted only on the Department's form with the required filing fee of \$500.00. Requests for confirmation of the exemption for equipment below the threshold will be accepted only on the applicable form and will also require a \$500.00 filing fee. Note: Requests for confirmation of the exemptions for a single specialty ambulatory surgical center or a joint venture ambulatory surgical center below the threshold require a \$500.00 filing fee.

## 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.

## 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 contact Steve Cappel, Data Manager, at [steve.cappel@dch.gov](mailto:steve.cappel@dch.gov). 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.

## Open Record Requests

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

<https://dch.georgia.gov/divisionsoffices/office-health-planning/certificate-need-con>

The ORR Form found there should 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 <https://forms.dch.georgia.gov/HFRD/> 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.

## DET Review, generally

Pursuant to the Department's adoption of the Facility Guidelines Institute 2018 physical plant updates on April 15, 2018, effective August 1, 2018, the Office of Health Planning will no longer engage in the review or issuance of letters of determination regarding the applicability of the CON laws to those freestanding facilities seeking to perform procedures outside of either an operating room environment or a dedicated non-sterile endoscopy room as they categorically do not meet the definition of a reviewable ambulatory surgical or obstetrical facility.

## DET-ASC Requests

**Effective March 14, 2022**, the Ambulatory Surgical Center Determination Form available at <https://dch.georgia.gov/con-applications-and-forms> must be used to submit a request for a letter of determination for the establishment of an ambulatory surgical center (DET-ASC, formerly request for letter of non-reviewability for establishment of an ambulatory surgical center (LNR-ASC)).

### CERTIFICATE OF NEED APPEAL PANEL

David C. Will  
(Chair, appointed on December 21, 2023)

William C. Joy  
(Reappointed on January 28, 2021)

Carl P. Dowling  
(Appointed on February 22, 2023)

Ronald E. Daniels  
(Appointed on September 5, 2023)

Oliver Wendell Horne, III  
(Appointed on December 21, 2023)

## NOTICE REGARDING HB 1339

HB 1339, which revises the Certificate of Need (CON) process and adds several new exemptions, was signed by Governor Kemp on April 19, 2024. Beginning on July 1, 2024, the Office of Health Planning will accept requests for letters of determination for the new exemptions. A request for a letter of determination must also be submitted for any activity which is believed to be excluded from review prior to its implementation. Updated request forms will be available for use on July 1, 2024.

While the Office of Health Planning cannot give legal advice, general CON-related questions or inquiries, may be sent to: [OHP.Help@dch.ga.gov](mailto:OHP.Help@dch.ga.gov).

More information on HB 1339 is available here: <https://www.legis.ga.gov/legislation/67221>

## IMPORTANT NOTICE RELATED TO REQUESTS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE APPEAL

Effective September 1, 2022, all requests for an initial administrative appeal hearing or to intervene in such a hearing, related documents and filings must be submitted electronically through the Office of Health Planning's web portal. The Office of Health Planning is longer accepting in-person filings. Please refer to the Notice Related to Electronic Filings below.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE RELATED TO ELECTRONIC FILINGS

Effective March 31, 2022, all *Office of Health Planning* applications and requests must be submitted electronically through our web portal. We are no longer accepting in-person filings. If you need to submit a document for which a web form is currently unavailable, please timely mail your submission to:

**Department of Community Health  
Office of Health Planning  
2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, East Tower, 16th Floor  
Atlanta, GA 30334**

The web portal may be accessed here: <https://dch.georgia.gov/office-health-planning-applications-and-requests-forms-0>

## IMPORTANT NOTICE RELATED TO RECENTLY ADOPTED RULES

The following rules have been adopted by the Board of Community Health and implemented by the Georgia Secretary of State, effective December 30, 2024.

**111-2-1-.02 Health Planning Functions of the Department**

The above may be accessed here: <https://rules.sos.ga.gov/GAC/111-2-1>

The following rules have been adopted by the Board of Community Health and implemented by the Georgia Secretary of State, effective January 13, 2025.

**111-2-2 Health Planning, Certificate of Need**

The above may be accessed here: <https://rules.sos.ga.gov/GAC/111-2-2>

**IMPORTANT NOTICE RELATED TO FILING FEE**

Effective January 13, 2025, amendments to Ga. Comp Rules & Regs. r. 111-2-2 increased the filing fee for all determination requests from \$250 to \$500. The amended rules may be accessed here:

<https://rules.sos.ga.gov/GAC/111-2-2>