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# Office of Health Planning



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## ***CERTIFICATE OF NEED***

# Tracking And Appeals Report

***April 7, 2021 – April 13, 2021***

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**IMPORTANT NOTICES**

## Letters of Intent

none

## Letters of Intent – Batching

none

## Expired Letters of Intent

none

## Withdrawn CON Applications

none

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none

## Pending Review/Incomplete Applications

none

## Pending Review/Complete Applications

### 2020-038 American Health Imaging Stand Up MRI

American Health Imaging Stand Up MRI

**OPPOSITION FILED**

**Filed: 12/9/2020 Deemed Complete: 12/22/2020**

**60th Day Deadline: 2/19/2021**

**Decision Deadline: 4/20/2021**

**Site:** 6590 Powers Ferry Road NW, GA 30339 (Fulton County)

**Contact:** Scott W. Arant 404-296-5887

**Estimated Cost:** \$1,318,750

### 2021-001 Piedmont Rockdale Hospital

Addition of 23 Inpatient Beds

**Filed: 1/11/2021 Deemed Incomplete: 1/22/2021 Deemed Complete: 2/2/2021**

**60th Day Deadline: 4/2/2021**

**Decision Deadline: 6/1/2021**

**Site:** 1412 Millstead Avenue, Conyers, GA 30012 (Rockdale County)

**Contact:** Blake Watts, Exec. Dir. Operations 770-918-3755

**Estimated Cost:** \$13,291,416

### 2021-002 Townsend Park Health and Rehabilitation

Replacement of Facility

**Filed: 1/20/2021 Deemed Complete: 2/3/2021**

**60th Day Deadline: 4/3/2021**

**Decision Deadline: 6/2/2021**

**Site:** 196 North Dixie Avenue, Cartersville, GA 30120 (Bartow County)

**Contact:** Stelling Nelson 478-986-7484

**Estimated Cost:** \$11,677,157

### 2021-003 Northside Hospital Cherokee

Add 4 Shared Operating Rooms

**Filed: 1/20/2021 Deemed Complete: 2/3/2021**

**60th Day Deadline: 4/3/2021**

**Decision Deadline: 6/2/2021**

**Site:** 450 Northside Cherokee Blvd, Canton, GA 30115 (Cherokee County)

**Contact:** Brian Toporek 404-851-6821

**Estimated Cost:** \$17,506,202

**2021-004 Piedmont Athens Regional Medical Center**

Addition of 68 Short-Stay General Hospital Beds

**Filed:** 2/10/2021 **Deemed Complete:** 2/24/2021

**60th Day Deadline:** 4/24/2021

**Decision Deadline:** 6/23/2021

**Site:** 1199 Prince Avenue, Athens, GA 30606 (Clarke County)

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

**Estimated Cost:** \$41,608,024

**2021-006 Wellstar Cobb Hospital**

Establish Mobile PET Service - [Batching](#)

**Filed:** 2/16/2021 **Deemed Complete:** 2/16/2021

**60th Day Deadline:** 4/16/2021

**Decision Deadline:** 6/15/2021

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

**Contact:** April Austin 470-644-0057

**Estimated Cost:** \$145,000

**2021-007 Wellstar North Fulton Hospital**

Establish CyberKnife Radiation Therapy Service - [Batching](#)

**Filed:** 2/16/2021 **Deemed Complete:** 2/16/2021

**60th Day Deadline:** 4/16/2021

**Decision Deadline:** 6/15/2021

**Site:** 3000 Hospital Boulevard, Roswell, GA 30076 (Fulton County)

**Contact:** April Austin 470-644-0057

**Estimated Cost:** \$10,427,668

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

Establish Non-Special MegaVoltage Radiation Therapy Service - [Batching](#)

**Filed:** 2/16/2021 **Deemed Complete:** 2/16/2021

**60th Day Deadline:** 4/16/2021

**Decision Deadline:** 6/15/2021

**Site:** Parcel ID: MS75000019 000, Statesboro, GA 30458 (Bulloch County)

**Contact:** Brad Trower 912-819-6557

**Estimated Cost:** \$18,138,218

**2021-009 Wellstar Paulding Hospital**

Add Second Linear Accelerator - [Batching](#)

**Filed:** 2/16/2021 **Deemed Complete:** 2/16/2021

**60th Day Deadline:** 4/16/2021

**Decision Deadline:** 6/15/2021

**Site:** 2518 Jimmy Lee Smith Parkway, Hiram, GA 30141 (Paulding County)

**Contact:** April Austin 470-644-0057

**Estimated Cost:** \$10,463,665

**2021-010 South Georgia Center for Cancer Care**

Add Linear Accelerator - [Batching](#)

**Filed:** 2/16/2021 **Deemed Complete:** 2/16/2021

**60th Day Deadline:** 4/16/2021

**Decision Deadline:** 6/15/2021

**Site:** 27 Lester Road, Statesboro, GA 30458 (Bulloch County)

**Contact:** Christa Newton 615-467-7417

**Estimated Cost:** \$5,806,822

**2021-012 UCBC Radiation - Lavonia**

Establish Non-Special MegaVoltage Radiation Therapy Service - [Batching](#)

**Filed:** 2/16/2021 **Deemed Complete:** 2/16/2021

**60th Day Deadline:** 4/16/2021

**Decision Deadline:** 6/15/2021

**Site:** Clear Creek Pkwy and Ralph Owens Pkwy, Lavonia, GA 30553 (Franklin County)

**Contact:** Loretta Goodson 706-353-5016

**Estimated Cost:** \$10,493,245

**2021-013 American Health Imaging of Canton**

Addition of a Second MRI Unit

**Filed:** 3/12/2021 **Deemed Complete:** 3/26/2021

**60th Day Deadline:** 5/24/2021

**Decision Deadline:** 7/23/2021

**Site:** 100 Liberty Boulevard, Suite 100, Canton, GA 30114 (Cherokee County)

**Contact:** Scott W. Arant, Chief Executive Officer 404-296-5887

**Estimated Cost:** \$1,271,000

**2021-014 Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Inc.**

Construct New Tower on Main Campus

**Filed:** 3/24/2021 **Deemed Complete:** 4/7/2021

**60th Day Deadline:** 6/5/2021

**Decision Deadline:** 8/4/2021

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

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

**Estimated Cost:** \$700,000,000

## Recently Approved Applications

**2020-034 Wellstar Kennestone Hospital**

Expand Neonatal Intensive Care Service (Level III) - [Batching](#)

**Filed:** 11/17/2020 **Deemed Complete:** 11/17/2020

**60th Day Deadline:** 1/15/2021

**Decision Deadline:** 3/16/2021

**APPROVED:** 3/16/2021

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

**Contact:** April Austin, Manager, Strategic Planning 470-644-0057

**Estimated Cost:** \$264,000

**2020-035 Rehabilitation Hospital of Atlanta**

Establish 40-Bed Freestanding Comprehensive Inpatient Physical Rehabilitation Program - [Batching](#)

**Filed:** 11/17/2020 **Deemed Complete:** 11/17/2020

**60th Day Deadline:** 1/15/2021

**Decision Deadline:** 3/16/2021

**APPROVED:** 3/16/2021

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

**Contact:** Christine Macewen, Executive Director, Corporate D 404-425-1307

**Estimated Cost:** \$22,000,000

**2020-036 Rehabilitation Hospital of Columbus**

Establish a 40-Bed Freestanding Comprehensive Inpatient Physical Rehabilitation Program - [Batching](#)

**Filed:** 11/17/2020 **Deemed Complete:** 11/17/2020

**60th Day Deadline:** 1/15/2021

**Decision Deadline:** 3/16/2021

**APPROVED:** 3/16/2021

**Site:** 8301 Veterans Parkway, Columbus, GA 31909 (Muscookee County)

**Contact:** Christine Macewen, Executive Director, Corporate D 404-425-1307

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

**2020-037 American Health Imaging of Savannah**

CT Scanner Acquisition

**OPPOSITION FILED**

**Filed:** 11/18/2020 **Deemed Incomplete:** 12/1/2020 **Deemed Complete:** 12/2/2020

**60th Day Deadline:** 1/30/2021

**Decision Deadline:** 3/31/2021

**APPROVED: 3/31/2021**

**Site:** 30 Janet Drive, Suite 101, Savannah, GA 31405 (Chatham County)

**Contact:** Stephen Janis, Chief Development Officer 404-296-5887

**Estimated Cost:** \$386,250

## Recently Denied Applications

none

## Appealed Determinations

**DET2019-050 Kennestone Hospital, Inc. d/b/a WellStar Windy Hill (“WellStar Windy Hill”)** Request for Letter of Determination received on 3/15/2019, regarding a determination that existing beds would revert back to short-stay beds upon relinquishment of its Medicare certification as a long-term care hospital.

**Agency Decision:** Denied on 8/21/2019.

**Appealed:** WellStar Windy Hill filed request for Administrative Appeal on 09/19/2019. Emory University d/b/a Emory University Hospital Smyrna and Saint Joseph’s Hospital of Atlanta, Inc. d/b/a Emory Saint Joseph’s Hospital (collectively “Emory”) filed notice of intent to participate in and intervene in WellStar Windy Hill’s administrative hearing, 9/19/2019.

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

**Hearing Date:** N/A

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer denied WellStar Windy Hill’s Motion for Summary Adjudication and affirmed the Department’s 8/21/2019 determination, 10/2/2020. WellStar Windy Hill requests Commissioner Review, 11/2/2020.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Affirmed Hearing Officer’s 10/2/2020 decision to deny WellStar Windy Hill’s Motion for Summary Adjudication, 12/1/2020. WellStar Windy Hill filed Petition for Judicial Review, 12/31/2020.

**DET-EQT2020032 CHI Memorial Hospital-Georgia, Inc. (“Memorial”)** Request for Equipment Letter of Determination received on 4/13/2020, regarding the acquisition of a Siemens Magnetom Aera 1.5T MRI and a Siemens AS64 Eco CT scanner.

**Agency Decision:** Approved on 6/11/2020

**Appealed:** Battlefield Imaging, LLC (“BI”) filed Request for Administrative Appeal on 7/6/2020. BI filed Request for Stay of Determination Pending Administrative Appeal on 7/30/2020.

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

**Hearing Date:** N/A

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer denied BI’s Motion for Summary Adjudication; granted Memorial’s Motion for Summary Adjudication; granted the Department’s Motion for Summary Adjudication, 11/6/2020. BI requested Commissioner Review, 12/9/2020.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Affirmed Hearing Officer’s 11/6/2020 decision denying BI’s Motion for Summary Adjudication, granting the Department’s and Memorial’s Motions for Summary Adjudication, and affirming the Department’s 6/11/2020 determination, 1/5/2021.

**DET2020-113 Adventist Health System Georgia, Inc. d/b/a AdventHealth Gordon (“AdventHealth”)** Request for Letter of Determination received on 5/13/2020, regarding the performance of therapeutic cardiac catheterization procedures.

**Agency Decision:** Approved on 7/15/2020

**Appealed:** Hamilton Medical Center, Inc. (“Hamilton”) filed Request for Administrative Appeal on 8/13/2020.

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

**Hearing Date:** N/A

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer denied Hamilton’s Request for Administrative Appeal; granted AdventHealth’s Motion for Summary Adjudication; affirmed the Department’s 7/15/2020 determination, 12/10/2020. Hamilton filed a Request for Commissioner Review 1/11/2021.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Affirms the December 10, 2020 decision of the Hearing Officer denying Hamilton’s Request for Appeal, granting Adventist’s Motion for Summary Adjudication and affirming the Department’s determination letter approving Adventist’s request to offer therapeutic cardiac catheterization services, 2/8/2021. Hamilton files Petition for Judicial Review, 3/10/21.

**DET2020-161 Greene County Health Care, LLC dba Greene Point Health and Rehabilitation** Request for Letter of Determination received on 7/15/2020, regarding the relocation of 50 SNF beds within the same county.

**Agency Decision:** Denied on 9/11/2020

**Appealed:** Greene County Healthcare, LLC d/b/a Greene Point Health and Rehabilitation filed Request for Administrative Appeal Hearing on 10/19/2020.

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

**Hearing Date:** Pending

**DET-EQT2020-052 The Multiple Sclerosis Center of Georgia, Inc.** Request for Letter of Determination received on 8/24/2020, regarding the acquisition of a GE Healthcare HDXT MRI with a CXK4 magnet.

**Agency Decision:** Denied on 12/16/2020

**Appealed:** The Multiple Sclerosis Center of Georgia ("MSCG") filed Request for Administrative Appeal Hearing on 1/14/2021.

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

**Hearing Date:** Pending

**DET-EQT2020-070 AU Medical Associates, Inc.** Request for Letter of Determination received on 9/30/2020, regarding the acquisition of a mobile 2005 GE 1.5T Signa Excite MRI.

**Agency Decision:** Denied on 12/28/2020

**Appealed:** AU Medical Associates, Inc. ("AUMA") filed Request for Administrative Appeal Hearing on 1/25/2021.

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

**Hearing Date:** Pending

## Appealed LNRs

### **LNR-ASC2017022 Georgia Arrhythmia Consultants and Research Institute, LLC**

Requested Letter of Non-Reviewability ("LNR") with regard to the establishment of an ambulatory surgery center ("ASC") in Macon, Bibb County.

**Agency Decision:** Request was denied 3/6/2018.

**Appealed:** Georgia Arrhythmia Consultants and Research Institute, LLC ("GACRI") filed a request for Administrative Appeal on 3/29/18.

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

**Hearing Date:** 10/29/2018 and 10/30/2018.

### **LNR-ASC2018022 Georgia Arrhythmia Consultants & Research Institute, LLC**

Single Specialty Cardiology Electrophysiology ASC

**Agency Decision:** Request was denied 11/14/2019.

**Appealed:** Georgia Arrhythmia Consultants and Research Institute, LLC ("GACRI") filed a request for Administrative Appeal on 12/6/2019.

**Hearing Officer:** Dr. L. Lynn Hogue, J.D.

**Hearing Date:** 9/15-17/2020, 9:30 A.M. / Remote Video Conference

**Hearing Decision:** Department's decision to deny GACRI's LNR affirmed, 1/28/21. GACRI files for Commissioner Review, 2/24/2021.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Affirms Hearing Officer's 1/28/2021 decision to deny GACRI's appeal and affirm the Department's decision to deny GACRI's LNR-ASC request, 3/29/2021.

### **LNR-ASC2019009 Northside Hospital, Inc and Phys Owners of Gwinnett Surgery Center, LLC**

Requested Letter of Non-Reviewability ("LNR") with regard to the establishment of a joint venture ambulatory surgery center ("JV ASC") in Lawrenceville, Gwinnett County.

**Agency Decision:** Request was denied 10/7/19.

**Appealed:** Northside Hospital, Inc. ("Northside") and Northside Gwinnett Surgical Associates, LLC ("NGSA") filed a request for Administrative Appeal on 10/29/19. DCH filed Motion for Remand, 1/16/2020; Hearing Officer granted DCH's remand motion, 1/28/2020. Remand decision denying request issued on 3/12/2020.

**Hearing Officer:** Dr. L. Lynn Hogue, J.D.

**Hearing Date:** Pending

## Appealed CON Projects

**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 filed on 5/13/2016. Application for Discretionary Review granted on 6/8/2016. Court of Appeals reverses ruling of Superior Court, 2/14/2018. Court of Appeals affirms the Superior Court's decision upholding the Department's decision, 4/30/2019. Doctors Hospital files Notice of Intention to Petition for Writ of Certiorari, requesting the Supreme Court review the April 30, 2019 Court of Appeals decision, 5/10/2019. Court of Appeals affirms the Superior Court's decision upholding the Department's decision, 8/20/2020.

**Supreme Court:** Petition for Writ of Certiorari granted, judgment of the Court of Appeals vacated, and case remanded for reconsideration, 12/23/19. Doctors Hospital files Petition for Writ of Certiorari, requesting the Supreme Court review the 8/20/2020 Court of Appeals decision, 9/9/2020.

## **2016-019 Emory University Hospital Smyrna (Cobb)**

Renovation & Upgrade to Current Hospital Facilities

**Agency Decision:** Approved, 8/4/2016

**Appealed By:** Cobb Hospital, Inc. d/b/a WellStar Cobb Hospital ("WellStar Cobb"), 9/2/2016 and Kennestone Hospital, Inc. d/b/a WellStar Kennestone Hospital ("WellStar Kennestone").

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

**Hearing Date:** 3/27/2017

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer affirmed the Department's decision to award a CON to EUH-Smyrna, 7/5/17. WellStar Cobb and WellStar Kennestone filed for Commissioner Review, 8/2/2017.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Affirmed Hearing Officer's decision to award CON to EUH-Smyrna, 8/30/17. Wellstar Cobb and Wellstar Kennestone filed Petition for Judicial Review; 9/29/17.

**Superior Court Decision:** Superior Court denies WellStar's Petition for Judicial Review, 2/13/2018.

**Court of Appeals:** WellStar Cobb and WellStar Kennestone filed an Application for Discretionary Appeal, 3/16/2018.

Affirms the Superior Court's judgment denying WellStar's petition for judicial review, 3/13/2019

WellStar Cobb and WellStar Kennestone (collectively "WellStar") filed Notice of Intention to Petition for Writ of Certiorari, 3/25/2019. WellStar Cobb Hospital and WellStar Kennestone Hospital's Petition for Writ of Certiorari filed in the Georgia Supreme Court, 4/2/2019. On remand, Court of Appeals affirms the Superior Court's judgment denying Wellstar's petition for judicial review, 10/26/2020.

**Supreme Court:** Petition for Writ of Certiorari granted, judgment reversed in part, and case remanded with direction, 12/23/19.

## **2018-008 Floyd Healthcare Management Inc dba Floyd Medical Center (Floyd)**

### **2018-009 Tanner Medical Center Carrollton (Carroll)**

### **2018-010 Hamilton Medical Center (Whitfield)**

Development of Adult Open Heart Surgery Service - Batching

**Agency Decision:** 2018-008 Denied, 6/25/2018; 2018-009 Denied, 6/25/2018; 2018-010

Denied, 6/25/2018

**Appealed By:** 2018-008 Applicant Floyd Healthcare Management, Inc. d/b/a Floyd Medical Center, 7/24/2018. Redmond Park Hospital, LLC d/b/a Redmond Regional Medical Center files request to intervene in Floyd's administrative appeal, 7/26/2018. 2018-009 Applicant Tanner Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Tanner Medical Center-Carrollton, "TMC", 7/23/2018. WellStar Kennestone Hospital ("Kennestone") files request to Intervene, 7/20/2018. 2018-010; Applicant Hamilton Medical Center, 7/24/2018.

**Hearing Officer:** 2018-008, 2018-009 and 2018-010 – William C. Joy, Esq. Hearing Officer denied Redmond's request to intervene, 9/27/2018. Commissioner denies Redmond's appeal of Hearing Officer's denial to intervene due to limited

review authority, 10/10/2018.

**Hearing Date:** 12/10,11,14/2018; 1/7-11/2019; 2/4-8/2019, 2/11-15/2019; 2/26/2019

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer affirms Department's decision denying CON Applications for 2018-008 (Floyd Medical Center), 2018-009 (Tanner Medical Center), 2018-010 (Hamilton Medical Center), 8/16/2019. Floyd requests Commissioner review 9/13/2019. Hamilton requests Commissioner review 9/16/2019. Tanner requests Commissioner review 9/16/2019. Redmond files renewed appeal to Commissioner on the denial of its request to Intervene, 9/16/2019

**Commissioner Review Decision:** On 10/15/19, Commissioner affirmed Hearing Officer's 8/16/19 decision to deny a CON to Floyd; reversed Hearing Officer's 8/16/19 decision to deny a CON to Tanner; reversed Hearing Officer's 8/16/19 decision to deny a CON to Hamilton; denied Redmond Regional Medical Center's Renewed Appeal to Commissioner Berry on the Denial of Its Request to Intervene. Redmond Regional Medical Center filed petitions for judicial review of the Final Order of the Commissioner in project numbers 2018-008, 2018-009, and 2018-010, 11/14/19. Floyd Medical Center filed Petition for Judicial Review of DCH's Final Order denying a CON to Floyd Medical Center for project no. 2018-008, 11/14/19. Redmond Regional Medical Center files Renewed Appeal to Commissioner Berry on Order of Remand, 5/7/2020. In Final Order on Remand, Commissioner ordered that the August 16, 2019, decision of the Hearing Officer to deny a CON to Floyd Healthcare Management, Inc., d/b/a Floyd Medical Center to establish an Adult Open Heart Surgery program is affirmed, 6/30/2020.

**Superior Court of Fulton County:** Grants Hamilton's and the Department's motions to dismiss Redmond's petition for judicial review. Dismissed with prejudice, 3/9/2020. Grants Floyd Medical Center's motion to dismiss Redmond's petition for judicial review. Dismissed with prejudice. 3/9/2020. Grants Tanner's and the Department's motions to dismiss Redmond's petition for judicial review. Dismissed with prejudice, 3/9/2020.

**Superior Court of Floyd County:** On Floyd Medical Center's appeal of the denial of its CON, the court remanded the matter to the Department for complete review of Floyd Medical Center's application, 4/14/2020. Floyd Medical Center filed Petition for Judicial Review of DCH's Final Order on Remand, 7/30/2020. Superior Court of Floyd County denied Floyd Medical Center's Petition for Judicial Review, 10/29/2020. Floyd Medical Center filed Application for Discretionary Appeal in the Georgia Court of Appeals, 11/30/2020.

**Court of Appeals:** Denies Floyd Medical Center's Application for Discretionary Appeal, 12/30/2020. Floyd Medical Center files Petition for Writ of Certiorari with the Supreme Court of Georgia, 1/19/2021.

#### **2018-072 Braselton ASC, LLC (Hall)**

#### **2018-073 Braselton Surgical Specialist Center, LLC ("BSSC") (Hall)**

2018-072 Establish Multi-Specialty Freestanding ASC with Four ORs and Two Procedure Rooms

2018073 Establish Multi-Specialty Freestanding ASC with Three ORs and One Procedure Room

**Agency Decision:** GA2018072 - Approved, 3/25/2019 GA2018073 - Denied, 3/25/2019.

**Appealed by:** Braselton Surgical Specialist Center, LLC ("BSSC"), 4/24/2019;

Piedmont Athens Regional Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Piedmont Athens Regional Medical Center ("Piedmont Athens"), 4/24/2019; Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Cherokee ("NHC"), 4/24/2019; Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Alpharetta Surgery Center ("NASC"), 4/24/2019. Piedmont Athens withdrew its Appeal of GA2018-072 on 11/7/19.

**Request to Intervene in 2018-072:** Braselton ASC, LLC ("Braselton ASC"), 4/24/2019.

**2018-073 denial:** Braselton Surgical Specialist Center, LLC ("BSSC") appeals the denial of their application, 2018073, 4/24/2019;

**Requests to Intervene in 2018-073:** Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Northeast Georgia Medical Center - Main Campus ("NGMC-Main Campus"), 4/24/2019; Braselton ASC, LLC ("Braselton ASC"), 4/24/2019; Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Northeast Georgia Medical Center-South Hall Campus ("NGMC-South Hall Campus"), 4/24/2019; NGMC Barrow, LLC d/b/a Northeast Georgia Medical Center-Barrow ("NGMC-Barrow"), 4/24/2019; Piedmont Athens Regional Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Piedmont Athens Regional Medical Center ("Piedmont Athens"), 4/24/2019. Piedmont Athens withdrew Request to Intervene 11/7/19.

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

**Hearing Date:** 6/16-18-2021, 9:30 A.M. / Remote Video Conference

#### **2019-037 Vision Imaging Center (Thomas)**

Development of a Freestanding Advanced Diagnostic Imaging Center or DTRC

**Agency Decision:** Approved, 2/25/2020

**Appealed By:** John D. Archbold Memorial Hospital ("Archbold"), 3/24/2020

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

**Hearing Date:** 9/1/2020, 9/2-4/2020, 10:00 A.M.; 9/18/2020, 9 A.M. / Remote Video Conference

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer affirms Department's decision to grant Vision Imaging Center, LLC a CON, 12/28/2020. Archbold files for Commissioner Review, 1/26/2021.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Affirmed Hearing Officer's 12/28/2020 decision to grant a CON to Vision Imaging Center, LLC, 2/26/2021.



**Superior Court of Thomas County:** Archbold files Petition for Judicial Review, 3/26/2021.

**2019-045 Cartersville Medical Center, LLC (Bartow)**

New Service to Include 4 Neonatal Intermediate Care Beds - Batching

**Agency Decision:** Denied, 3/24/2020

**Appealed By:** Cartersville Medical Center, LLC d/b/a Cartersville Medical Center ("CMC"), 3/26/2020. Floyd Healthcare Management, Inc. d/b/a Floyd Medical Center submitted request to intervene in the hearing, 4/21/2020.

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

**Hearing Date:** 9/29/2020-10/2/2020, 9:30 A.M. / Remote Video Conference

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer affirms Department's decision to deny CMC a CON, 1/4/2021. CMC files for Commissioner Review, 2/3/2021.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Reverses Hearing Officer's 1/4/2021 decision to deny CMC a CON and grants approval of GA Project CON 20190-045, 3/5/2021.

**Superior Court of Floyd County:** Floyd Healthcare Management, Inc. files Petition for Judicial Review of Commissioner's Final Order, 4/2/2021.

**2020-002 Doctors Hospital of Augusta, LLC (Columbia)**

Construction of Freestanding Emergency Department

**Agency Decision:** Approved, 6/1/2020

**Appealed By:** AU Medical Center, Inc. ("AUMC"), 6/22/2020; University Health Services, Inc. ("University"), 6/30/2020

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

**Hearing Date:** 3/8-12/2021, 9:30 A.M. / Remote Video Conference

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer reverses the Department's decision to grant a CON to Doctors Hospital of Augusta, LLC, 12/8/2020. Doctors Hospital of Augusta, LLC d/b/a Doctors Hospital of Augusta ("Doctors") requests Commissioner Review, 12/21/2020. The Department requests Commissioner Review, 1/7/2021.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Reverses Hearing Officer's 12/8/2020 decision granting AUMC's Motion for Summary Determination or In The Alternative For Remand; remands the matter to the Department to resume proceedings before a Hearing Officer consistent with the CON Administrative Hearing process, 2/5/2021.

**2020-003 Coliseum Medical Centers (Houston)**

Construction of Freestanding Emergency Department

**Agency Decision:** Approved, 6/9/2020

**Appealed By:** The Medical Center of Central Georgia, Inc. d/b/a The Medical Center, Navicent Health ("The Medical Center"), 6/25/2020; The Medical Center of Peach County, Inc. d/b/a Medical Center of Peach County, Navicent Health ("Peach"), 6/25/2020; Houston Hospitals, Inc. d/b/a Houston Medical Center ("Houston"), 7/1/2020; Houston Hospitals, Inc. d/b/a Perry Hospital ("Perry Hospital"), 7/1/2020

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

**Hearing Date:** 11/9-10/2020, 11/12-13/2020, 9:30 A.M. / Remote Video Conference

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer reverses the Department's decision to grant a CON to Coliseum Medical Centers, 2/25/2021. Coliseum Medical Centers files for Commissioner Review, 3/26/2021. The Department requests Commissioner Review, 3/26/2021.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Pending

**2020-004 Savannah Health Services, LLC dba Memorial Health University Medical Ctr (Bryan)**

**2020-005 Savannah Health Services, LLC dba Memorial Health University Medical Ctr (Chatham)**

2020-004 Construction of Freestanding Emergency Department

2020-005 Construction of Freestanding Emergency Department

**Agency Decision:** 2020-004 Approved, 6/11/2020 2020-005 Approved, 6/8/2020

**Appealed By:** 2020-004 Candler Hospital, Inc. ("Candler"), 6/25/2020; St. Joseph's Hospital, Inc. ("St. Joseph's"), 6/25/2020; Hospital Authority of Liberty County d/b/a Liberty Regional Medical Center ("Liberty"), 6/26/2020. 2020-005 Candler Hospital, Inc. ("Candler"), 6/25/2020; St. Joseph's Hospital, Inc. ("St. Joseph's"), 6/25/2020; Effingham Hospital Inc. ("Effingham"), 6/29/2020.

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

**Hearing Date:** 1/19-22/2021, 1/25-28/2021, 9:30 A.M. / Remote Video Conference; Continued until further notice

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer grants St. Joseph's/Candler's Motion for Summary Adjudication and reverses DCH's award of CONs to Savannah Health Services, LLC d/b/a Memorial Health University Medical Ctr, 1/26/2021. Savannah Health Services, LLC d/b/a Memorial Health University Medical Ctr files for Commissioner Review, 2/25/2021.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Reverses Hearing Officer's 1/26/2021 decision granting SJC's Motion for Summary Adjudication; remands the matter to the Department to resume proceedings before a Hearing Officer consistent with the CON Administrative Hearing process, 3/26/2021.

**2020-014 University Cancer & Blood Center, LLC (Clarke)**

Add a PET/CT Unit to its Oncology Practice in Athens - Batching

**Agency Decision:** Approved, 6/16/2020

**Appealed By:** Piedmont Athens Regional Medical Center, Inc. ("Piedmont Athens"), 7/14/2020. University Cancer & Blood Center ("UCBC") submitted request to intervene in the hearing, 7/16/2020.

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

**Hearing Date:** 3/3-5/2021, 9:00 A.M. / Remote Video Conference

**Hearing Decision:** Pending

**2020-015 Northside Hospital Gwinnett (Gwinnett)**

Establish Hospital-Based Radiation Therapy Services on Campus - Batching

**Agency Decision:** Approved, 6/16/2020

**Appealed By:** Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Northeast Georgia Medical Center-Main Campus ("NGMC-Main Campus"), 7/14/2020; Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Northeast Georgia Medical Center-South Hall Campus ("NGMC-South Hall"), 7/14/2020; RCOG Cancer Centers, LLC d/b/a Gwinnett County Radiation Oncology Center - Lawrenceville ("RCOG-Lawrenceville"), 7/14/2020; RCOG Cancer Centers, LLC d/b/a Gwinnett County Radiation Therapy Center - Snellville ("RCOG-Snellville"), 7/14/2020; Vantage Cancer Centers of Georgia, LLC d/b/a Vantage Oncology Cancer Center at Lawrenceville ("Vantage-Lawrenceville"), 7/14/2020.

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

**Hearing Date:** 12/7-11/2020, 12/14-18/2020, 9:00 A.M. / Remote Video Conference

**Hearing Decision:** Pending

**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:** Opie D Bowen, Esq.

**Hearing Date:** Continued until further notice

**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.

**Hearing Officer:** D. Wright McLeod, Esq.

**Hearing Date:** Continued until further notice

**2020-025 United Imaging Center of Buckhead, LLC (Fulton)**

Proposed Freestanding Advanced Diagnostic Imaging Center in Fulton County

**Agency Decision:** Denied, 10/15/2020

**Appealed By:** United Imaging Centers of Buckhead, LLC d/b/a United Imaging Centers of Buckhead ("UIC Buckhead"), 11/10/2020. Pro Radiology, LLC ("Pro Radiology") filed Request to Intervene, 11/12/2020.

**Hearing Officer:** D. Wright McLeod, Esq.

**Hearing Date:** 4/19-23/2021, 8:30 A.M. / Remote Video Conference

**2020-026 United Imaging Center of Chamblee, LLC (Fulton)**

Proposed Freestanding Advanced Diagnostic Imaging Center in Cobb County

**Agency Decision:** Denied, 10/15/2020

**Appealed By:** United Imaging Centers of Chamblee, LLC d/b/a United Imaging Centers of Chamblee ("UIC Chamblee"), 11/10/2020. American Health Imaging of Georgia, LLC d/b/a American Health Imaging of Decatur ("AHI-Decatur") filed Request to Intervene, 11/12/2020.

**Hearing Officer:** D. Wright McLeod, Esq.  
**Hearing Date:** 4/19-23/2021, 8:30 A.M. / Remote Video Conference

**2020-027 United Imaging Center of Jonesboro, LLC (Clayton)**

Proposed Freestanding Advanced Diagnostic Imaging Center in Clayton County

**Agency Decision:** Denied, 10/16/2020

**Appealed By:** United Imaging Centers of Jonesboro, LLC d/b/a United Imaging Centers of Jonesboro (“UIC Jonesboro”), 11/10/2020. American Health Imaging of Georgia, LLC d/b/a American Health Imaging of Fayetteville (“AHI-Fayetteville”) filed Request to Intervene, 11/12/2020.

**Hearing Officer:** D. Wright McLeod, Esq.

**Hearing Date:** 4/19-23/2021, 8:30 A.M. / Remote Video Conference

**2020-028 United Imaging Center of Marietta (Cobb)**

Proposed Freestanding Advanced Diagnostic Imaging Center in Cobb County, SSTR-3

**Agency Decision:** Denied, 10/16/2020

**Appealed By:** United Imaging Centers of Marietta, LLC d/b/a United Imaging Centers of Marietta (“UIC Marietta”), 11/10/2020. American Health Imaging of Georgia, LLC d/b/a American Health Imaging of Marietta (“AHI-Marietta”) filed Request to Intervene, 11/12/2020.

**Hearing Officer:** D. Wright McLeod, Esq.

**Hearing Date:** 4/19-23/2021, 8:30 A.M. / Remote Video Conference

**2020-029 South Georgia Medical Center (Lowndes)**

Expand Hospital Bed Capacity by 45 beds

**Agency Decision:** Denied, 10/26/2020

**Appealed By:** Hospital Authority of Valdosta and Lowndes County Georgia d/b/a South Georgia Medical Center (“SGMC”), 11/24/2020.

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

**Hearing Date:** 5/25-27/2021, 9:00 A.M. / Remote Video Conference

**2020-031 Vest Monroe, LLC (Walton)**

Additional 23 Adult Psychiatric/Substance Abuse Beds – Batching

**Agency Decision:** Approved, 12/18/2020

**Appealed By:** UHS of Anchor, L.P. d/b/a Southern Crescent Behavioral Health System (“Anchor”) and UHS of SummitRidge, LLC d/b/a SummitRidge Hospital (“SummitRidge”), 1/14/2021.

**Hearing Officer:** William D. Taylor, III, Esq.

**Hearing Date:** 5/10-12/2021, 9:00 A.M. / Remote Video Conference

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

**DET-EQT2020037 Macon Orthopaedic and Hand Center, PA**

Purchase Fixed MRI

**Request received:** 5/8/2020

**Contact Person:** Victor Moldovan

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2020085 Columbus Ambulatory Healthcare Services d/b/a Columbus Regional**

Purchase Fixed CT Scanner

**Request received:** 10/30/2020

**Contact Person:** Allen Holladay

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2021001 Fayette Community Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Piedmont Fayette Hospital**

Purchase Robotic Arm System

**Request received:** 1/20/2021

**Contact Person:** Christine MacEwen

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 3/22/2021

**DET-EQT2021002 Emory University d/b/a Emory University Hospital**

Purchase Fixed MRI  
**Request received:** 1/21/2021  
**Contact Person:** Michael Barber  
**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed    **Determination Date:** 3/22/2021

**DET-EQT2021003 Vidalia Health Services, LLC**  
Purchase Fixed MRI  
**Request received:** 1/25/2021  
**Contact Person:** Joseph R. Ross  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2021004 Grady Health System**  
Purchase Interventional Radiology Equipment  
**Request received:** 1/28/2021  
**Contact Person:** Mike McCarthy  
**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed    **Determination Date:** 3/29/2021

**DET-EQT2021005 The Medical Center Inc., d/b/a Piedmont Columbus Regional Midtown**  
Purchase Fixed CT Scanner  
**Request received:** 2/1/2021  
**Contact Person:** Christine MacEwen  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2021006 Piedmont Hospital Inc., d/b/a Piedmont Atlanta Hospital**  
Purchase Fixed CT Scanner  
**Request received:** 2/2/2021  
**Contact Person:** Christine MacEwen  
**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed    **Determination Date:** 4/5/2021

**DET-EQT2021007 Piedmont Hospital Inc., d/b/a Piedmont Atlanta Hospital**  
Purchase Fixed CT Scanner  
**Request received:** 2/15/2021  
**Contact Person:** Christine MacEwen  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2021008 East Georgia Regional Medical Center, LLC**  
Purchase Cardiac Cath Lab Equipment  
**Request received:** 2/16/2021  
**Contact Person:** Ryan Kerr  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2021009 Argus Medical, LLC**  
Purchase Mobile MRI  
**Request received:** 2/19/2021  
**Contact Person:** Mihaela Ille  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2021010 Urology of Greater Atlanta, LLC**  
Purchase Fixed CT Scanner  
**Request received:** 2/24/2021  
**Contact Person:** Cheris L Craig MBA FACMPE  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2021011 Hospital Authority of Valdosta and Lowndes County, Georgia d/b/a South**  
Purchase Fixed CT Scanner  
**Request received:** 3/1/2021  
**Contact Person:** Michele Madison  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2021012 Resurgens Orthopaedics**  
Purchase Fixed MRI  
**Request received:** 3/3/2021  
**Contact Person:** Keshia Colton

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2021013 Tift Regional Health System, Inc. d/b/a Southwell Medical**

Gift da Vinci Xi Surgical System

**Request received:** 3/3/2021

**Contact Person:** Chris Dorman

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 4/9/2021

**DET-EQT2021014 Arturo De La Torre, Hope Neurological and Medical Services**

Purchase Fixed MRI

**Request received:** 3/8/2021

**Contact Person:** Arturo De La Torre

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2021015 Hospital Authority of Wilkes County dba Wills Memorial Hospital**

Purchase Fixed CT Scanner

**Request received:** 3/12/2021

**Contact Person:** Tracie P. Haughey

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2021016 Hospital Authority of Wilkes County dba Wills Memorial Hospital**

Purchase Bone Density Machine

**Request received:** 3/12/2021

**Contact Person:** Tracie P. Haughey

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2021017 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Gwinnett**

Purchase Cardiac PET

**Request received:** 3/16/2021

**Contact Person:** Jeffrey Stofko

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2021018 Emory University d/b/a Emory University Hospital**

Purchase Fixed CT Scanner

**Request received:** 3/19/2021

**Contact Person:** Greg Pennington

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2021019 Emory University d/b/a Emory University Hospital**

Purchase Fixed CT Scanner

**Request received:** 3/19/2021

**Contact Person:** Michael Barber

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2021020 Peachtree Spine and Pain Physicians, LLC**

Purchase Fixed MRI

**Request received:** 3/23/2021

**Contact Person:** Kathryn MT Platt

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2021021 Southeastern Regional Medical Center**

Lease Surgical Robot

**Request received:** 3/24/2021

**Contact Person:** Victor Moldovan

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2021022 Piedmont Hospital Inc., d/b/a Piedmont Atlanta Hospital**

Purchase Fixed MRI and Fixed CT Scanner

**Request received:** 3/24/2021

**Contact Person:** Christine MacEwen

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2021023 Peachtree Orthopaedic Clinic**

Purchase Fixed MRI

**Request received:** 3/25/2021

**Contact Person:** Kevin Deter

**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-ASC2020002 Hughston Surgical Center of Valdosta, LLC**

Physician-Owned, Single Specialty ASC

**Site:** 4340 Kings Way, Valdosta, GA 31602

**Number of ORs:** 2      **Specialty:** Orthopedics

**Project costs as submitted:** \$4,238,556.47

**Request received:** 11/11/2020

**Contact Person:** Victor Moldovan 404-898-8120

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-ASC2020006 Southeast Eye Laser Surgery Center LLC**

Physician-Owned, Single Specialty ASC

**Site:** 3215 Shrine Road, Suite 8, Brunswick, Georgia 31520

**Number of ORs:** 3      **Specialty:** Ophthalmology

**Project costs as submitted:** \$1,733,743.00

**Request received:** 12/15/2020

**Contact Person:** Neil Hoffman 404-873-8594

**Determination:** Approved      **Determination Date:** 3/15/2021

**DET-ASC2021001 Medici Medical Arts, LLC**

Physician-Owned, Single Specialty ASC

**Site:** 792 Church Street, Marietta, Georgia 30060

**Number of ORs:** 1      **Specialty:** Orthopedic Surgery

**Project costs as submitted:** \$611,650.00

**Request received:** 1/6/2021

**Contact Person:** Everette B. Jenkins

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-ASC2021002 Medici Medical Arts, LLC**

Physician-Owned, Single Specialty ASC

**Site:** 2220 Wisteria Drive, Snellville, Georgia 30078

**Number of ORs:** 2      **Specialty:** Orthopedic Surgery

**Project costs as submitted:** \$0.00

**Request received:** 1/6/2021

**Contact Person:** Everette B. Jenkins 678-625-4720

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-ASC2021003 Hamilton Orthopedic Surgery Center, LLC**

Joint Venture, Single Specialty ASC

**Site:** 1104 Professional Boulevard, Dalton, Georgia 30720

**Number of ORs:** 3      **Specialty:** Orthopedic Surgery

**Project costs as submitted:** \$6,366,211.00

**Request received:** 1/7/2021

**Contact Person:** Jason E. Bring 404-873-8162

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-ASC2021004 Southern Pain and Spine Associates, LLC**

Physician-Owned, Single Specialty ASC

**Site:** 601 Broad Street SE, Suite E, Gainesville, GA 30501

**Number of ORs:** 1      **Specialty:** Pain Management

**Project costs as submitted:** \$0.00  
**Request received:** 1/21/2021  
**Contact Person:** Gayle Evans  
**Determination:** Approved **Determination Date:** 3/24/2021

**DET-ASC2021005 Georgia Interventional Pain - I, LLC**  
Physician-Owned, Single Specialty ASC  
**Site:** 18 Riverbend Drive, S.W., Suite 120, Rome, GA 30161  
**Number of ORs:** 1 **Specialty:** Pain Medicine  
**Project costs as submitted:** \$406,663.00  
**Request received:** 2/12/2021  
**Contact Person:** Joseph R. Ross 912-232-7182  
**Determination:** Approved **Determination Date:** 4/12/2021

**DET-ASC2021006 Georgia Urology, P.A.**  
Physician-Owned, Single Specialty ASC  
**Site:** 100 Liberty Boulevard, Suite 200, Canton, GA 30114  
**Number of ORs:** 1 **Specialty:** Urology  
**Project costs as submitted:** \$989,500.00  
**Request received:** 2/16/2021  
**Contact Person:** Jason Shelnett 404-275-2221  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET-ASC2021007 CBP ASC, LLC**  
Physician-Owned, Single Specialty ASC  
**Site:** 8 Stephenson Avenue, Suite B, Savannah, GA 31406  
**Number of ORs:** 1 **Specialty:** Plastic Surgery  
**Project costs as submitted:** \$472,400.00  
**Request received:** 2/17/2021  
**Contact Person:** Joseph R. Ross 912-232-7182  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET-ASC2021008 Orthopaedic South Surgery Center, LLC (Resurgens)**  
Physician-Owned, Single Specialty ASC  
**Site:** 156 Foster Drive, McDonough, Henry County, GA 30253  
**Number of ORs:** 2 **Specialty:** Orthopedic Surgery  
**Project costs as submitted:** \$9,611,975.00  
**Request received:** 1/12/2021  
**Contact Person:** Victor Moldovan 404-898-8120  
**Determination:** Approved **Determination Date:** 3/19/2021

**DET-ASC2021010 Georgia Urology, P.A.**  
Physician-Owned, Single Specialty ASC  
**Site:** 11835 Alpharetta Highway, Suite A, Alpharetta, GA 30076  
**Number of ORs:** 1 **Specialty:** Urology  
**Project costs as submitted:** \$1,430,000.00  
**Request received:** 3/17/2021  
**Contact Person:** Jason Shelnett 404-275-2221  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET-ASC2021011 Thrive Orthopaedics ASC, LLC**  
Physician-Owned, Single Specialty ASC  
**Site:** 5775 Peachtree Dunwoody Road, Building C, Suite C-160, Atlanta, GA 30342  
**Number of ORs:** 2 **Specialty:** Orthopaedic Procedures  
**Project costs as submitted:** \$2,042,590.13  
**Request received:** 3/19/2021  
**Contact Person:** Joseph R. Ross 912-232-7182  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET-ASC2021012 PRC MD and Associates, Inc.**  
Physician-Owned, Single Specialty ASC

**Site:** 4650 Stone Mountain Highway, Lilburn, GA 30047  
**Number of ORs:** 1      **Specialty:** Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation  
**Project costs as submitted:** \$947,307.29  
**Request received:** 4/5/2021  
**Contact Person:** Everette Bailey Jenkins 678-625-4720  
**Determination:** Pending

## Requests for Miscellaneous Letters of Determination

### **DET2020191 Grady Health System**

Replacement of Interventional Radiology Equipment

**Request received:** 9/23/2020

**Contact Person:** Mike McCarthy

**Determination:** Pending

### **DET2020207 Piedmont Hospital Inc. d/b/a Piedmont Atlanta Hospital**

Replacement of CON Authorized PET/CT Scanner

**Request received:** 10/30/2020

**Contact Person:** Randy Sprinkle

**Determination:** Pending

### **DET2020231 Egleston Children's Hospital at Emory University, Inc.**

Replacement of Two CON-Approved Cardiac Catheterization Lab Units

**Request received:** 12/23/2020

**Contact Person:** David Fenstermacher

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 3/26/2021

### **DET2020233 Eastside Medical Center, LLC d/b/a Eastside Medical Center**

Reallocation of Medical/Surgical Beds to Comprehensive Physical Rehabilitation Beds

**Request received:** 12/30/2020

**Contact Person:** Persaud Rudolph

**Determination:** Pending

### **DET2021002 Floyd Healthcare Management, Inc., d/b/a Floyd Medical Center**

Surgery Department Renovations to Support Trauma Service

**Request received:** 1/16/2021

**Contact Person:** Drew Dempsey

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 3/16/2021

### **DET2021003 Floyd Healthcare Management Inc., d/b/a Floyd Medical Center**

Renovations to Third Floor Hospital Space

**Request received:** 1/16/2021

**Contact Person:** Drew Dempsey

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 3/16/2021

### **DET2021004 Piedmont Athens Regional Medical Center, Inc.**

Replace CON Approved Interventional Radiology Lab Equipment

**Request received:** 1/19/2021

**Contact Person:** Christine MacEwen

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 3/19/2021

### **DET2021005 Emory University d/b/a Emory University Hospital Midtown**

Upgrade and Replace Cardiac Cath Lab

**Request received:** 1/21/2021

**Contact Person:** Daniel Owens

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 3/22/2021

### **DET2021006 Emory University d/b/a Emory University Hospital Midtown**

Upgrade and Replace EP Lab

**Request received:** 1/21/2021

**Contact Person:** Daniel Owens

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 3/22/2021



**DET2021007 Fairview Park, Limited Partnership dba Fairview Park Hospital**  
Acquisition of Endoscopy Center  
**Request received:** 1/25/2021  
**Contact Person:** Joseph R. Ross  
**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 3/25/2021

**DET2021008 Vidalia Health Services, LLC**  
Acquisition of Hospital  
**Request received:** 1/25/2021  
**Contact Person:** Joseph R. Ross  
**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 3/25/2021

**DET2021009 Cartersville Medical Center, LLC**  
Add a Second Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory  
**Request received:** 1/26/2021  
**Contact Person:** Lori Rakes  
**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 3/26/2021

**DET2021010 Cartersville Medical Center, LLC**  
Hospital Renovation Including Cardiology, Pharmacy, and Materials Management  
**Request received:** 1/26/2021  
**Contact Person:** Lori Rakes  
**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 3/26/2021

**DET2021011 St. Mary's Hospital**  
Below Threshold Expenditures for Training Room  
**Request received:** 1/27/2021  
**Contact Person:** Janice Dunn  
**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 3/29/2021

**DET2021012 The Recovery Village Georgia, LLC**  
Establishment of Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Center  
**Request received:** 1/27/2021  
**Contact Person:** Josh Belinfante  
**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 3/29/2021

**DET2021013 Grady Health System**  
Equipment Relocation  
**Request received:** 1/28/2021  
**Contact Person:** Mike McCarthy  
**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 3/29/2021

**DET2021015 East Georgia Regional Medical Center, LLC**  
Nonclinical Expenditures  
**Request received:** 2/2/2021  
**Contact Person:** Ryan Kerr  
**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 4/5/2021

**DET2021016 Douglas Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Douglas Hospital**  
Expansion of Hospital Wound Care Center  
**Request received:** 2/11/2021  
**Contact Person:** April Austin  
**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 4/12/2021

**DET2021017 Church Home Rehabilitation and Healthcare, LLC**  
Kitchen and Dining Room Expansion  
**Request received:** 2/12/2021  
**Contact Person:** Glenn Smith  
**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 4/12/2021

**DET2021018 A.G. Rhodes Home - Cobb, Inc.**  
Renovation and Expansion of Existing Campus

**Request received:** 2/12/2021  
**Contact Person:** John Hicks  
**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 4/12/2021

**DET2021019 Chatuge Regional Hospital Inc.**  
Below Threshold Expenditure for PT & Life Safety Code Compliance  
**Request received:** 2/15/2021  
**Contact Person:** Marty Chafin  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021020 Cobb Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Cobb Hospital**  
Inpatient Burn Unit Renovations  
**Request received:** 2/19/2021  
**Contact Person:** April Austin  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021021 Fairview Park, Limited Partnership d/b/a Fairview Park Hospital**  
USP 800 Pharmacy Upgrades  
**Request received:** 2/19/2021  
**Contact Person:** Cindie M. Nobles, CPA  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021022 Greenleaf Center, LLC**  
10% Increase in Bed Capacity  
**Request received:** 2/22/2021  
**Contact Person:** Michelle Neville  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021023 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Gwinnett**  
Relocation of Infusion Services on NHG's Primary Campus  
**Request received:** 2/25/2021  
**Contact Person:** Jeffrey Stofko  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021024 Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Inc.**  
Relocation of Facilities Lines  
**Request received:** 2/26/2021  
**Contact Person:** Linda Berger  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021026 HP Monroe LLC DBA Hollander Senior Living of Monroe**  
Increase License Capacity from 50 to 70  
**Request received:** 3/1/2021  
**Contact Person:** Elliott Hollander  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021027 Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Inc.**  
24 Observation Beds  
**Request received:** 3/2/2021  
**Contact Person:** Linda Berger  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021028 Hospital Authority of Miller County d/b/s Miller County Hospital and Miller**  
Hospital Renovation  
**Request received:** 3/2/2021  
**Contact Person:** Robin A Rau  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021029 The Fountains of Calhoun**  
Establishment of Assisted Living and Memory Care Community  
**Request received:** 3/3/2021  
**Contact Person:** Craig Thomas  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021030 Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital of Savannah, Inc.**

10% Increase in Bed Capacity

**Request received:** 3/3/2021

**Contact Person:** Walter Smith

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021031 Limestone Heritage Properties, Inc.**

Facility Renovations

**Request received:** 3/4/2021

**Contact Person:** Aneel Gill

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021032 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Duluth**

Acquisition of MOB

**Request received:** 3/5/2021

**Contact Person:** Brian Toporek

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021033 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Atlanta**

Acquisition of MOB

**Request received:** 3/5/2021

**Contact Person:** Brian Toporek

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021034 Cobb Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Cobb Hospital**

HOD Renovations

**Request received:** 3/8/2021

**Contact Person:** April Austin

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021035 The Emory Clinic, Inc.**

Establish an Endoscopy Center

**Request received:** 3/9/2021

**Contact Person:** Mike Mason

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021036 Union General Hospital, Inc.**

Below Threshold Expenditure for Non-Clinical Project (Laundry & Storage Facility)

**Request received:** 3/9/2021

**Contact Person:** Marty Chafin

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021037 Southeast Georgia Health System, Inc. d/b/a Southeast Georgia Health System -**

Replacement of CON Approved MRI Unit

**Request received:** 3/11/2021

**Contact Person:** DelRia T. Baisden

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021038 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Gwinnett**

Relocation of Outpatient Services on Primary Campus

**Request received:** 3/11/2021

**Contact Person:** Jeffrey Stofko

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021039 Blue Ridge Georgia Hospital Company, LLC d/b/a Fannin Regional Hospital**

Renovation of Finishes and Millwork of an Existing E.R.

**Request received:** 3/11/2021

**Contact Person:** Lori Barker

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021040 Hospital Authority of Wilkes County dba Wills Memorial Hospital**

Relocation and Renovation of Laboratory

**Request received:** 3/12/2021

**Contact Person:** Tracie P. Haughey  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021041 Dawsonville Senior Center, LLC**  
New Construction of New Assisted Living Facility  
**Request received:** 3/12/2021  
**Contact Person:** Pamela Polley  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021042 Douglasville AL Investors, LLC**  
Douglasville AL Investors, LLC  
**Request received:** 3/15/2021  
**Contact Person:** Aubury Holmes  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021043 Coffee Regional Medical Center, Inc.**  
Construction of Infusion Center, Relocation of Administration, and Remodeling of Laboratory  
**Request received:** 3/15/2021  
**Contact Person:** Vicki Lewis  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021044 AOS Surgery Center**  
AOS Surgery Center Addition  
**Request received:** 3/15/2021  
**Contact Person:** John Franklin  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021045 Roosevelt Equities, LLC**  
Increase Licensed Capacity of Existing Personal Care Home  
**Request received:** 3/16/2021  
**Contact Person:** Dennis Stamey-Lucas  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021046 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Gwinnett**  
Request to Develop MOB  
**Request received:** 3/16/2021  
**Contact Person:** Jeffrey Stofko  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021047 Emory University d/b/a Emory University Hospital**  
CON DET EUH Cath Lab 1 Equipment Replacement  
**Request received:** 3/22/2021  
**Contact Person:** Luda Silva  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021048 Piedmont Hospital Inc., d/b/a Piedmont Atlanta Hospital**  
Development of Outpatient Services  
**Request received:** 3/24/2021  
**Contact Person:** Christine MacEwen  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021049 Tanner Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Tanner Medical Center - Carrollton**  
Below Threshold Expenditures for Administration and Conference Center  
**Request received:** 3/24/2021  
**Contact Person:** Carol Crews  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021050 Emory University d/b/a Emory University Hospital**  
Renovate Hospital and Create Winship Immediate Care Center at Emory University Hospital  
**Request received:** 3/25/2021  
**Contact Person:** Catherine Maloney  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021051 Georgia Health Operations LLC**

Establish a Drug Abuse Treatment and Education Program

**Request received:** 3/29/2021

**Contact Person:** Annie Gendaszek

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021052 Egleston Children's Hospital at Emory University, Inc.**

Replacement of Cardiac Catheterization Unit

**Request received:** 3/30/2021

**Contact Person:** David Fenstermacher

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021053 Miona Geriatric & Dementia Center, LLC**

Miona Isolation Wing

**Request received:** 3/30/2021

**Contact Person:** Ashton Windham

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021054 Southwell Ambulatory Inc**

Endoscopy Procedure Center

**Request received:** 3/30/2021

**Contact Person:** Christopher K. Dorman

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021055 Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Inc.**

Renovate Physician's Lounge in Gainesville

**Request received:** 4/1/2021

**Contact Person:** Linda Berger

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021056 Kennestone Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Kennestone Hospital**

Relocation of Hospital CT

**Request received:** 4/1/2021

**Contact Person:** April Austin

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021057 Coffee Regional Medical Center, Inc.**

Relocation of Endoscopy Suite and HIS Department

**Request received:** 4/2/2021

**Contact Person:** Vicki Lewis

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021058 The Hospital Authority of Jeff Davis County d/b/a Jeff Davis Hospital**

Renovation of Existing Hospital Facilities

**Request received:** 4/6/2021

**Contact Person:** Joseph R. Ross

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021059 Wellstar Sylvan Grove Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Sylvan Grove Hospital**

Hospital and Pharmacy Renovations

**Request received:** 4/8/2021

**Contact Person:** April Austin

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021060 Doctors Hospital of Augusta, LLC d/b/a Doctors Hospital of Augusta**

Change in Scope of CON-Approved Project

**Request received:** 4/9/2021

**Contact Person:** Terry Treadwell

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2021061 Hamilton Medical Center, Inc.**

Replace CON-Authorized MRI

**Request received:** 4/9/2021

**Contact Person:** Ernie Elemento  
**Determination:** Pending

## Requests for Extended Implementation/Effective Period

### **2018033 Grady General Hospital Nursing Home**

Develop a New 75-Bed Skilled Nursing Facility – Batching  
Request to Extend Performance Period

**Site:** 5th Street Parcels and 10th Ave, Cairo (Grady)

**Project Approved:** 9/22/2019

**Request Received:** 2/19/2021

**Contact:** James A. Carter, VP/COO (229-551-2676)

**Approved Cost:** \$19,001,091

**Determination:** Approved, 4/5/2021

**Extended Mandatory Completion:** May 23, 2022

### **2019039 Correct Life Bostick, LLC dba Bostick Nursing Center**

Construction of 150-Bed Annex – Batching  
Request to Extend Performance Period

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

**Project Approved:** 3/24/2020

**Request Received:** 2/25/2021

**Contact:** Aaron Minnifield, CEO (860-573-7459)

**Approved Cost:** \$17,484,947

**Determination:** Approved, 4/5/2021

**Extended Mandatory Completion:** October 28, 2022

### **2019030 Colquitt Regional Medical Center**

10-Bed Adult Acute Inpatient Psych/Sub Unit for Geriatric Patients – Batching  
Request to Extend Completion Date

**Site:** 3131 South Main Street, Moultrie (Colquitt)

**Project Approved:** 12/20/2019

**Request Received:** 3/11/2021

**Contact:** Dena Zinker, VP, CNO (229-891-9260)

**Approved Cost:** \$2,517,489

**Determination:** Approved, 4/5/2021

**Extended Mandatory Completion:** September 1, 2021

## Need Projection Analyses Posted **3/25/2021**

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

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

2025 Non-Special MRT Need Projection – Posted 12/18/2020

2025 PET Need Projection – Posted 12/18/2020

2025 Ambulatory Surgical Services Need Projection by HPA– Posted 3/25/2021

2025 Inpatient Physical Rehabilitation Need Projections – Posted 3/25/2021

2025 Neonatal Intermediate Care Bed Need Projection – Posted 3/25/2021

2025 Neonatal Intensive Care Bed Need Projection – Posted 3/25/2021

2025 Obstetric Services Bed Need Projection – Posted 3/25/2021

2023 Nursing Home Bed Need Projection – Posted 3/25/2021

2023 Home Health Agency Services Need Projection - Posted 3/25/2021, Revised 4/12/2021

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

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 [www.georgiahealthdata.info](http://www.georgiahealthdata.info).

## Indigent and Charity Care Shortfalls

### Facilities with Indigent and Charity Care Commitment Shortfalls for Most Recent 3 Years (Commitment status as of (4/13/2021))

Facility Name	County	Year	Shortfall Due	Service
ELO Outpatient Surgery Center	Bibb	2015	1,039.66	Ambulatory Surgery Center
GA Urology, PA Cobb Ambulatory Surgery Center	COBB	2014	14,433.70	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Georgia Pain Spine Center, LLC	COBB	2015	24,472.48	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Interventional Spine and Pain Management Ambulatory Surgical Center	Rockdale	2013	70,825.83	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Rome Endoscopy Ctr Inc, The	FLOYD	2014	92,083.32	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Rome Endoscopy Ctr Inc, The	FLOYD	2015	88,222.50	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Schulze Surgery Center, Inc.	Chatham	2013	4,838.07	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Schulze Surgery Center, Inc.	Chatham	2015	18,304.24	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Stephen Lober Plastic Surgery	CLARKE	2014	4,439.76	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Island Health Care	Chatham	2014	20,912.29	Home Health Agency
Island Health Care	Chatham	2015	46,002.33	Home Health Agency
Staff Builders Home Health	Gwinnett	2015	39,203.62	Home Health Agency
Suncrest Home Health	Fulton	2014	18,318.91	Home Health Agency
Suncrest Home Health	Fulton	2015	17,068.27	Home Health Agency

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.

## **NOTICE REGARDING 2021 REVISED HOME HEALTH SPRING BATCHING**

Following the issuance of the *Certificate of Need Batching Review Cycle Notification for Home Health Agencies* on March 25, 2021, the Department learned that data presented by a Home Health Agency in its annual survey, and relied upon by the Department in making its 2021 Home Health Spring Batching need calculations, were incorrect. This inaccurate data led to an incorrect determination that there was unmet numerical need for Home Health Services in State Service Delivery Region ("SSDR") 9.

As stated in the Department's rules, "the availability of accurate, current data is critical for adequate health planning and for the review process." Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. r. 111-2-2-.04. It is with this in mind that the Department issued a *Revised Certificate of Need Batching Review Cycle Notification for Home Health Agencies* on April 12, 2021 using the most current survey data as authorized under Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. r. 111-2-2-.32(3). The revised notice indicates there is no unmet numerical need for Home Health Services in SSDR 9. Therefore, the Department will not accept applications for this service based on numerical need. The Department will, however, accept applications for Home Health Services based on exceptions to the need methodology referenced in Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 111-2-2-.32(3)(c).

The Department understands that this required revision may inconvenience some prospective applicants but trust that those applicants concur with the overarching need to maintain the integrity of the batching process and are able to pursue an application based on an exception to numerical need where appropriate.



# **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). **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 original application document as well as the copies, must be separated by **lettered tabs** upon submission with 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 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, Obstetrical Services	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, Obstetrical Services	March	April	May
SUMMER	PET, Mega Voltage Radiation Therapy, Pediatric Cath/Open Heart, Adult Open Heart, Psych/Substance Abuse, Birthing Centers	June	July	August

### **Batching Notifications— Posted 3/25/2021 on DCH Website** Spring 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, facilities, or expenditures for which there is no specified batching cycle, or other applicable rule, may be filed at any time.

[Home Health](#)

[Skilled Nursing Facilities/Intermediate Care Facilities](#)

[Ambulatory Surgery](#)

[Obstetrical Services](#)

[Neonatal Intensive Care](#)

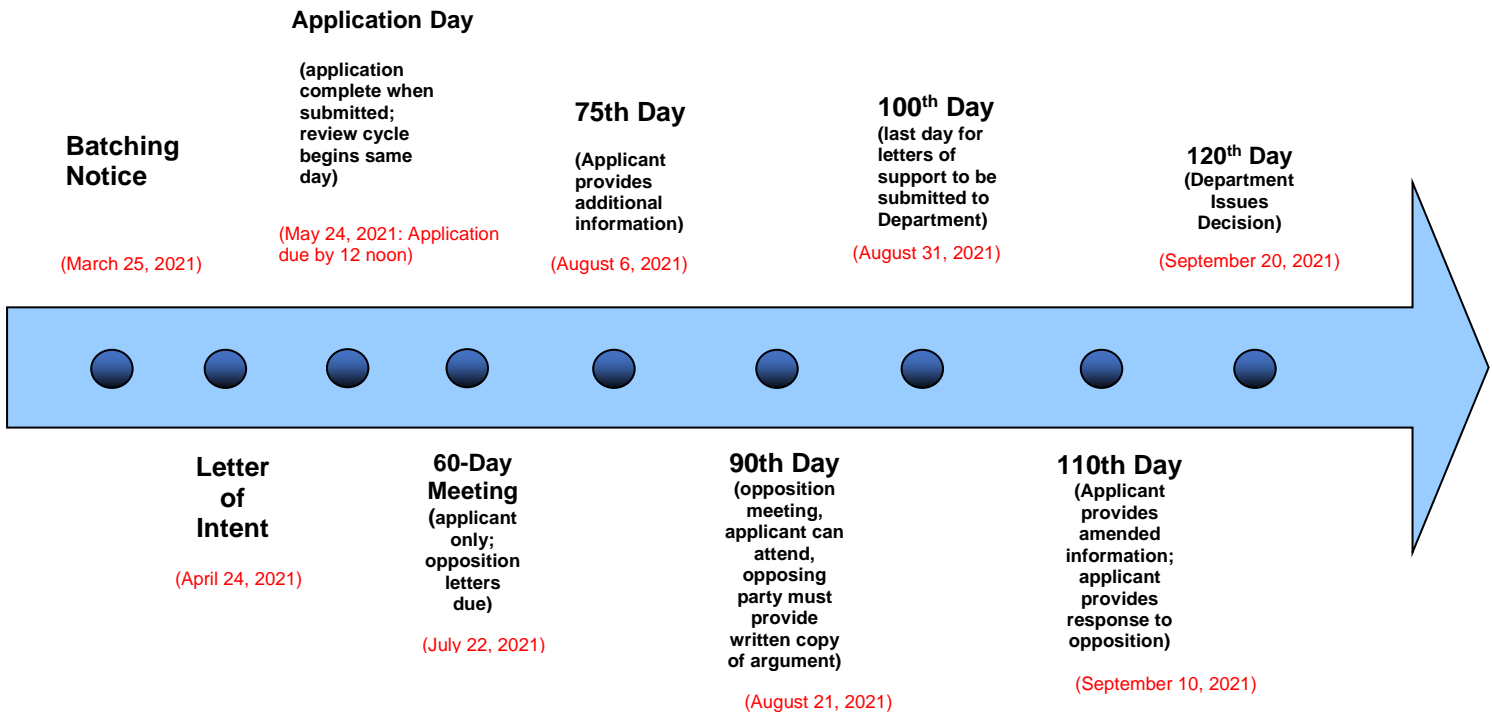
[Neonatal Intermediate Care](#)

[Inpatient Rehabilitation](#)

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

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

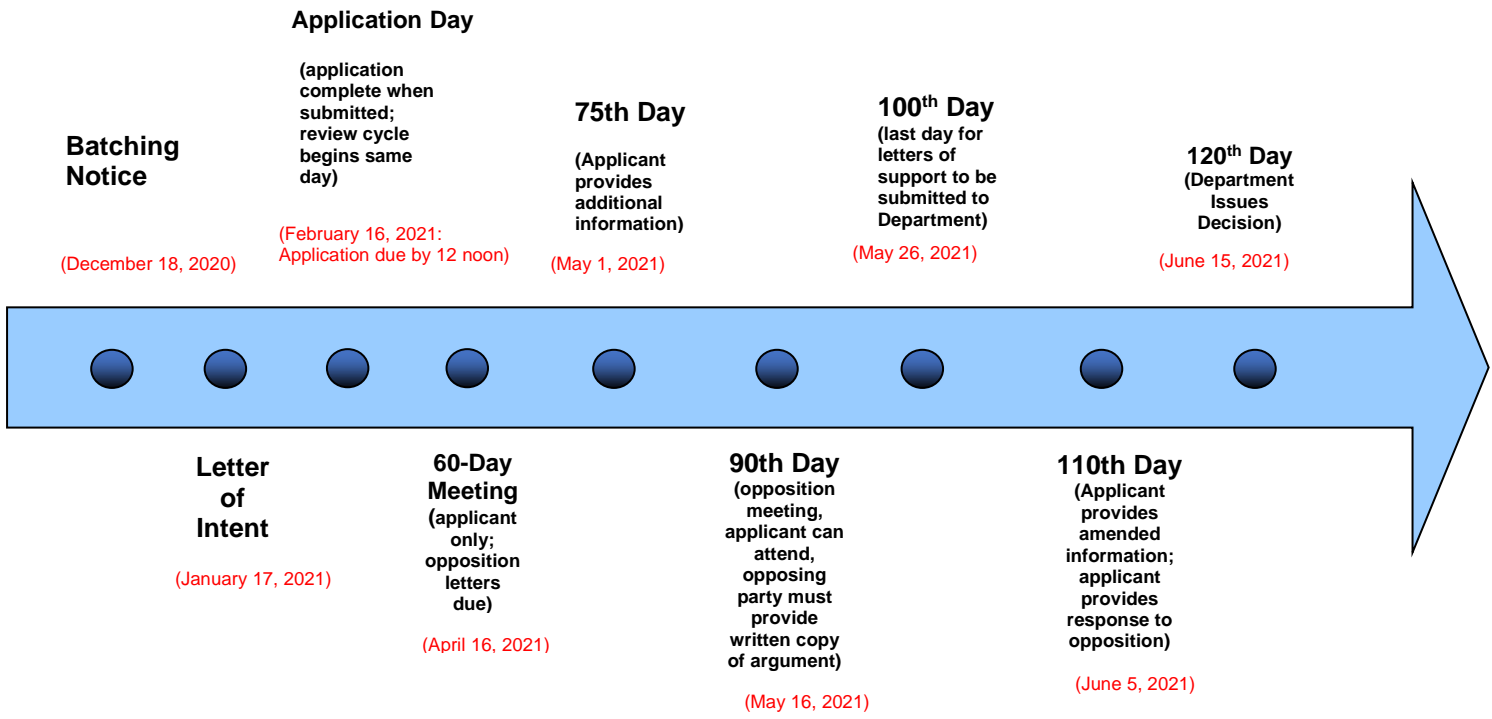
## SPRING CYCLE



- ▶ 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)

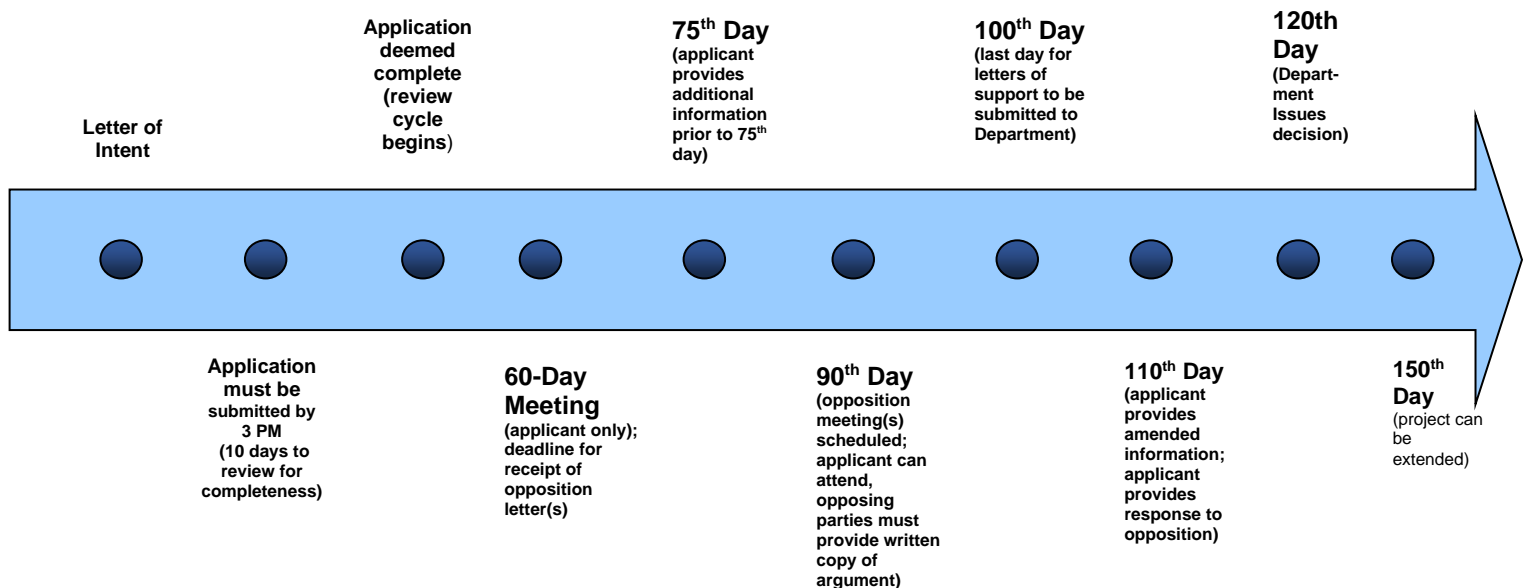
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## WINTER CYCLE



- ▶ 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

Stacey Hillock, Esq., Executive Director, Office of Health Planning,  
Georgia Department of Community Health, 2 Peachtree St., N.W., 5th Floor, Atlanta, GA 30303,  
([sthillock@dch.ga.gov](mailto:sthillock@dch.ga.gov))

For questions concerning pending Certificate of Need applications please contact Bruce  
Henderson, Senior Reviewer  
([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))

## 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. § 31-6-1 et seq. Such requests will be accepted only on the Department's form with the required filing fee of \$250.00. Requests for confirmation of the exemption for equipment below the threshold shall continue to be submitted using the Request for Letter of Non-Reviewability Form until further notice and will also require a \$250.00 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 \$250.00 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:

<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 <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

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.

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

Appointed by Governor Brian Kemp

**Opie Dean Bowen**  
(Appointed on December 21, 2020)

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

**Daniel Wright McLeod**  
(Chair, appointed on November 23, 2020)

**William Dennis (Trey) Taylor III**  
(Appointed on November 23, 2020)

**IMPORTANT NOTICE RELATED TO COVID-19 OUTBREAK**

Effective immediately (March 30, 2020), all *Office of Health Planning* applications and requests must be submitted electronically through our website. 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 Peachtree Street, N.W., 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Atlanta, GA 30303**

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

Thank you for your cooperation as we do our part by practicing social distancing during this public health state of emergency.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE RELATED TO EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 03.20.20.02**

If you have a request to suspend a provision of O.C.G.A. § 31-6-40 pursuant to State of Georgia Executive Order 03.20.20.02, REDUCING REGULATIONS TO ASSIST THE STATE'S RESPONSE TO THE SPREAD OF COVID-19, please complete this from: <https://dch.georgia.gov/divisionsoffices/office-health-planning/covid-19-code-section-31-6-40-suspension-request-form>