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Tracking And Appeals Report

May 6, 2026 – May 12, 2026

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Letters of Intent

LOI2026011 Atlanta Wellness Management Center (AWMC), LLC d/b/a Hope Imaging Center
Establishment of a Freestanding Imaging Center
Received: 4/29/2026 **Application must be submitted on: 5/26/2026**
Site: 3840 Peachtree Industrial Blvd., Suite 140, Duluth, GA 30096 (Gwinnett County)
Estimated Cost: \$0

Letters of Intent – Batching

Basic Perinatal

LOI2026008 Adventist Health System of Georgia, Inc. d/b/a AdventHealth Gordon
Expansion of Obstetrical Services in SDR 1 - Batching
Received: 4/27/2026 **Application must be submitted on: 5/21/2026**
Site: 1035 Red Bud Road, Calhoun, GA 30701 (Gordon County)
Estimated Cost: \$2,000,000

Newborn ICU/ Neonatal INT

LOI2026007 Candler Hospital, Inc.
Expansion of Neonatal Intermediate Care Services in SDR 12 - Batching
Received: 4/27/2026 **Application must be submitted on: 5/21/2026**
Site: 5353 Reynolds Street, Savannah, GA 31405 (Chatham County)
Estimated Cost: \$960,000

LOI2026009 Adventist Health System of Georgia, Inc. d/b/a AdventHealth Gordon
Establishment of Neonatal Intermediate Care Services SDR 1 - Batching
Received: 4/27/2026 **Application must be submitted on: 5/21/2026**
Site: 1035 Red Bud Road, Calhoun, GA 30701 (Gordon County)
Estimated Cost: \$5,000,000

Rehabilitation

LOI2026010 Rehabilitation Hospital of Cartersville, LLC
Establishment of CIPR Program in Rehabilitation Region 1 - Batching
Received: 4/27/2026 **Application must be submitted on: 5/21/2026**
Site: 1150 Joe Frank Harris Parkway SE, Cartersville, GA 30120 (Bartow County)
Estimated Cost: \$65,000,000

Expired Letters of Intent

none

Withdrawn CON Applications

none

New CON Applications

none

Pending Review Applications

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

OPPOSITION FILED

Estimated Cost: \$6,945,132

2026-003 Clear Imaging, LLC

New Imaging Center in Gwinnett County

Filed: 2/24/2026 **Deemed Complete:** 2/24/2026

30th Day Deadline: 3/25/2026

Decision Deadline: 6/23/2026

Site: 4470 Satellite Boulevard Suite 103, Duluth, GA 30096 (Gwinnett County)

Contact: Daekwan Lee, President 470-546-7321

Estimated Cost: \$1,015,000

OPPOSITION FILED

2026-006 Grady Memorial Hospital Corporation d/b/a Grady Health System

Construction of a New 200-Bed Short-Stay General Acute Care Hospital

Filed: 4/14/2026 **Deemed Complete:** 4/16/2026

30th Day Deadline: 5/13/2026

Decision Deadline: 8/11/2026

Site: 5500 Campbellton Fairburn Road, Union City, GA 30213 (Fulton County)

Contact: Shannon Sale, Chief Administrative Officer 404-616-7029

Estimated Cost: \$924,793,000

2026-007 Piedmont Henry Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Piedmont Henry Hospital

Establishment of a Freestanding Emergency Department

Filed: 4/20/2026 **Deemed Incomplete:** 4/20/2026 **Deemed Complete:** 4/22/2026

30th Day Deadline: 5/19/2026

Decision Deadline: 8/17/2026

Site: Highway 23 and Brown Avenue, Locust Grove, GA 30248 (Henry County)

Contact: Wesley James, Chief Financial Officer 678-604-5578

Estimated Cost: \$28,612,184

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: Denies MDS' Petition for Judicial Review and affirms Department's Final Order, 4/1/2026. MDS files Application for Discretionary Appeal in the Georgia Court of Appeals, 4/29/2026.

Superior Court of Tift County: Grants GACH's Petition for Judicial Review, reverses the Department's 11/4/2025 order, and remands the case to the Department for further review, 4/28/2026.

Court of Appeals: 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: Denies MDS' Petition for Judicial Review and affirms Department's Final Order, 4/1/2026. MDS files Application for Discretionary Appeal in the Georgia Court of Appeals, 4/29/2026.

Superior Court of Tift County: Grants GACH's Petition for Judicial Review, reverses the Department's 11/11/2025 order, and remands the case to the Department for further review, 4/28/2026.

Court of Appeals: 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: Denies MDS' Petition for Judicial Review and affirms Department's Final Order, 4/1/2026. MDS files Application for Discretionary Appeal in the Georgia Court of Appeals, 4/29/2026.

Superior Court of Tift County: Grants GACH's Petition for Judicial Review, reverses the Department's 11/11/2025 order, and remands the case to the Department for further review, 4/28/2026.

Court of Appeals: 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: N/A

Hearing Decision: Hearing Officer denies MDS’ Motion for Summary Adjudication and affirms Department’s 7/18/2025 decision, 3/13/2026. MDS files for Commissioner Review, 4/13/2026.

Commissioner Review Decision: 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: N/A

Hearing Decision: Hearing Officer denies MDS’ Motion for Summary Adjudication and affirms Department’s 7/18/2025 decision, 3/18/2026. MDS files for Commissioner Review, 4/17/2026.

Commissioner Review Decision: 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 – 2/25/2026, 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: Grants GACH’s Petition for Judicial Review, reverses the Department’s 11/5/2025 order,

and remands the case to the Department for further review, 4/27/2026.

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 – 2/25/2026, 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: Grants GACH’s Petition for Judicial Review, reverses the Department’s 11/5/2025 order, and remands the case to the Department for further review, 4/27/2026.

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 – 2/25/2026, 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: Grants GACH’s Petition for Judicial Review, reverses the Department’s 11/5/2025 order, and remands the case to the Department for further review, 4/27/2026.

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 – 2/25/2026, 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: Grants GACH’s Petition for Judicial Review, reverses the Department’s 11/5/2025 order, and remands the case to the Department for further review, 4/27/2026.

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

Hearing Decision: Hearing Officer grants Amera Imaging (Georgia) LLC’s (“Amera”) Motion to Dismiss GACH’s appeal, 4/13/2026.

DET-EQT2025-140 Douglas Hornsby, M.D., LLC Request for Letter of Determination received on 10/31/2025, regarding an exemption for the acquisition of MRI equipment.

Agency Decision: Approved on 2/20/2026

Appealed: Kennestone Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Kennestone Regional Medical Center, Cobb Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Cobb Medical Center, and Kennestone Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Windy Hill Hospital (“Wellstar”) file Request for Administrative Appeal on 3/20/2026.

Hearing Officer: Pending

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. Affirms Superior Court of Richmond County’s order, 3/6/2026.

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

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: Ronald E. Daniels, 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: Denies BSSC, GASC, and NHGs’ Petition for Judicial Review and affirms Department’s decision to grant a CON to Bethlehem ASC, 3/11/2026. BSSC, GASC, and NHG file Application for Discretionary Appeal in the Georgia Court of Appeals, 4/10/2026.

Court of Appeals: Denies BSSC, GASC, and NHGs’ file Application for Discretionary Appeal, 5/11/2026.

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: Carl P. Dowling, Esq.

Hearing Date: 8/3-7/2026, 9:30 A.M., 8/10-14/2026, 9:30 A.M./ Remote Video Conference

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 (“WKRCMC”) files Request to Intervene, 11/4/2025.

Hearing Officer: Ronald E. Daniels, Esq.

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: David Will, Esq.

Hearing Date: Pending

Requests for DET-EQT for Diagnostic or Therapeutic Equipment

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

Acquisition of MRI

Request received: 1/6/2026

Contact Person: Susan Dugger

Determination: Denied

Determination Date: 4/20/2026

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: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 4/15/2026

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: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 4/16/2026

DET-EQT2026015 University Cancer & Blood Center, LLC

Acquisition of Mobile PET/CT Scanner

Request received: 1/14/2026

Contact Person: Kathryn MT Platt

Determination: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 4/14/2026

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: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 5/8/2026

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

Acquisition of MRI

Request received: 1/16/2026

Contact Person: Robert Rozier

Determination: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 4/16/2026

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: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 4/28/2026

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: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 4/24/2026

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: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 4/20/2026

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: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 4/20/2026

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: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 4/20/2026

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: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 4/20/2026

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: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 4/20/2026

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: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 4/24/2026

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: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 4/24/2026

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: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 4/24/2026

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: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 4/24/2026

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: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 4/29/2026

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: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 5/8/2026

DET-EQT2026036 Jamie Wells
Acquisition of MRI and CT Scanner
Request received: 2/5/2026
Contact Person: Jamie Wells
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: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 4/28/2026

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: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 4/28/2026

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: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 4/28/2026

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

St Mary's Heart and Vascular Interventional Radiology Services Expansion

Request received: 2/12/2026

Contact Person: Jeremy Herring, CRA, CHFP, FACHE

Determination: Pending

DET-EQT2026042 St. Francis LLC, d/b/a St. Francis Emory Healthcare

Replace Cardiac Catheterization Scanner and Accessories

Request received: 2/19/2026

Contact Person: Katy Hedge

Determination: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 5/6/2026

DET-EQT2026045 Piedmont Mountainside Hospital, Inc.

Acquisition of CT Scanner

Request received: 2/23/2026

Contact Person: Christine MacEwen

Determination: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 4/28/2026

DET-EQT2026046 St. Mary's Sacred Heart Hospital, Inc.

Sacred Heart Hospital Mobile PET/CT

Request received: 2/25/2026

Contact Person: Jeremy Herring

Determination: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 5/8/2026

DET-EQT2026047 St. Mary's Good Samaritan Hospital, Inc.

Good Samaritan Mobile PET/CT

Request received: 2/25/2026

Contact Person: Jeremy Herring

Determination: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 5/8/2026

DET-EQT2026049 The Medical Center of Central Georgia, Inc. d/b/a Atrium Health Navicent

Acquisition of A Nuclear Medicine Camera

Request received: 2/26/2026

Contact Person: Briana Dennie

Determination: Pending

DET-EQT2026050 Tift Regional Health System, Inc.

Acquisition of Philips 2026 Azurion 7M20

Request received: 2/27/2026

Contact Person: Tamara Branch

Determination: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 5/6/2026

DET-EQT2026052 The Medical Center, Inc. dba Piedmont Columbus Regional Midtown

Mobile PET

Request received: 3/13/2026

Contact Person: Christine MacEwen

Determination: Pending

DET-EQT2026053 The Medical Center, Inc. dba Piedmont Columbus Regional Midtown

Acquisition of Cardiac Catheterization Equipment

Request received: 3/13/2026

Contact Person: Christine MacEwen
Determination: Pending

DET-EQT2026054 Piedmont Henry Radiation Oncology at Griffin

Linear Accelerator

Request received: 3/13/2026

Contact Person: Christine Macewen

Determination: Pending

DET-EQT2026055 Piedmont Hospital, Inc.

Linear Accelerator

Request received: 3/13/2026

Contact Person: Christine Macewen

Determination: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 5/6/2026

DET-EQT2026057 Saint Joseph's Hospital of Atlanta, Inc. d/b/a Emory Saint Joseph's

ESJH MRI at Vinings

Request received: 3/16/2026

Contact Person: Jennifer Goodman

Determination: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 5/7/2026

DET-EQT2026058 Union General Hospital, Inc.

Acquisition of Fixed PET/CT

Request received: 3/16/2026

Contact Person: Michele Madison

Determination: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 5/7/2026

DET-EQT2026059 Houston Hospitals, Inc. d/b/a Emory Hospital Warner Robins

EHWR MRI and CT Acquisition

Request received: 4/13/2026

Contact Person: Melissa Phagan

Determination: Pending

DET-EQT2026060 Piedmont Henry Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Piedmont Henry Hospital

Acquisition Of Mobile MRI

Request received: 4/14/2026

Contact Person: Christine Macewen

Determination: Pending

DET-EQT2026061 Piedmont Mountainside Hospital, Inc.

Replacement or Repair Of Single-Plane Vascular X-Ray System

Request received: 4/14/2026

Contact Person: Christine Macewen

Determination: Pending

DET-EQT2026062 Saint Joseph's Hospital of Atlanta, Inc. d/b/a Emory Saint Joseph's

Replacement of da Vinci Robot

Request received: 4/22/2026

Contact Person: Jennifer Goodman

Determination: Pending

DET-EQT2026063 Douglas Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Douglas Medical Center

Acquisition of PET/CT

Request received: 4/29/2026

Contact Person: James Satcher

Determination: Pending

DET-EQT2026064 Piedmont Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Piedmont Atlanta Hospital

Monoplane for GI/Endo Expansion

Request received: 4/29/2026

Contact Person: Christine Macewen

Determination: Pending

DET-EQT2026065 Georgia Urology, P.A.

Acquisition of PET/CT Scanner

Request received: 5/1/2026

Contact Person: Dan Fellner

Determination: Pending

DET-EQT2026066 Aeva Health, LLC

Acquisition of MRI and CT Scanner

Request received: 5/3/2026

Contact Person: Rajashakher Reddy, MD

Determination: Pending

DET-EQT2026067 Pro Radiology, LLC d/b/a American Health Imaging of Johns Creek

Acquisition of CT Scanner

Request received: 5/6/2026

Contact Person: Rebecca M. Thornhill

Determination: Pending

DET-EQT2026068 American Health Imaging of Georgia d/b/a American Health Imaging

Replacement of MRI System

Request received: 5/6/2026

Contact Person: Rebecca M. Thornhill

Determination: Pending

DET-EQT2026069 John D. Archbold Memorial Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Grady General Hospital

Replacement CT Scanner

Request received: 5/7/2026

Contact Person: Briana Dennie

Determination: Pending

DET-EQT2026070 Advanced Urology Institute of Georgia

Request for Determination Regarding Updates to Information for Existing Therapeutic Equipment

Request received: 5/7/2026

Contact Person: Mitchell Gladstein

Determination: Pending

DET-EQT2026071 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Gwinnett

Acquisition of MRI and CT Scanners

Request received: 5/11/2026

Contact Person: Robert Rozier

Determination: Pending

DET-EQT2026072 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a/ Northside Hospital Atlanta

Acquisition of MRI

Request received: 5/11/2026

Contact Person: Robert Rozier

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-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: Approved

Determination

5/8/2026

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: Approved

Determination

4/23/2026

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

DET-ASC2026005 Gainesville Urology Group, LLC

Establish a Joint Venture Ambulatory Surgery Center

Site: 1240 Jesse Jewell Parkway, Ste 200, Gainesville, GA 30501

Number of OR's: 2 **Specialty:** Urology

Project costs as submitted:

Request received: 3/6/2026

Contact Person: Linda Berger

Determination: Pending

DET-ASC2026006 OrthoAtlanta, LLC

Establish a Joint Venture Ambulatory Surgery Center

Site: 275 Interstate North Circle, Ste 500, Atlanta, GA 30339

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

Project costs as submitted: \$8,852,381.00

Request received: 3/17/2026

Contact Person: Michael Ochal

Determination: Pending

DET-ASC2026007 Atlanta Aesthetic Institute, LLC

Establish A Single Specialty Ambulatory Surgical Center

Site: 1579 Monroe Drive NE, Ste F, Atlanta, GA 30324

Number of OR's: 1 **Specialty:** Otolaryngology

Project costs as submitted: \$3,196,849.00

Request received: 4/1/2026

Contact Person: Victor Moldovan

Determination: Pending

DET-ASC2026008 Thrive Orthopaedics ASC LLC

Establish A Single Specialty Ambulatory Surgical Center

Site: 1200 Altmore Ave, Ste C-160, Atlanta, GA 30342

Number of OR's: 2 **Specialty:** Orthopaedics

Project costs as submitted: \$727,000.00

Request received: 4/9/2026

Contact Person: Robert Threlkeld, Esq.

Determination: Pending

DET-ASC2026009 Nova Alpharetta ASC LLC

Establish A Single Specialty Ambulatory Surgical Center

Site: 145 Riverstone Terrace, Ste 101, Canton, GA 30114

Number of OR's: 1 **Specialty:** Interventional Pain Management

Project costs as submitted: \$1,292,175.00

Request received: 4/14/2026

Contact Person: William Tate

Determination: Pending

Requests for Miscellaneous Letters of Determination

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: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 4/15/2026

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: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 4/13/2026

DET2026006 Piedmont Healthcare Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital of Newnan,

Increase in Hospital Bed Capacity

Request received: 1/13/2026

Contact Person: Susan Lyerly

Determination: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 4/14/2026

DET2026007 Encompass Health Walton Rehabilitation Hospital, LLC

Increase in Hospital Bed Capacity

Request received: 1/13/2026

Contact Person: Susan Lyerly

Determination: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 4/14/2026

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: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 4/21/2026

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

Modification of CON Projects

Request received: 1/16/2026

Contact Person: Robert Rozier

Determination: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 4/21/2026

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: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 4/22/2026

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: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 4/23/2026

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: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 4/23/2026

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: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 4/23/2026

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: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 4/24/2026

DET2026017 Upson County Hospital, Inc dba Upson Regional Medical Center

Infusion Center Renovation

Request received: 2/5/2026

Contact Person: Daniel Owens

Determination: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 5/8/2026

DET2026018 Candler Hospital, Inc.

Addition of Two Shared Operating Rooms

Request received: 2/9/2026

Contact Person: Brad Trower

Determination: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 5/8/2026

DET2026019 Candler Hospital, Inc.

Renovate Emergency Department

Request received: 2/9/2026

Contact Person: Brad Trower

Determination: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 5/8/2026

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

DET2026021 Piedmont Henry Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Piedmont Henry Hospital

Increase in Hospital Bed Capacity

Request received: 2/18/2026

Contact Person: Christine Macewen

Determination: Pending

DET2026022 DeKalb Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Emory Decatur Hospital

EDH Inpatient Bed Renovation

Request received: 2/19/2026

Contact Person: Andrew Wurtzel

Determination: Pending

DET2026023 Merus Gastroenterology & Gut Health, LLC

Merus Gastroenterology DET Misc

Request received: 2/19/2026

Contact Person: Michele Madison

Determination: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 4/29/2026

DET2026024 Manor Lake Bridgemill Senior Center d/b/a Manor Lake Bridgemill

Manor Lake Bridgemill- Increase in Bed Capacity

Request received: 2/20/2026

Contact Person: Samantha Lee

Determination: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 4/27/2026

DET2026025 Piedmont Newton Hospital, Inc.

Bed Expansion

Request received: 2/25/2026

Contact Person: Christine MacEwen

Determination: Pending

DET2026026 Therapeutic Gastrointestinal Endoscopy, LLC

Develop Outpatient Dedicated Gastrointestinal Endoscopy Center

Request received: 2/27/2026

Contact Person: Everette B Jenkins

Determination: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 5/4/2026

DET2026027 Tift Regional Health System, Inc.

Construction

Request received: 2/27/2026

Contact Person: Tamara Branch

Determination: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 5/8/2026

DET2026028 Fayette Community Hospital, Inc. dba Piedmont Fayette Hospital

Renovation and Expansion of Mammography

Request received: 3/2/2026

Contact Person: Christine MacEwen

Determination: Pending

DET2026029 Murray Properties Group, LP

Skilled Nursing Facility Relocation

Request received: 3/6/2026

Contact Person: Rachel L. King

Determination: Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 5/4/2026

DET2026030 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Atlanta

Development of Two Shared Operating Rooms and Associated Space

Request received: 3/6/2026

Contact Person: Robert Rozier

Determination: Pending

DET2026031 Piedmont Hospital Inc., d/b/a Piedmont Atlanta Hospital

OR Expansion Project

Request received: 3/10/2026

Contact Person: Christine MacEwen

Determination: Pending

DET2026032 Piedmont Hospital Inc., d/b/a Piedmont Atlanta Hospital

GI Expansion Project

Request received: 3/10/2026

Contact Person: Christine MacEwen

Determination: Pending

DET2026033 Georgia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities

Addition of Psychiatric Beds

Request received: 3/13/2026

Contact Person: Monica Patel

Determination: Pending

DET2026034 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Atlanta

Renovation for Existing Cardiovascular Program Services Space

Request received: 3/20/2026
Contact Person: Robert Rozier
Determination: Pending

DET2026035 Vidalia Health Services, LLC d/b/a Memorial Health Meadows Hospital
Modification to the Project Scope of GA 2025-028
Request received: 3/25/2026
Contact Person: Abby Bray
Determination: Pending

DET2026036 Grace Manor Lawrenceville, LLC
Approval for a Personal Care Home License
Request received: 3/30/2026
Contact Person: Savitri Johnson
Determination: Pending

DET2026037 Redmond Park Hospital, LLC d/b/a AdventHealth Redmond
Medical Office Building
Request received: 3/30/2026
Contact Person: Daniel Monahan
Determination: Pending

DET2026038 Redmond Park Hospital, LLC d/b/a AdventHealth Redmond
Medical Office Building For Existing Oncology Services
Request received: 4/3/2026
Contact Person: Daniel Monahan
Determination: Pending

DET2026039 Bariatric and Minimally Invasive Surgical Institute, LLC
Grant Outpatient Surgical Privileges to Non-Affiliated General Surgeons, or General Surgeons
Request received: 4/8/2026
Contact Person: Everette B Jenkins
Determination: Pending

DET2026041 Piedmont Hospital Inc., d/b/a Piedmont Atlanta Hospital
Pharmacy Expansion Project
Request received: 4/14/2026
Contact Person: Christine Macewen
Determination: Pending

DET2026042 Lawrenceville Surgery Center, LLC
Addition Of Procedure Room And Renovations
Request received: 4/15/2026
Contact Person: Victor Moldovan
Determination: Pending

DET2026043 Coffee Regional Medical Center, Inc
Emergency Department Renovation
Request received: 4/23/2026
Contact Person: Vicki Lewis
Determination: Pending

DET2026044 Coffee Regional Medical Center, Inc
Renovation of Labor and Delivery Unit
Request received: 4/23/2026
Contact Person: Vicki Lewis
Determination: Pending

DET2026045 Coffee Regional Medical Center, Inc.
Third Floor Build-Out For Twenty Bed Intensive Care Unit
Request received: 4/23/2026
Contact Person: Vicki Lewis
Determination: Pending

DET2026046 Grady Memorial Hospital Corporation d/b/a Grady Health System

Establish an Urgent Care Center

Request received: 4/28/2026

Contact Person: Mike McCarthy

Determination: Pending

DET2026047 Southeast Georgia Health Services, LLC d/b/a Memorial Satilla Health

Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization Exemption

Request received: 5/1/2026

Contact Person: Daniel J. Monahan

Determination: Pending

DET2026048 Wellstar North Fulton Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar North Fulton Medical Center

Annual Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization Exemption

Request received: 5/4/2026

Contact Person: James Satcher

Determination: Pending

DET2026049 Cobb Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Cobb Medical Center

Annual Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization Exemption

Request received: 5/4/2026

Contact Person: James Satcher

Determination: Pending

DET2026050 Douglas Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Douglas Medical Center

Annual Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization Exemption

Request received: 5/4/2026

Contact Person: James Satcher

Determination: Pending

DET2026051 Wellstar Spalding Regional Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Spalding Medical

Annual Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization Exemption

Request received: 5/4/2026

Contact Person: James Satcher

Determination: Pending

DET2026052 Paulding Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Paulding Medical Center

Annual Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization Exemption

Request received: 5/4/2026

Contact Person: James Satcher

Determination: Pending

DET2026053 Suncrest Home Health of South GA, Inc.

Office Relocation

Request received: 5/4/2026

Contact Person: Amber Tueller

Determination: Pending

DET2026054 Vidalia Health Services, LLC d/b/a Memorial Health Meadows Hospital

Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization Exemption

Request received: 5/5/2026

Contact Person: Heather Walters

Determination: Pending

DET2026055 Doctors Hospital of Augusta, LLC d/b/a Doctors Hospital of Augusta

Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization Exemption

Request received: 5/5/2026

Contact Person: Sarah Koenig

Determination: Pending

DET2026056 DeKalb Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Emory Decatur Hospital

Annual Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization Renewal

Request received: 5/5/2026

Contact Person: David S. Levitt
Determination: Pending

DET2026057 EHCA Johns Creek, LLC d/b/a Emory Johns Creek Hospital
Annual Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization Renewal
Request received: 5/5/2026
Contact Person: David S. Levitt
Determination: Pending

DET2026058 Houston Hospitals, Inc. d/b/a Emory Hospital Warner Robins
Annual Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization Renewal
Request received: 5/5/2026
Contact Person: David S. Levitt
Determination: Pending

DET2026059 Tanner Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Tanner Medical Center - Villa Rica
Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization Statutory Exemption
Request received: 5/5/2026
Contact Person: LaQuinta Grizzard
Determination: Pending

DET2026060 Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Inc., d/b/a South Hall Hospital
Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization Exemption
Request received: 5/6/2026
Contact Person: Linda Berger
Determination: Pending

DET2026061 Advanced Urology Surgery Center LLC
Transfer of Ownership Interest
Request received: 5/11/2026
Contact Person: Mitchell Gladstein
Determination: Pending

DET2026062 Sandy Springs Center for Urological Surgery LLC
Transfer of Ownership Interest
Request received: 5/11/2026
Contact Person: Mitchell Gladstein
Determination: Pending

DET2026063 Marietta Advanced Surgery Center LLC
Transfer of Ownership Interest
Request received: 5/11/2026
Contact Person: Mitchell Gladstein
Determination: Pending

DET2026064 Surgery Center of Lawrenceville LLC
Transfer of Ownership Interest
Request received: 5/11/2026
Contact Person: Mitchell Gladstein
Determination: Pending

DET2026065 Urology Surgery Center Johns Creek LLC
Transfer of Ownership Interest
Request received: 5/11/2026
Contact Person: Mitchell Gladstein
Determination: Pending

DET2026066 The Center for Special Surgery LLC
Transfer of Ownership Interest
Request received: 5/11/2026
Contact Person: Mitchell Gladstein
Determination: Pending

DET2026067 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Gwinnett

Capital Expenditure to Renovate and Build Out Existing MOB Space

Request received: 5/11/2026

Contact Person: Robert Rozier

Determination: Pending

Requests for Extended Implementation/Effective Period

2023004 Crisp Regional Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Crisp Regional Health Services

Expansion and Renovation of Surgical Department

Request to Extend Completion Period

Site: 902 N. 7th Street, Cordele (Crisp)

Project Approved: 6/15/2023

Request Received: 4/7/2026

Contact: Steven L. Gautney, CEO (229-276-3100)

Approved Cost: \$19,638,000

Determination: Approved, 4/15/2026

Extended Mandatory Completion: June 2, 2026

2023014 Youth Villages, Inc. d/b/a Youth Villages - Inner Harbour Campus

Construction of Five Residential Cottages

Request to Extend Completion Period

Site: 4685 Dorsett Shoals Road, Douglasville (Douglas)

Project Approved: 8/3/2023

Request Received: 4/13/2026

Contact: Tanya L. Anderson, MS, LPC, Executive Director (770-852-6238)

Approved Cost: \$28,333,000

Determination: Approved, 4/28/2026

Extended Mandatory Completion: October 31, 2026

2025005 Scottish Rite Children's Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Children's Healthcare of Atlanta at Scottish Rite

Addition of 12 Level III Beds - Batching

Request to Extend Completion Period

Site: 1001 Johnson Ferry Road, NE, Atlanta (Fulton)

Project Approved: 6/23/2025

Request Received: 4/20/2026

Contact: John Smith, VP of Gov't Relations (404-785-4577)

Approved Cost: \$6,472,833

Determination: Approved, 4/28/2026

Extended Mandatory Completion: December 11, 2026

Need Projection Analyses Posted **4/1/2026**

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 4/1/2026

2030 Inpatient Physical Rehabilitation Need Projections – Posted 4/1/2026

2030 Neonatal Intermediate Care Bed Need Projection – Posted 4/1/2026

2030 Neonatal Intensive Care Bed Need Projection – Posted 4/1/2026

2030 Obstetric Services Bed Need Projection – Posted 4/1/2026

2028 Nursing Home Bed Need Projection – Posted 4/1/2026

2028 Home Health Agency Services Need Projection - Posted 4/1/2026

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://hpsurveys.dch.georgia.gov>.

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 4/1/2026 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 or facilities for which there is no specified batching cycle, or other applicable rule, may be filed at any time.

[Home Health](#)

[Skilled Nursing/Intermediate Care Facilities](#)

[Ambulatory Surgery](#)

[Obstetrical Services](#)

[Neonatal Intensive Care](#)

[Inpatient Rehabilitation](#)

[Neonatal Intermediate Care](#)

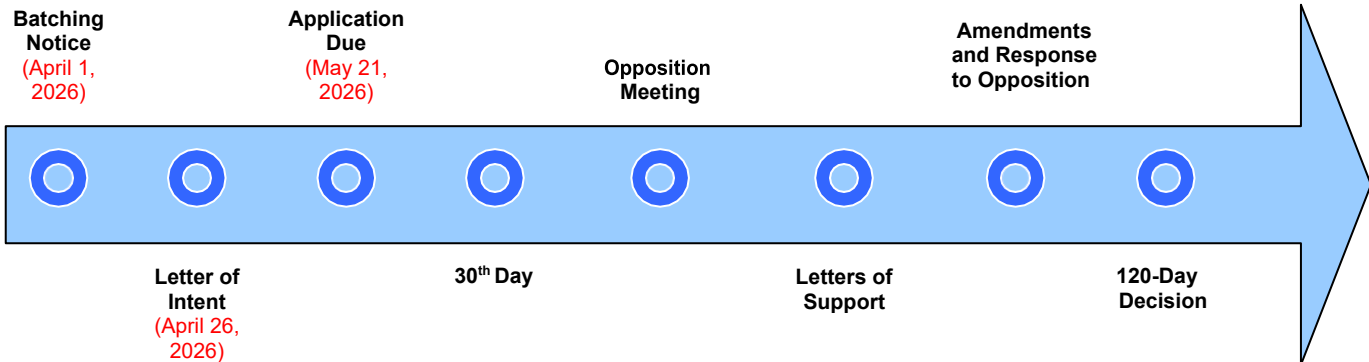
Need Projections can be found on the [“OHP Need Projections” Page](#)

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.

SPRING CYCLE



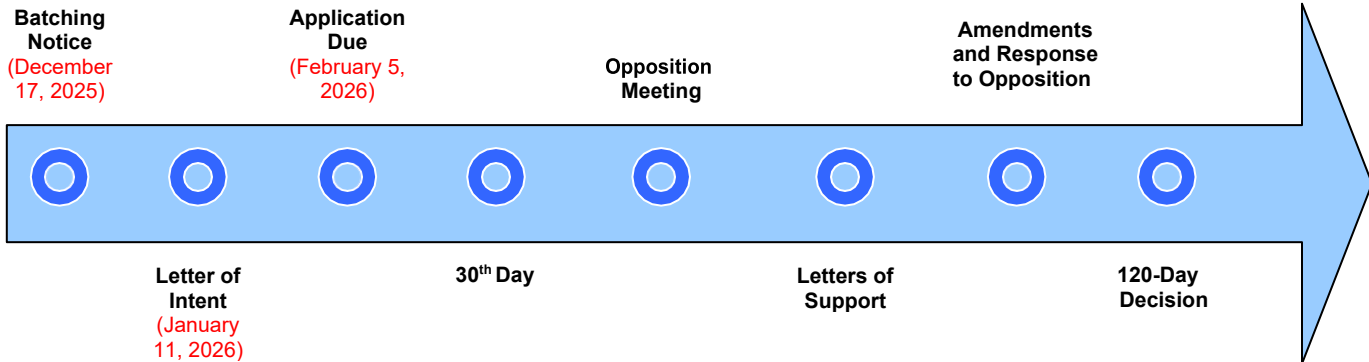
- ▶ **Batching Notice issued 25 days before Letter of Intent is due**
- ▶ **Letter of Intent received by Department 25 days before application is submitted**
- ▶ **Applications submitted; review cycle begins**
- ▶ **30th Day; deadline for receipt of opposition notice(s)**
- ▶ **Opposition Meeting; opposing 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.

WINTER CYCLE

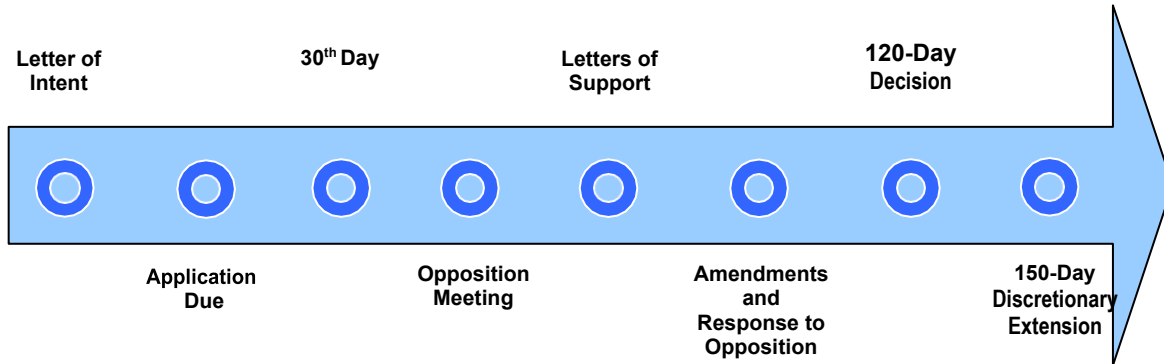


- ▶ Batching Notice issued 25 days before Letter of Intent is due
- ▶ Letter of Intent received by Department 25 days before application is submitted
- ▶ Applications submitted; review cycle begins
- ▶ 30th Day; deadline for receipt of opposition notice(s)
- ▶ Opposition Meeting; opposing parties must 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
- ▶ 30th 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
(klaing@dch.ga.gov)

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

For questions concerning Health Planning surveys and indigent and charity care commitment shortfalls please contact Steve Cappel, Data Systems Supervisor
(steve.cappel@dch.ga.gov)

For all other CON-related questions, please email 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. To complete a survey, please visit 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

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)

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.

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>