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# Office of Health Planning



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# Tracking And Appeals Report

***June 3, 2026 – June 9, 2026***

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## Letters of Intent

### **LOI2026012 M&B Imaging, PC d/b/a American Health Imaging of Gainesville**

Replacement of Existing MRI and CT Scanners

**Received: 6/1/2026**

**Application must be submitted on: 6/26/2026**

**Site:** 1640 Jesse Jewell Pkwy SE, Suite 2, Gainesville, GA 30501 (Hall County)

**Estimated Cost:** \$3,900,000

### **LOI2026013 Synergy Radiology, LLC d/b/a American Health Imaging of Conyers**

Replacement of Existing MRI and CT Scanners

**Received: 6/1/2026**

**Application must be submitted on: 6/26/2026**

**Site:** 1501 Milstead Rd NE, Suite 140, Conyers, GA 30012 (Rockdale County)

**Estimated Cost:** \$3,700,000

## Letters of Intent – Batching

none

## Expired Letters of Intent

### **LOI2026008 Adventist Health System of Georgia, Inc. d/b/a AdventHealth Gordon**

Expansion of Obstetrical Services in SSDR 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

## Withdrawn CON Applications

none

## New CON Applications

none

## Pending Review Applications

### **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**

**OPPOSITION FILED**

**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

**2026-010 Atlanta Wellness Management Center, LLC d/b/a Hope Imaging Center**

Establishment of a Freestanding Imaging Center

**Filed:** 5/26/2026 **Deemed Complete:** 5/29/2026

**30th Day Deadline:** 6/24/2026

**Decision Deadline:** 9/22/2026

**Site:** 3840 Peachtree Ind Blvd, Suite 140, Duluth, GA 30096 (Gwinnett County)

**Contact:** Grace Morris, Managing Member 404-713-3280

**Estimated Cost:** \$10,000

**2026-013 Rehabilitation Hospital of Cartersville, LLC**

Establishment of CIPR Program in Rehabilitation Region 1 - Batching

**Filed:** 5/21/2026 **Deemed Complete:** 5/21/2026

**30th Day Deadline:** 6/19/2026

**Decision Deadline:** 9/17/2026

**Site:** 1150 Joe Frank Harris Parkway SE, Cartersville, GA 30120 (Bartow County)

**Contact:** Susan Lyerly, National Director 205-969-4528

**Estimated Cost:** \$64,216,222

**2026-014 Candler Hospital, Inc.**

Expansion of Neonatal Intermediate Care Services in SSCR 12 - Batching

**Filed:** 5/21/2026 **Deemed Complete:** 5/21/2026

**30th Day Deadline:** 6/19/2026

**Decision Deadline:** 9/17/2026

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

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

**Estimated Cost:** \$816,160

**2026-015 Adventist Health System of Georgia, Inc. d/b/a AdventHealth Gordon**

Establishment of Neonatal Intermediate Care Services in SSCR 1 - Batching

**Filed:** 5/21/2026 **Deemed Complete:** 5/21/2026

**30th Day Deadline:** 6/19/2026

**Decision Deadline:** 9/17/2026

**Site:** 1035 Red Bud Road, Calhoun, GA 30701 (Gordon County)

**Contact:** Edward Pelote, Chief Operating Officer 706-879-4795

**Estimated Cost:** \$6,874,482

## Recently Approved 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

**60th Day Deadline:** 4/5/2026

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

**APPROVED:** 6/4/2026

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

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

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

**OPPOSITION FILED**

## 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. MDS files Application for Discretionary Appeal in the Georgia Court of Appeals, 5/21/2026.

**Court of Appeals:** Denies MDS’ Application for Discretionary Appeal (Fulton), 5/26/2026.

**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. MDS files Application for Discretionary Appeal in the Georgia Court of Appeals, 5/21/2026.

**Court of Appeals:** Denies MDS’ Application for Discretionary Appeal (Fulton), 5/26/2026.

**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. MDS files Application for Discretionary Appeal in the Georgia Court of Appeals, 5/21/2026.

**Court of Appeals:** Denies MDS’ Application for Discretionary Appeal (Fulton), 5/26/2026.

**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. GACH files for Commissioner Review, 5/13/2026.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Pending

**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

**DET-EQT2026-034 Amera Imaging (Georgia) LLC** Request for Letter of Determination received on 1/29/2026, regarding an exemption for the acquisition of MRI equipment.

**Agency Decision:** Approved on 4/29/2026

**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 5/18/2026. American Health Imaging of Georgia, LLC (“AHI”) files Request for Administrative Appeal on 5/27/2026. The Georgia Alliance of Community Hospitals (“GACH”) files Request for Administrative Appeal on 5/27/2026.  
**Hearing Officer:** Pending  
**Hearing Date:** Pending

**DET-ASC2025-016 Pinnacle Orthopaedics & Sports Medicine Specialists, LLC** Request for Letter of Determination received on 11/20/2025, regarding an exemption for the addition of an operating room.

**Agency Decision:** Approved on 5/8/2026

**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 6/4/2026. Kennestone Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Kennestone Regional Medical Center, Kennestone Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Windy Hill Hospital, Wellstar North Fulton Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar North Fulton Medical Center, and Paulding Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Paulding Medical Center (“Wellstar”) file Request for Administrative Appeal on 6/5/2026.

**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. Augusta Oncology Associates, P.C. withdraws appeal, 5/5/2026.

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

**Hearing Date:** N/A

**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 (“WKRMC”) 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-EQT2026018 Georgia Spine and Orthopaedics**

Acquisition of MRI

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

**Contact Person:** Michele Madison

**Determination:** Pending

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

Acquisition of Linear Accelerator

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

**Contact Person:** Christine MacEwen

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 5/12/2026

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

Acquisition of CT Scanner

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

**Contact Person:** Christine MacEwen

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 5/12/2026

**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:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 5/26/2026

**DET-EQT2026036 Jamie Wells**

Acquisition of MRI and CT Scanner

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

**Contact Person:** Jamie Wells

**Determination:** Denied      **Determination Date:** 5/18/2026

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

Replacement CT Scanner

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

**Contact Person:** Christine MacEwen

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 5/28/2026

**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:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 5/18/2026

**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:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 5/12/2026

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

Mobile PET

**Request received:** 3/13/2026

**Contact Person:** Christine MacEwen

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 6/1/2026

**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:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 6/1/2026

**DET-EQT2026054 Piedmont Henry Radiation Oncology at Griffin**

Linear Accelerator

**Request received:** 3/13/2026

**Contact Person:** Christine Macewen

**Determination:** Pending

**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:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 5/26/2026

**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:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 6/3/2026

**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:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 6/3/2026

**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**

Acquisition of da Vinci X Single Console System

**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

**DET-EQT2026075 Fayette Community Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Piedmont Fayette Hospital**

Replacement of Linear Accelerator

**Request received:** 5/14/2026

**Contact Person:** Rebecca Riess

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026076 Fayette Community Hospital, Inc. dba Piedmont Fayette Hospital**

Replacement MRI

**Request received:** 5/14/2026

**Contact Person:** Rebecca Riess

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026077 North Atlanta Cardiology P.C.**

Acquisition of a PET Scanner

**Request received:** 5/20/2026

**Contact Person:** Rebecca Thornhill  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026078 DeKalb Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Emory Decatur Hospital**

Acquisition of CT Scanner  
**Request received:** 5/28/2026  
**Contact Person:** Andrew Wurtzel  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026079 Atlanta Heart Specialists, LLC**

Acquisition of a Cardiovascular PET/CT Scanner  
**Request received:** 5/28/2026  
**Contact Person:** Everette B Jenkins  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2026080 University Cancer & Blood Center, LLC**

Acquisition of PET/CT Scanner  
**Request received:** 5/29/2026  
**Contact Person:** Briana Dennie  
**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-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:** Approved      **Determination**      5/22/2026

**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

**DET-ASC2026016 Georgia Urology, P.A.**

Establish A Single Specialty Ambulatory Surgical Center

**Site:** 103 Greenfield Drive, Ste 101, Cumming, GA 30040

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

**Project costs as submitted:** \$2,669,952.00

**Request received:** 5/28/2026

**Contact Person:** Dan Fellner

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-ASC2026017 Magnolia ENT, LLC**

Establish A Single Specialty Ambulatory Surgical Center

**Site:** 1595 Hwy 34 E, Newnan, GA 30265

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

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

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

**Contact Person:** Robin Beatty

**Determination:** Pending

## Requests for Miscellaneous Letters of Determination

**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:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 5/18/2026

**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:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 5/18/2026

**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:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 5/28/2026

**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:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 5/26/2026

**DET2026025 Piedmont Newton Hospital, Inc.**

Bed Expansion

**Request received:** 2/25/2026

**Contact Person:** Christine MacEwen

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 5/13/2026

**DET2026028 Fayette Community Hospital, Inc. dba Piedmont Fayette Hospital**

Renovation and Expansion of Mammography

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

**Contact Person:** Christine MacEwen

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 5/12/2026

**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:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 5/26/2026

**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:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 5/15/2026

**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:** Non-reviewable as proposed      **Determination Date:** 5/12/2026

**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:** Non-reviewable as proposed    **Determination Date:** 5/27/2026

**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:** Non-reviewable as proposed    **Determination Date:** 5/29/2026

**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:** Non-reviewable as proposed    **Determination Date:** 5/29/2026

**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

**DET2026068 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Atlanta**

PCI Exemption Continuation

**Request received:** 5/13/2026

**Contact Person:** Robert Rozier

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026069 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Cherokee**

PCI Exemption Continuation

**Request received:** 5/13/2026  
**Contact Person:** Robert Rozier  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026070 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Forsyth**  
PCI Exemption Continuation  
**Request received:** 5/13/2026  
**Contact Person:** Robert Rozier  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026071 Savannah Health Services, LLC d/b/a Memorial Health University Medical**  
Emergency Room Renovation to Expand Trauma Bays  
**Request received:** 5/13/2026  
**Contact Person:** Andrew Little  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026072 Adventist Health System Georgia, Inc. d/b/a AdventHealth Gordon**  
Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization  
**Request received:** 5/13/2026  
**Contact Person:** Kathlynn Butler Polvino  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026073 St. Mary's Hospital, Inc.**  
Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization  
**Request received:** 5/13/2026  
**Contact Person:** Holley Tyler  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026074 Rehabilitation Hospital of Atlanta, LLC**  
Request for Letter of Determination Regarding Increase in Hospital Bed Capacity  
**Request received:** 5/13/2026  
**Contact Person:** Susan Lyerly  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026075 Rehabilitation Hospital of Columbus, LLC**  
Increase in Hospital Bed Capacity  
**Request received:** 5/13/2026  
**Contact Person:** Susan Lyerly  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026076 Hospital Authority of Colquitt County**  
Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization  
**Request received:** 5/14/2026  
**Contact Person:** Dena Zinker  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026077 Upson County Hospital, Inc dba Upson Regional Medical Center**  
Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization  
**Request received:** 5/14/2026  
**Contact Person:** Sue Mangum  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026078 East Georgia Regional Medical Center, LLC**  
Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization  
**Request received:** 5/14/2026  
**Contact Person:** Stephen G. Pennington  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026079 Floyd Healthcare Management, Inc. d/b/a Atrium Health Floyd Medical Center**  
Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization  
**Request received:** 5/14/2026  
**Contact Person:** Drew Dempsey  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026080 The Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Piedmont Columbus Regional Midtown**  
Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization  
**Request received:** 5/14/2026  
**Contact Person:** Rebecca Riess  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026081 Prime Healthcare Foundation - Southern Regional, LLC**  
Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization  
**Request received:** 5/14/2026  
**Contact Person:** Kathlynn Butler Polvino  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026082 Piedmont Rockdale Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Piedmont Rockdale Hospital**  
Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization  
**Request received:** 5/14/2026  
**Contact Person:** Rebecca Riess  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026083 Piedmont Newnan Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Piedmont Newnan Hospital**  
Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization  
**Request received:** 5/14/2026  
**Contact Person:** Rebecca Riess  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026084 Coffee Regional Medical Center**  
Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization  
**Request received:** 5/14/2026  
**Contact Person:** Vicki Lewis  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026085 Cartersville Medical Center, LL.:C d/b/a Cartersville Medical Center**  
Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization  
**Request received:** 5/15/2026  
**Contact Person:** Rebecca Riess  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026086 Eastside Medical Center, LLC, d/b/a, Piedmont Eastside Medical Center**  
Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization  
**Request received:** 5/15/2026  
**Contact Person:** Rebecca Riess  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026087 Piedmont Henry Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Piedmont Henry Hospital**  
Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization  
**Request received:** 5/15/2026  
**Contact Person:** Rebecca Riess  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026088 Fayette Community Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Piedmont Fayette Hospital**  
Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization  
**Request received:** 5/15/2026  
**Contact Person:** Rebecca Riess  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026089 AU Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar MCG Health**  
Hospital Pharmacy Renovations  
**Request received:** 5/18/2026  
**Contact Person:** James Satcher  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026090 Kennestone Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Kennestone Regional Medical Center**  
Nonclinical Project Upgrades to Sterile Processing Department  
**Request received:** 5/18/2026

**Contact Person:** James Satcher  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026091 St. Mary's Good Samaritan Hospital, Inc.**

GS Retail Pharmacy  
**Request received:** 5/19/2026  
**Contact Person:** Kelly Oliver  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026093 St. Mary's Good Samaritan Hospital, Inc.**

GS Pavilion Project  
**Request received:** 5/20/2026  
**Contact Person:** Jeff Brown, FACHE  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026094 Preston Wesley Investors DBA Southern Manor Senior Living**

Increase in Bed Capacity  
**Request received:** 5/21/2026  
**Contact Person:** Ralph Cowart  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026095 Burke Hospital Company, LLC**

Remodeling  
**Request received:** 5/21/2026  
**Contact Person:** Victor Moldovan  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026096 Burke Hospital Company, LLC**

Service Relocation  
**Request received:** 5/21/2026  
**Contact Person:** Victor Moldovan  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026097 Riverwoods Behavioral Health System**

Riverwoods Bed Capacity Expansion  
**Request received:** 5/26/2026  
**Contact Person:** Charles Kennedy  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026098 Navicent Health Baldwin, Inc., d/b/a Atrium Health Navicent Baldwin**

AHNB Renovations  
**Request received:** 6/1/2026  
**Contact Person:** Drew Dempsey  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026099 The Medical Center of Central Georgia, Inc., d/b/a Atrium Health Navicent, The**

AHN Renovation  
**Request received:** 6/1/2026  
**Contact Person:** Drew Dempsey  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026100 Bethany Assisted Living d/b/a The Lodge at Bethany**

Increase in Units/Beds in Assisted Living Community  
**Request received:** 6/1/2026  
**Contact Person:** Regina Bell  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026101 Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital, Inc.**

Kitchen Renovation  
**Request received:** 6/4/2026  
**Contact Person:** Christopher Kane  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026102 Saint Joseph's Hospital of Atlanta, Inc. d/b/a Emory Saint Joseph's Hospital**

ESJH Renovation of Space to Establish HOPD Mammography Imaging

**Request received:** 6/4/2026

**Contact Person:** Jennifer Goodman

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026103 Hospital Authority of Colquitt County d/b/a Colquitt Regional Medical Center**

Acquisition of Cardiovascular Imaging Equipment

**Request received:** 6/8/2026

**Contact Person:** Jimmy Matney

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2026104 Southland Operations, LLC**

Addition of Magnet Locks on Unit

**Request received:** 6/8/2026

**Contact Person:** Cheryl Griffin

**Determination:** Pending

## Requests for Extended Implementation/Effective Period

none

## 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

2031 Long Term Care Hospital Beds – Posted 5/29/2026

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](#)

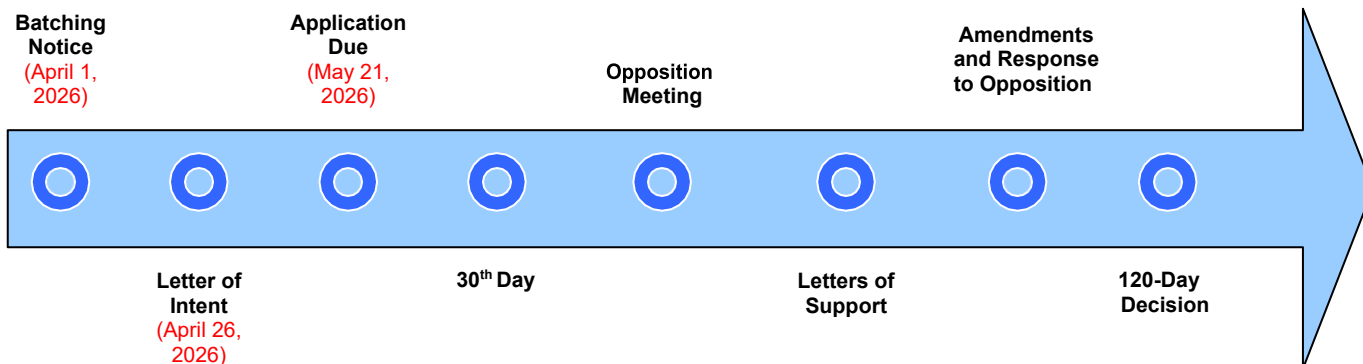
Need Projections can be found on the [“OHP Need Projections” Page](#)

# 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



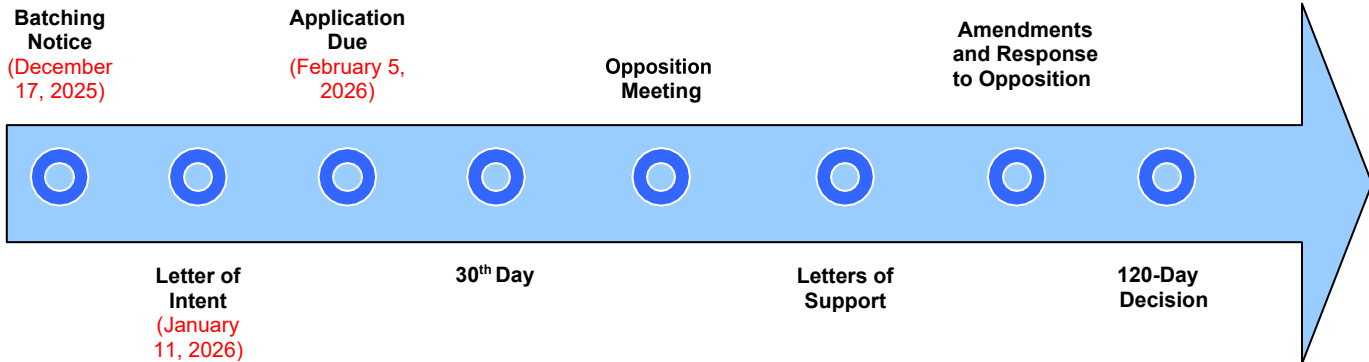
- ▶ Batching Notice issued 25 days before Letter of Intent is due
- ▶ Letter of Intent received by Department 25 days before application is submitted
- ▶ Applications submitted; review cycle begins
- ▶ 30<sup>th</sup> Day; deadline for receipt of opposition notice(s)
- ▶ Opposition Meeting; opposing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

# BATCHED APPLICATIONS

## SEQUENCE OF CERTIFICATE OF NEED APPLICATION REVIEW ACTIVITIES

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

### WINTER CYCLE

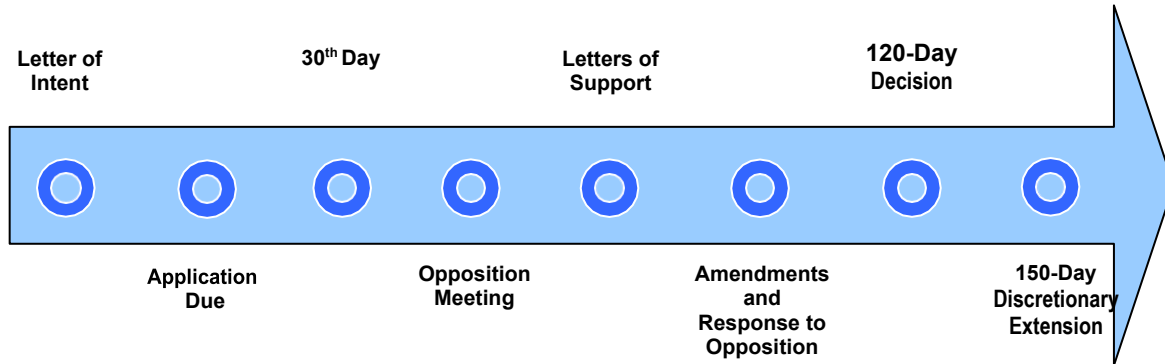


- ▶ Batching Notice issued 25 days before Letter of Intent is due
- ▶ Letter of Intent received by Department 25 days before application is submitted
- ▶ Applications submitted; review cycle begins
- ▶ 30<sup>th</sup> Day; deadline for receipt of opposition notice(s)
- ▶ Opposition Meeting; opposing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

# NON-BATCHED APPLICATIONS

## SEQUENCE OF CERTIFICATE OF NEED APPLICATION REVIEW ACTIVITIES

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



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

## Office of Health Planning Contact Information

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

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

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

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

## Letters of Determination, generally

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

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

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

## Periodic Reporting Requirements

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

**CON Thresholds** become effective annually on July 1. The current and effective thresholds can be found on the CON Thresholds page: <http://dch.georgia.gov/con-thresholds>.

## Special Note

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

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

## Open Record Requests

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

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

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

## Web Links

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

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

Please also visit <https://forms.dch.georgia.gov/HFRD/> for healthcare facility and reporting information.

## LNR Conversion

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

## DET Review, generally

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

## DET-ASC Requests

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

### CERTIFICATE OF NEED APPEAL PANEL

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

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

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

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

## NOTICE REGARDING HB 1339

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

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

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

## IMPORTANT NOTICE RELATED TO REQUESTS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE APPEAL

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

## IMPORTANT NOTICE RELATED TO ELECTRONIC FILINGS

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

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

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

## IMPORTANT NOTICE RELATED TO RECENTLY ADOPTED RULES

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

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

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

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

111-2-2 Health Planning, Certificate of Need

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

**IMPORTANT NOTICE RELATED TO FILING FEE**

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

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