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July 10, 2024 - July 16, 2024

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<u>Updated Certificate of Need Project Forms</u>

**IMPORTANT NOTICES** 

# **Letters of Intent**

none

# **Letters of Intent – Batching**

none

# **Expired Letters of Intent**

LOI2024018 American Health Imaging of Georgia, LLC

**New Imaging Center** 

Received: 6/14/2024 Application must be submitted on: 7/15/2024 Site: 3285 Northpoint Parkway, Building 7, Alpharetta, GA 30005 (Fulton County)

**Estimated Cost:** \$3,500,000

# Withdrawn CON Applications

none

# **New CON Applications**

none

# **Pending Review/Incomplete Applications**

none

# **Pending Review/Complete Applications**

2024-012 Tanner Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Tanner Medical Center - Villa Rica

Construction/Renovation and Expansion of Medical/Surgical Beds

Filed: 3/14/2024 Deemed Incomplete: 3/27/2024 Deemed Complete: 4/25/2024

60th Day Deadline: 6/23/2024 Decision Deadline: 8/22/2024

**Site:** 601 Dallas Highway, Villa Rica, GA 30180 (Carroll County) **Contact:** Greg Schulenburg, EVP, CAO, CIO 770-812-9387

Estimated Cost: \$80,000,000

2024-013 Cartersville Medical Center, LLC d/b/a Piedmont Cartersville Medical

Center

Cost Overrun for CON2019-045

Filed: 3/18/2024 Deemed Incomplete: 3/26/2024 Deemed Complete: 4/8/2024

60th Day Deadline: 6/6/2024 Decision Deadline: 8/5/2024

Site: 960 Frank Harris Parkway, Cartersville, GA 30120 (Bartow County)

Contact: Lindsay Gard, Interim CFO 000-000-0000

**Estimated Cost:** \$1,557,500

2024-014 Piedmont Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Piedmont Atlanta Hospital

Add up to 130 Short-Stay Inpatient Beds

Filed: 4/1/2024 Deemed Complete: 4/15/2024

60th Day Deadline: 6/13/2024 Decision Deadline: 8/12/2024

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

Contact: Sheryl Klink, CFO 404-605-5571

Estimated Cost: \$0

2024-016 Cartersville Medical Center, LLC d/b/a Piedmont Cartersville Medical

Center

**Bed Expansion** 

Filed: 4/8/2024 Deemed Complete: 4/22/2024

60th Day Deadline: 6/20/2024 Decision Deadline: 8/19/2024

**Site:** 960 Joe Frank Harris Parkway, Cartersville, GA 30120 (Bartow County) **Contact:** Lindsay Gard Interim CFO, Corporate Counsel 404-821-6039

**Estimated Cost:** \$17,500,000

2024-021 Northside Hospital, Inc d/b/a North Hospital Forsyth

**Expansion of Sterile Processing Department** 

Filed: 5/1/2024 Deemed Incomplete: 5/15/2024 Deemed Complete: 5/16/2024

60th Day Deadline: 7/14/2024 Decision Deadline: 9/12/2024

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

Contact: Brian J. Toporek Senior Planner 404-851-6821

Estimated Cost: \$21,612,000

2024-022 Grady Memorial Hospital Corporation d/b/a Grady Memorial Hospital

Construction of a Freestanding Emergency Department in Union City

Filed: 6/17/2024 Deemed Complete: 7/1/2024

60th Day Deadline: 8/29/2024 Decision Deadline: 10/28/2024

Site: SE Intersection of US 29 & State Rte 92, Union City, GA 30213 (Fulton County)

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

**Estimated Cost:** \$38,876,114

**Recently Approved Applications** 

2024-005 Columbia Surgicare of Augusta, Ltd d/b/a Augusta Surgical Center

Acquisition of da Vinci Single-Console Xi Robotic Surgical System

Filed: 2/2/2024 Deemed Incomplete: 2/16/2024 Deemed Complete: 3/11/2024

60th Day Deadline: 5/9/2024 Decision Deadline: 7/8/2024 APPROVED: 7/8/2024

Site: 915 Russell Street, Augusta, GA 30904 (Richmond County)

Contact: Leslie Williams, Administrator 706-738-4925

**Estimated Cost:** \$1,518,577

2024-007 University Cancer & Blood Center, LLC

Expansion of MegaVoltage Radiation Therapy Service - Batching

Filed: 2/19/2024 Deemed Complete: 2/19/2024

60th Day Deadline: 4/18/2024 Decision Deadline: 6/17/2024 APPROVED: 6/17/2024

Site: 3320 Old Jefferson Road, Building 800, Athens, GA 30607 (Clarke County)

Contact: Loretta Goodson, CEO 706-353-5016

**Estimated Cost:** \$2,349,335

2024-010 Paulding Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Paulding Medical Center

Construction of New Bed Tower and Addition of Acute Care Beds

Filed: 2/26/2024 Deemed Complete: 3/11/2024 Deemed Complete: 3/12/2024

60th Day Deadline: 5/10/2024 Decision Deadline: 7/9/2024 APPROVED: 7/9/2024

**Site:** 2518 Jimmy Lee Smith Parkway, Hiram, GA 30141 (Paulding County) **Contact:** James Satcher, Regulatory Planning Consultant 470-991-1834

Estimated Cost: \$304,950,661

**Recently Denied Applications** 

#### 2024-008 Pro Radiology, LLC d/b/a American Health Imaging of Johns Creek

Replacement of Existing MRI and CT Scanners and Addition of a Second MRI Scanner

Filed: 2/22/2024 Deemed Complete: 3/7/2024

60th Day Deadline: 5/5/2024 Decision Deadline: 7/4/2024

**DENIED: 7/3/2024** 

Site: 3921 Johns Creek Court Suite B, Suwanee, GA 30024 (Forsyth County)

Contact: R. Darr McKeown, MD, Sole Member 404-606-5887

**Estimated Cost:** \$4,340,846

#### 2024-009 Synergy Radiology, LLC d/b/a American Health Imaging of Douglasville

Replacement of Existing MRI and CT Scanners and Addition of a Second MRI Scanner Filed: 2/22/2024 Deemed Incomplete: 3/5/2024 Deemed Complete: 3/5/2024

60th Day Deadline: 5/3/2024 Decision Deadline: 7/2/2024

**DENIED: 7/2/2024** 

Site: 9459 Highway 5, Suites P, Q, R, T, Douglasville, GA 30135 (Douglas County)

Contact: Bradley Peters, MD, Sole Member 470-412-6300

**Estimated Cost:** \$4,589,340

# **Disqualified Applications**

none

# **Appealed Determinations**

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

Agency Decision: Denied on 8/21/2019.

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

Hearing Officer: Dr. L. Lynn Hogue

Hearing Date: N/A

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer denied WellStar Windy Hill's Motion for Summary Adjudication and affirmed the Department's 8/21/2019 determination, 10/2/2020. WellStar Windy Hill requests Commissioner Review, 11/2/2020. **Commissioner Review Decision:** Affirmed Hearing Officer's 10/2/2020 decision to deny WellStar Windy Hill's Motion for Summary Adjudication, 12/1/2020. WellStar Windy Hill filed Petition for Judicial Review, 12/31/2020.

**Superior Court of Cobb County**: Court grants Windy Hill's Petition for Judicial Review and reverses Final Order of the Department, 5/24/21. Emory files Application for Discretionary Appeal in the Court of Appeals of Georgia, 6/21/2021. Department files application for Discretionary Appeal in the Court of Appeals of Georgia, 6/23/2021.

**Court of Appeals:** Grants Department's Application for Discretionary Appeal, 7/15/2021. Reverses Superior Court of Cobb County's 5/24/21 judgment granting Windy Hill's Petition for Judicial Review and reversing Final Order of the Department, 6/29/2022. WellStar Windy Hill files Notice of Intention to Petition for Writ of Certiorari, 7/10/2022. WellStar Windy Hill's Petition for Writ of Certiorari filed in the Georgia Supreme Court, 7/19/2022.

Court of Appeals Ruling on Remand: Pending

**Supreme Court:** Grants WellStar Windy Hill's Petition for Writ of Certiorari, 5/2/2023. Vacates Court of Appeal's final decision and remands the case to the Court of Appeals, 2/6/2024.

DET2022-042 Resurgens East Surgery Center, LLC Request for Letter of Determination received on 2/18/2022,

regarding restructuring a single group practice of physicians.

Agency Decision: Approved on 5/20/2022

Appealed: Georgia Alliance of Community Hospitals (the "Alliance") files Reguest for Administrative Appeal on 6/17/2022.

Hearing Officer: Dr. L. Lynn Hogue

Hearing Date: Pending

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer grants Resurgens ASCs' Motion for Summary Determination and affirms Department's 5/20/2022 decision, 8/9/2023. The Alliance requests Commissioner Review, 9/7/2023.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Affirms Hearing Officer's 8/9/2023 order granting Resurgens ASCs' Motion for Summary Determination and affirms Department's 5/20/2022 decision, 10/6/2023. The Alliance files Petition for Judicial Review, 11/3/2023.

**Superior Court of Tift County:** Grants the Alliance's Petition for Judicial review and remands case to the Department for continued proceedings before a Hearing Officer, 3/1/2024. Resurgens ASC files Application for Discretionary Appeal in the Georgia Court of Appeals, 3/25/2024.

Court of Appeals: Dismisses Resurgens ASC's Application for Discretionary Appeal, 4/24/2024.

**DET2022-043 Resurgens Fayette Surgery Center, LLC** Request for Letter of Determination received on 2/18/2022, regarding restructuring a single group practice of physicians.

Agency Decision: Approved on 5/20/2022

Appealed: Georgia Alliance of Community Hospitals (the "Alliance") files Request for Administrative Appeal on 6/17/2022.

Hearing Officer: Dr. L. Lynn Hogue

Hearing Date: Pending

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer grants Resurgens ASCs' Motion for Summary Determination and affirms Department's 5/20/2022 decision, 8/9/2023. The Alliance requests Commissioner Review, 9/7/2023.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Affirms Hearing Officer's 8/9/2023 order granting Resurgens ASCs' Motion for Summary Determination and affirms Department's 5/20/2022 decision, 10/6/2023. The Alliance files Petition for Judicial Review, 11/3/2023.

**Superior Court of Tift County:** Grants the Alliance's Petition for Judicial review and remands case to the Department for continued proceedings before a Hearing Officer, 3/1/2024. Resurgens ASC files Application for Discretionary Appeal in the Georgia Court of Appeals, 3/25/2024.

Court of Appeals: Dismisses Resurgens ASC's Application for Discretionary Appeal, 4/24/2024.

**DET2022-044 Orthopedic South Surgical Partners, LLC** Request for Letter of Determination received on 2/18/2022, regarding restructuring a single group practice of physicians.

Agency Decision: Approved on 5/20/2022

Appealed: Georgia Alliance of Community Hospitals (the "Alliance") files Request for Administrative Appeal on 6/17/2022.

Hearing Officer: Dr. L. Lynn Hogue

Hearing Date: Pending

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer grants Resurgens ASCs' Motion for Summary Determination and affirms Department's 5/20/2022 decision, 8/9/2023. The Alliance requests Commissioner Review, 9/7/2023.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Affirms Hearing Officer's 8/9/2023 order granting Resurgens ASCs' Motion for Summary Determination and affirms Department's 5/20/2022 decision, 10/6/2023. The Alliance files Petition for Judicial Review, 11/3/2023.

**Superior Court of Tift County:** Grants the Alliance's Petition for Judicial review and remands case to the Department for continued proceedings before a Hearing Officer, 3/1/2024. Resurgens ASC files Application for Discretionary Appeal in the Georgia Court of Appeals, 3/25/2024.

Court of Appeals: Dismisses Resurgens ASC's Application for Discretionary Appeal, 4/24/2024.

**DET2022-045 Lawrenceville Surgery Center, LLC** Request for Letter of Determination received on 2/18/2022, regarding restructuring a single group practice of physicians.

**Agency Decision:** Approved on 5/20/2022

Appealed: Georgia Alliance of Community Hospitals (the "Alliance") files Request for Administrative Appeal on 6/17/2022.

Hearing Officer: Dr. L. Lynn Hogue

Hearing Date: Pending

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer grants Resurgens ASCs' Motion for Summary Determination and affirms Department's 5/20/2022 decision, 8/9/2023. The Alliance requests Commissioner Review, 9/7/2023.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Affirms Hearing Officer's 8/9/2023 order granting Resurgens ASCs' Motion for Summary Determination and affirms Department's 5/20/2022 decision, 10/6/2023. The Alliance files Petition for Judicial Review, 11/3/2023.

**Superior Court of Tift County:** Grants the Alliance's Petition for Judicial review and remands case to the Department for continued proceedings before a Hearing Officer, 3/1/2024. Resurgens ASC files Application for Discretionary Appeal in the Georgia Court of Appeals, 3/25/2024.

Court of Appeals: Dismisses Resurgens ASC's Application for Discretionary Appeal, 4/24/2024.

**DET2022-046 Northwest Georgia Orthopaedic Surgery Center, L.L.C.** Request for Letter of Determination received on 2/18/2022, regarding restructuring a single group practice of physicians.

Agency Decision: Approved on 5/20/2022

Appealed: Georgia Alliance of Community Hospitals (the "Alliance") files Request for Administrative Appeal on 6/17/2022.

Hearing Officer: Dr. L. Lynn Hogue

Hearing Date: Pending

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer grants Resurgens ASCs' Motion for Summary Determination and affirms Department's 5/20/2022 decision, 8/9/2023. The Alliance requests Commissioner Review, 9/7/2023.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Affirms Hearing Officer's 8/9/2023 order granting Resurgens ASCs' Motion for Summary Determination and affirms Department's 5/20/2022 decision, 10/6/2023. The Alliance files Petition for Judicial Review, 11/3/2023.

**Superior Court of Tift County:** Grants the Alliance's Petition for Judicial review and remands case to the Department for continued proceedings before a Hearing Officer, 3/1/2024. Resurgens ASC files Application for Discretionary Appeal in the Georgia Court of Appeals, 3/25/2024.

Court of Appeals: Dismisses Resurgens ASC's Application for Discretionary Appeal, 4/24/2024.

**DET2022-047 Roswell Surgery Center, L.L.C.** Request for Letter of Determination received on 2/18/2022, regarding restructuring a single group practice of physicians.

**Agency Decision:** Approved on 5/20/2022

Appealed: Georgia Alliance of Community Hospitals (the "Alliance") files Request for Administrative Appeal on 6/17/2022.

Hearing Officer: Dr. L. Lynn Hogue

Hearing Date: Pending

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer grants Resurgens ASCs' Motion for Summary Determination and affirms Department's 5/20/2022 decision, 8/9/2023. The Alliance requests Commissioner Review, 9/7/2023.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Affirms Hearing Officer's 8/9/2023 order granting Resurgens ASCs' Motion for Summary Determination and affirms Department's 5/20/2022 decision, 10/6/2023. The Alliance files Petition for Judicial Review, 11/3/2023.

**Superior Court of Tift County:** Grants the Alliance's Petition for Judicial review and remands case to the Department for continued proceedings before a Hearing Officer, 3/1/2024. Resurgens ASC files Application for Discretionary Appeal in the Georgia Court of Appeals, 3/25/2024.

Court of Appeals: Dismisses Resurgens ASC's Application for Discretionary Appeal, 4/24/2024.

**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

**DET-ASC2022-021 Athens Orthopedic Clinic Ambulatory Surgery Center-SPARC, LLC** Request for Letter of Determination received on 9/16/2022, regarding the establishment of a Single Specialty Ambulatory Surgical Center.

Agency Decision: Approved on 3/15/2023

Appealed: Piedmont Athens Regional Medical Center, Inc. ("PARMC") files Request for Administrative Appeal on

3/31/2023.

Hearing Officer: Melvin M. Goldstein, Esq.

Hearing Date: N/A

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer grants Athens Orthopedic Clinic Ambulatory Surgery Center-SPARC, LLC's Motion for Summary Adjudication, denies PARMC's Motion for Summary Adjudication, and affirms the Department's issuance of DET-ASC2022-021, 2/27/2024. PARMC requests Commissioner Review, 3/27/2024.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Affirms Hearing Officer's 2/27/2024 order granting Athens Orthopedic Clinic Ambulatory Surgery Center-SPARC, LLC's Motion for Summary Adjudication and affirms Department's 3/15/2023 decision, 4/26/2024. PARMC files Petition for Judicial Review, 5/30/2024.

Superior Court of Fulton County: 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

# **Appealed LNRs**

none

# **Appealed CON Projects**

2018-072 Braselton ASC, LLC (Hall)

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

2018-072 Establish Multi-Specialty Freestanding ASC with Four ORs and Two Procedure Rooms 2018-073 Establish Multi-Specialty Freestanding ASC with Three ORs and One Procedure Room

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

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

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

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

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

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

Hearing Officer: Melvin M. Goldstein, Esq.

Hearing Date: 6/16-18-2021, 9:00 A.M. / Remote Video Conference

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer affirms Department's decision to grant a CON to Braselton ASC and reverses Department's decision to deny BSSC's application, ordering the Department to issue a CON to both projects, 10/22/2021. Braselton ASC, NGMC-South Hall Campus, NGMC-Main Campus, and NGMC Barrow file for Commissioner Review, 11/22/2021

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Affirms Hearing Officer's 10/22/2021 decision to issue a CON to both projects, 12/22/2021. Braselton ASC, NGMC-South Hall Campus, NGMC-Main Campus, and NGMC Barrow file Petition for Judicial Review in Superior Court of Hall County, 1/20/2022.

**Superior Court of Hall County:** Denies Braselton ASC's, NGMC-South Hall Campus's, NGMC-Main Campus's, and NGMC Barrow's Petition for Judicial Review and affirms 12/22/2021 Commissioner Review decision to grant a CON to BSSC, 6/15/2022. Braselton ASC, NGMC-South Hall Campus, NGMC-Main Campus, and NGMC Barrow file Application for Discretionary Appeal in the Georgia Court of Appeals. 7/15/2022.

**Court of Appeals:** Grants Braselton ASC's, NGMC-South Hall Campus', NGMC-Main Campus', and NGMC Barrow's Application for Discretionary Appeal, 8/8/2022. Affirms Superior Court's denial of Braselton ASC's, NGMC-South Hall Campus', NGMC-Main Campus', and NGMC Barrow's Petition for Judicial Review, 5/3/2023. Braselton ASC, NGMC-South Hall Campus, NGMC-Main Campus, and NGMC Barrow file Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the Georgia Supreme Court, 6/12/2023.

Court of Appeals Ruling on Remand: Pending

**Supreme Court:** Grants Braselton ASC's, NGMC-South Hall Campus', NGMC-Main Campus', and NGMC Barrow's Petition for Certiorari, vacates judgment, and remands case to the Court of Appeals for reconsideration, 3/19/2024.

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

Construction of Freestanding Emergency Department

Agency Decision: Approved, 6/9/2020

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

Hearing Officer: William C. Joy, Esq.

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

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

Commissioner Review Decision: Reverses Hearing Officer's 2/25/2021 decision to deny a CON to Coliseum and reinstates the Department's approval of CON Project No. GA 2020-003, 4/26/2021. Houston files Petition for Judicial Review in Superior Court of Houston County, 5/26/2021. The Medical Center files Petition for Judicial Review in Superior Court of Bibb County, 5/26/2021. Peach files Petition for Judicial Review in Superior Court of Peach County, 5/26/2021. Reverses Hearing Officer's 2/25/2021 decision to deny a CON to Coliseum and reinstates the Department's approval of CON Project No. GA 2020-003, 1/27/2023. Houston files Petition for Judicial Review on Remand in Superior Court of Houston County, 2/23/2023. Peach files Petition for Judicial Review on Remand in Superior Court of Peach County, 2/27/2023.

**Superior Court of Bibb County**: The Medical Center files Notice of Voluntary Dismissal of Petition for Judicial Review, 6/25/2021.

**Superior Court of Peach County:** Denies Department's Motion to Transfer, 7/22/2021. Grants Peach's Petition for Judicial Review and reverses Commissioner's 4/26/2021 decision, and denies Coliseum's CON, 11/10/2021. The Department files Application for Discretionary Appeal in the Georgia Court of Appeals, 12/10/2021. Coliseum files Application for Discretionary Appeal in the Georgia Court of Appeals, 12/10/2021. Vacates Department's final decision and remands the case to the Department, 11/23/2022. Grants Peach's Petition for Judicial Review on Remand, reverses Commissioner's 1/27/2023 Remand Order, and denies Coliseum's CON application, 7/6/2023. Coliseum files Application for Discretionary Appeal in the Georgia Court of Appeals, 8/4/2023. The Department files Application for Discretionary Appeal in the Georgia Court of Appeals, 8/7/2023.

**Superior Court of Houston County:** Denies Department's Motion to Transfer, 7/31/2021. Grants Houston's Petition for Judicial Review, reverses Commissioner's 4/26/2021 decision, and denies Coliseum's CON, 11/4/2021. The Department files Application for Discretionary Appeal in the Georgia Court of Appeals, 12/6/2021. Coliseum files Application for Discretionary Appeal in the Georgia Court of Appeals, 12/6/2021. Vacates Department's final decision and remands the case to the Department, 11/22/2022. Grants Houston's Petition for Judicial Review on Remand, reverses Commissioner's 1/27/2023 Remand Order, and denies Coliseum's CON application, 5/25/2023. Coliseum files Application for Discretionary Appeal in the Georgia Court of Appeals, 6/26/2023. The Department files Application for Discretionary Appeal in the Georgia Court of Appeals, 6/26/2023.

Court of Appeals: Grants the Department's Application for Discretionary Appeal, 12/30/2021 (Houston). Grants Coliseum's Application for Discretionary Appeal, 1/4/2022. (Houston). Grants the Department's Application for Discretionary Appeal, 1/7/2022 (Peach). Grants Coliseum's Application for Discretionary Appeal, 1/7/2022 (Peach). Vacates Superior Court of Houston County and Superior Court of Peach County decisions with instructions to remand the case to the Department, 10/26/2022. Grants the Department's Application for Discretionary Appeal, 7/21/2023 (Houston). Grants Coliseum's Application for Discretionary Appeal, 8/28/2023 (Peach). Grants the Department's Application for Discretionary Appeal, 8/28/2023 (Peach). Affirms the judgments of the Superior Courts, reversing the Department's decision to grant a CON to Coliseum, 6/27/2024.

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

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

2020-004 Construction of Freestanding Emergency Department

2020-005 Construction of Freestanding Emergency Department

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

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

Hearing Officer: David C. Will, Esq.

**Hearing Date:** 1/19-22/2021, 1/25-28/2021, 9:30 A.M. / Remote Video Conference; 1/20-21/2022, 1/24-28/2022, 1/31/2022, 2/1/2022, 9:00 A.M. / Remote Video Conference

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

Hearing Decision on Remand: Hearing Officer affirms Department's decisions to grant Certificates of Need to Savannah Health Services, LLC d/b/a Memorial Health University Medical Ctr, 6/6/2024. St. Joseph's files for Commissioner Review, 6/28/2024 (2020-004, 2020-005). Candler files for Commissioner Review, 6/28/2024 (2020-004, 2020-005). Liberty files for Commissioner Review, 6/28/2024 (2020-004). Effingham files for Commissioner Review, 6/28/2024 (2020-005).

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

#### Commissioner Review Decision on Remand: Pending

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

Establish Hospital-Based Radiation Therapy Services on Campus - Batching

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

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

Hearing Officer: Melvin M. Goldstein, Esq.

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

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer reverses the Department's decision to grant a CON to Northside Hospital Gwinnett, 4/21/2021. Northside Hospital Gwinnett files for Commissioner Review. 5/21/2021.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Reverses Hearing Officer's 4/21/2021 decision to deny a CON to Northside Hospital Gwinnett and reinstates the Department's approval of CON Project No. GA 2020-015, 6/18/2021. Vantage-Lawrenceville, RCOG-Lawrenceville, and RCOG-Snellville file Petition for Judicial Review in Superior Court of Gwinnett County, 7/16/2021. NGMC-Main Campus and NGMC-South Hall file Petition for Judicial Review in Superior Court of Hall County, 7/16/2021

**Superior Court of Gwinnett County:** Denies Vantage-Lawrenceville's, RCOG-Lawrenceville's, and RCOG-Snellville's Petition for Judicial Review and affirms 6/18/2021 Commissioner Review decision, 11/24/2021.

Superior Court of Hall County: Grants NGMC-Main Campus and NGMC-South Hall's Petition for Judicial Review and reverses 6/18/2021 Commissioner Review decision, denying Northside Hospital Gwinnett a Certificate of Need, 12/1/2021. Northside Hospital Gwinnett files Application for Discretionary Appeal in the Georgia Court of Appeals, 12/31/2021. The Department files Application for Discretionary Appeal in the Georgia Court of Appeals, 12/31/2021. Court of Appeals: Grants Northside Hospital Gwinnett's Application for Discretionary Appeal, 1/21/2022. Affirms Superior Court of Gwinnett County's 11/24/2021 judgment and reverses Superior Court of Hall County's 12/1/2021 judgment, granting a CON to Northside Hospital Gwinnett, 10/26/2022. NGMC-Main Campus and NGMC-South Hall file Consolidated Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the Georgia Supreme Court, 12/5/2022. RCOG-Lawrenceville, RCOG-Snellville, and Vantage-Lawrenceville file Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the Georgia Supreme Court, 12/5/2022.

#### Court of Appeals Ruling on Remand: Pending

**Supreme Court:** Grants NGMC-Main Campus' and NGMC-South Hall's Consolidated Petition for Writ of Certiorari, 7/13/2023. Grants RCOG-Lawrenceville's, RCOG-Snellville's, and Vantage-Lawrenceville's Petitions for Writ of Certiorari, 7/13/2023. Vacates Court of Appeals' final decision and remands the case to the Court of Appeals, 2/20/2024.

#### 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.

Commissioner Review Decision: Pending

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

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

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

**Appealed By:** Doctors Hospital of Augusta, LLC d/b/a Doctors Hospital of Augusta ("Doctors"), 8/27/2020. University Health Services, Inc. ("University"), 9/3/2020. University McDuffie County Regional Medical Center, Inc. ("University-McDuffie"), 9/3/2020.

Hearing Officer: 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, 9:00 A.M. / Remote Video

Conference

#### 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, 9:00 A.M. / Remote Video

Conference

#### 2022-007 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Forsyth (Hall)

Offer Mobile PET/CT Service at Northside/Gainesville Imaging – Batching

Agency Decision: Approved, 6/24/2022

**Appealed By:** Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Northeast Georgia Medical Center-Main Campus ("NGMC-Main Campus"), 7/22/2022. Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Forsyth ("Northside") files Request to Intervene, 7/25/2022.

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

Hearing Date: 12/12-16/2022, 9:00 A.M. / Remote Video Conference

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer affirms Department's decision to grant a CON to Northside, 4/3/2023. NGMC-Main Campus files for Commissioner Review, 5/3/2023.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Affirms Hearing Officer's 4/3/2023 decision to grant a CON to Northside, 6/2/2023. NGMC-Main Campus files Petition for Judicial Review in Superior Court of Hall County, 6/30/2023.

**Superior Court of Hall County:** Denies NGMC-Main Campus' Petition for Judicial Review, in part, grants NGMC-Main Campus' Petition for Judicial Review, in part, and reverses 6/2/2023 Commissioner Review decision, 11/21/2023. Northside files Application for Discretionary Appeal in the Georgia Court of Appeals, 12/21/2023.

Court of Appeals: Grants Northside's Application for Discretionary Appeal, 1/17/2024.

#### 2022-008 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Forsyth (Gwinnett)

Offer Mobile PET/CT Service at Northside/Sugar Hill Imaging – Batching

**Agency Decision:** Approved, 6/24/2022

**Appealed By:** Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Northeast Georgia Medical Center-Main Campus ("NGMC-Main Campus"), 7/22/2022. Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Forsyth ("Northside") files Request to Intervene. 7/25/2022.

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

Hearing Date: 12/12-16/2022, 9:00 A.M. / Remote Video Conference

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer affirms Department's decision to grant a CON to Northside, 4/3/2023. NGMC-Main Campus files for Commissioner Review, 5/3/2023.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Affirms Hearing Officer's 4/3/2023 decision to grant a CON to Northside, 6/2/2023. NGMC-Main Campus files Petition for Judicial Review in Superior Court of Hall County, 6/30/2023.

**Superior Court of Hall County:** Denies NGMC-Main Campus' Petition for Judicial Review and affirms 6/2/2023 Commissioner Review decision, 11/21/2023. NGMC-Main Campus files Application for Discretionary Appeal in the Georgia Court of Appeals, 12/21/2023.

Court of Appeals: Grants NGMC-Main Campus' Application for Discretionary Appeal, 1/17/2024.

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

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

Agency Decision: Denied, 9/23/2022

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

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

Hearing Date: Pending

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

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

Agency Decision: Denied, 9/23/2022

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

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

Hearing Date: Pending

### 2023-007 EHCA Johns Creek LLC d/b/a Emory Johns Creek Hospital (Fulton)

Establishment of Non-Special MegaVoltage Radiation Therapy Services - Batching

Agency Decision: Denied, 6/16/2023

**Appealed By:** EHCA John's Creek, LLC d/b/a Emory John's Creek Hospital ("EJCH"), 6/27/2023. Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Northeast Georgia Medical Center-Main Campus ("NGMC-Main Campus") files Request to Intervene, 6/30/2023. Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Northeast Georgia Medical Center-South Hall ("NGMC-South Hall") files Request to Intervene, 6/30/2023.

Hearing Officer: William C. Joy, Esq.

Hearing Date: 12/11-15/2023, 9:00 A.M. / Remote Video Conference

Hearing Decision: Affirms Department's decision to deny a CON to EJCH, 3/12/2024. EJCH files for Commissioner

Review, 4/11/2024.

Commissioner Review Decision: Affirms Hearing Officer's 3/12/2024 decision to deny EJCH's CON application,

5/10/2024. EJHC files Petition for Judicial Review in Superior Court of Fulton County, 6/11/2024.

Superior Court of Fulton County: Pending

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

Establishment of Non-Special MegaVoltage Radiation Therapy Service - Batching

Agency Decision: Denied, 6/16/2023

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

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

Hearing Date: Pending

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

Addition of PET/CT Unit – Batching **Agency Decision:** Approved, 6/16/2023

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

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

Hearing Date: Pending

#### 2023-041 ProHealth Home Health-Georgia, LLC d/b/a ProHealth Home Health (Cobb)

Establish Home Health Service in SSDR 3 - Batching

Agency Decision: Denied, 9/26/2023

Appealed By: ProHealth Home Health - Georgia, LLC d/b/a ProHealth Home Health - Marietta ("ProHealth"),

10/23/2023. Faith Medical Agency, LLC files Request to Intervene, 10/30/2023. Faith Medical Agency, LLC withdraws

Request to Intervene, 11/9/2023.

Hearing Officer: Carl P. Dowling, Esq.

**Hearing Date:** Continued until further notice

Hearing Decision: Grants ProHealth's Motion for Summary Judgment and reverses the Department's 9/26/2023 decision

to deny a CON to ProHealth, 5/15/2024. The Department files for Commissioner Review, 5/31/2024.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Reverses Hearing Officer's 5/15/2024 Order that granted ProHealth's Motion for Summary Judgment and reversed the Department's decision to deny ProHealth a Certificate of Need, 6/28/2024.

#### 2023-064 Piedmont Community Imaging, LLC d/b/a Piedmont Community Imaging at Marietta (Cobb)

Establishment of Freestanding Imaging Center

Agency Decision: Approved, 2/27/2024

**Appealed By:** Wellstar Kennestone Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Kennestone Regional Medical Center ("Wellstar

Kennestone"), 3/21/2024.

Hearing Officer: Ronald E. Daniels, Esq.

Hearing Date: 8/5-8/2024, 9:30 A.M. / Remote Video Conference

#### 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

# Requests for DET-EQT for Diagnostic or Therapeutic Equipment

#### DET-EQT2024030 ARA Holdings, LLC

Acquisition of MRI Unit Request received: 3/26/2024 Contact Person: Catherine S. Dorvil

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 6/28/2024

#### DET-EQT2024034 West Georgia Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar West Georgia Medical Center

Wellstar West Georgia Mobile MRI Lease

Request received: 4/15/2024 Contact Person: James Satcher

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed 
Determination Date: 6/18/2024

# DET-EQT2024035 Northside Hospital Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Gwinnett

Purchase MRI

Request received: 4/16/2024 Contact Person: Brian J. Toporek

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 6/18/2024

### DET-EQT2024036 AICA Orthopedics, P.C.

Acquistion of 1.5T MRI System

Request received: 4/17/2024

Contact Person: Everette Jenkins

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 6/25/2024

#### DET-EQT2024038 East Georgia Regional Medical Center, LLC

Purchase da Vinci Surgical Robot Request received: 4/17/2024 Contact Person: Ben Hughes

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 6/25/2024

#### DET-EQT2024039 Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Inc.

Purchase da Vinci Robot Surgery System

Request received: 4/18/2024 Contact Person: Linda Berger

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 6/21/2024

### DET-EQT2024041 Apex Spine and Neurosurgery, LLC

Purchase Fixed CT Scanner Request received: 4/23/2024 Contact Person: Joseph R. Ross

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed 
Determination Date: 6/25/2024

# DET-EQT2024042 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Forsyth

Temporary Use of Mobile MRI Unit Request received: 4/26/2024 Contact Person: Brian Toporek

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 6/25/2024

#### DET-EQT2024043 Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Inc.

CT at Gainesville Outpatient Imaging Center

Request received: 5/8/2024 Contact Person: Linda Berger

**Determination Date: 7/12/2024 Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed

#### DET-EQT2024044 Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Inc. Purchase MRI for Braselton Outpatient Imaging Center

Request received: 5/15/2024 Contact Person: Linda Berger

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date: 7/12/2024** 

# DET-EQT2024045 South Georgia Medical Center, Inc.

MRI Purchase

Request received: 5/23/2024 Contact Person: Michele Madison

**Determination:** Pending

### DET-EQT2024046 Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Inc.

Purchase of ION Robot at Gainesville Campus

Request received: 5/24/2024 Contact Person: Linda Berger **Determination:** Pending

#### DET-EQT2024047 AICA Orthopedics, P.C.

**Equipment Below Threshold** Request received: 5/28/2024

Contact Person: Francis Acquah, MD

**Determination:** Pending

#### DET-EQT2024048 Kennestone Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Kennestone Regional Medical Center

Purchase of 3T MRI

Request received: 6/5/2024 Contact Person: James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

#### **DET-EQT2024049 Saint Joseph's Hospital of Atlanta**

ESJH da Vinci 5

Request received: 6/5/2024 Contact Person: Kevin Andrews

**Determination:** Pending

### DET-EQT2024050 Saint Joseph's Hospital of Atlanta, Inc.

ESJH Endoscopic Fluoroscopy Unit Request received: 6/5/2024 Contact Person: Kevin Andrews

**Determination:** Pending

#### DET-EQT2024051 Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital, Inc.

Replacement CT Scanner Request received: 6/5/2024

Contact Person: Christopher M. Kane

**Determination:** Pending

#### DET-EQT2024052 Emsite Health, LLC

CT Scanner System

Request received: 6/7/2024 Contact Person: Joseph R. Ross

**Determination:** Pending

### DET-EQT2024055 Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital, Inc.

Temporary Lease of Mobile CT Scanner

Request received: 6/11/2024

Contact Person: Christopher M. Kane

**Determination:** Pending

**DET-EQT2024056 Washington County Regional Medical Center** 

Replacement of MRI

Request received: 6/17/2024

Contact Person: Michele P. Madison, Esq.

**Determination:** Pending

DET-EQT2024058 Cobb Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Cobb Hospital

Wellstar Cobb Hospital Mobile MRI Request received: 6/19/2024 Contact Person: James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

DET-EQT2024059 Kennestone Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Kennestone Regional Medical Center

Wellstar Kennestone Towne Lake Imaging HOD CT Acquisition

Request received: 6/19/2024 Contact Person: James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

DET-EQT2024060 West Georgia Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar West Georgia Medical Center

Upgrades to Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)

Request received: 6/25/2024 Contact Person: James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

DET-EQT2024061 Kennestone Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Windy Hill Hospital

Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) Upgrade

Request received: 6/27/2024 Contact Person: James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

DET-EQT2024062 Kennestone Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Kennestone Regional Medical Center

Wellstar Kennestone Neurology Imaging HOD MRI Purchase

Request received: 6/27/2024 Contact Person: James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

DET-EQT2024063 Kennestone Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Kennestone Regional Medical Center

Lease of a Mobile MRI for Use by a WKRMC Hospital Outpatient Department (HOD)

Request received: 6/27/2024 Contact Person: James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

DET-EQT2024064 Kennestone Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Kennestone Regional Medical Center

Lease a Moble MRI for Use by a WKRMC Hospital Outpatient Deprtment (HOD)

Request received: 6/27/2024 Contact Person: James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

DET-EQT2024065 American Health Imaging of Georgia, LLC d/b/a American Health Imaging of

Determination Authorizing the Replacement of Existing CT Scanner

Request received: 7/1/2024

Contact Person: Rebecca M. Thornhill

**Determination:** Pending

DET-EQT2024066 American Health Imaging of Georgia LLC d/b/a American Health Imaging of

Determination Authorizing Replacement of Existing CT Scanner

Request received: 7/1/2024

Contact Person: Rebecca M. Thornhill

**Determination:** Pending

#### DET-EQT2024067 Grady Memorial Hospital Corporation d/b/a Grady Health System

Da Vinci Surgical Robot Request received: 7/1/2024 Contact Person: Mike McCarthy

**Determination:** Pending

#### DET-EQT2024068 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Forsyth

Acquisition of PET Scanner Request received: 7/1/2024 Contact Person: Brian Toporek Determination: Pending

# DET-EQT2024069 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Atlanta

Acquisition of PET Scanner Request received: 7/1/2024 Contact Person: Brian Toporek

**Determination:** Pending

#### DET-EQT2024070 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Cherokee

Acquisition of PET Scanner Request received: 7/1/2024 Contact Person: Brian Toporek

**Determination:** Pending

#### DET-EQT2024071 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Cherokee

Acquisition of Mobile PET Scanner Request received: 7/1/2024 Contact Person: Brian Toporek Determination: Pending

#### DET-EQT2024072 Atlanta Heart Specialists, LLC

Acquistion of Fixed Cardiovascular PET/CT

Request received: 7/2/2024 Contact Person: Everette B Jenkins

**Determination:** Pending

#### DET-EQT2024073 MDS Imaging, Inc.

Acquistion of Mobile MRI System

Request received: 7/2/2024

Contact Person: Everette B Jenkins

**Determination:** Pending

# DET-EQT2024074 MDS Imaging, Inc.

Acquisition of Fixed Based MRI Request received: 7/2/2024 Contact Person: Everette B Jenkins

**Determination:** Pending

# DET-EQT2024075 MDS Imaging, Inc.

Acqusition of a Fixed Based CT Scanner

Request received: 7/2/2024

Contact Person: Everette B Jenkins

**Determination:** Pending

#### DET-EQT2024076 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Atlanta

Acquisition of MRI Scanner Request received: 7/2/2024 Contact Person: Brian Toporek

**Determination:** Pending

#### DET-EQT2024077 Augusta Orthopedic & Sports Medicine Specialists, P.C.

Acquisition of Fixed MRI Request received: 7/3/2024

Contact Person: Rebecca Thornhill

**Determination:** Pending

DET-EQT2024078 Douglas Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Douglas Hospital

Wellstar Douglas Mobile CT Request received: 7/3/2024 Contact Person: James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

DET-EQT2024079 Hospital Authority of Colquitt County d/b/a Colquitt Regional Medical Center

Purchase of New PET-CT Equipment

Request received: 7/9/2024 Contact Person: Dena Zinker Determination: Pending

DET-EQT2024080 Dekalb Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Emory Decatur Hospital

Lease Fixed da Vinci Xi Single Console System

Request received: 7/12/2024 Contact Person: Jennifer Schuck

**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-ASC2024014 Phoenix Ortho Injury Spine and Extremity Medical Services, LLC

Establish a Single Specialty Ambulatory Surgical Center

**Site:** 1805 Park Plaza Circle, Ste 101, Stone Mountain, GA, 30087 **Number of OR's:** 1 **Specialty:** Orthopedic Surgery

Project costs as submitted: \$2,234,193.00

Request received: 4/14/2024 Contact Person: Everette Jenkins

**Determination:** Approved **Determination Date:** 7/1/2024

DET-ASC2024015 Georgia Urology, P.A.

Establish a Single Specialty Ambulatory Surgical Center Site: 1223 Friendship Road, Braselton, GA 30517 Number of OR's: 2 Specialty: Urology Project costs as submitted: \$4,010,353.38

Request received: 4/22/2024 Contact Person: Dan Fellner

**Determination:** Approved **Determination Date:** 6/28/2024

DET-ASC2024021 Georgia Interventional Pain - Q, LLC

Establish a Single Speciality Ambulatory Surgical Center

Site: 5670 Old Winder Highway, Suite 104, Braselton, GA, 30517

Number of OR's: 1 Specialty: Pain Medicine

Project costs as submitted: \$1,118,628.00

Request received: 6/17/2024 Contact Person: Joseph R. Ross

**Determination:** Pending

**Requests for Miscellaneous Letters of Determination** 

DET2023224 DeKalb Gastroenterology Associates III, LLC

Convert CON Authorization to DET Authorization

Request received: 12/21/2023 Contact Person: Victor Moldovan

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed 
Determination Date: 7/11/2024

### **DET2024027 Macon Outpatient Surgery, LLC**

Combining DET-ASC Requirements
Request received: 2/15/2024
Contact Person: Victor Moldovan
Determination: Withdr/Appl Prior to Dec
Date of Withdrawal: 7/11/2024

#### DET2024037 Lenora Church Road Property - SNF, LLC dba Parkside Post Acute and

Renovation of Existing Nursing Home

Request received: 3/4/2024 Contact Person: Sarah Steputis

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed 
Determination Date: 7/1/2024

# DET2024055 Fresenius Vascular Care Augusta, LLC

Provision of Regional Anesthesia in Procedure Room

Request received: 3/27/2024 Contact Person: Elliott Coward

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 6/21/2024

# DET2024056 American Access Care of Atlanta, LLC

Provision of Regional Anesthesia in Procedure Room

Request received: 3/27/2024 Contact Person: Elliott Coward

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 6/21/2024

# DET2024057 Snapfinger Vascular Access Center, LLC

Provision of Regional Anesthesia in Procedure Room

Request received: 3/27/2024 Contact Person: Elliott Coward

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 6/21/2024

#### **DET2024067 Cumming Operating Company LLC**

Reconfiguring Rooms

Request received: 4/9/2024 Contact Person: Michael Feist

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 7/12/2024

### **DET2024068 Palemon Gaskins Memorial Nursing Home**

Nursing Home Renovaton Request received: 4/12/2024

Contact Person: Robert M. Burns, Jr.

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 6/24/2024

#### DET2024069 United Obstetrics and Gynecology, LLC d/b/a Howard Center for Women's Health

Acquisition & Use of Koning Cross Sectional X-Ray Imaging System

Request received: 4/15/2024 Contact Person: Joseph R. Ross

**Determination:** Pending

### DET2024070 Northside Hospital Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Gwinnett

Below Threshold Renovations Request received: 4/16/2024 Contact Person: Brian J. Toporek

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 6/25/2024

#### DET2024071 Piedmont Hospital Inc. dba Piedmont Atlanta Hospital

Pathology Lab Renovation Request received: 4/17/2024

Contact Person: Christine MacEwen

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 6/25/2024

#### DET2024072 Tanner Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Tanner Medical Center Carrollton

Below Threshold Expenditures to Add Special Procedures/Cath Lab

Request received: 4/18/2024

Contact Person: Kathlynn Butler Polvino

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2024073 Doctors Hospital of Augusta, LLC** Renovation of Pre-operative Suite within Burn Center

Request received: 4/18/2024 Contact Person: Daniel J. Monahan

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed 
Determination Date: 6/25/2024

DET2024075 Savannah Health Services, LLC

Nonclinical Tower Interior Renovations Request received: 4/18/2024 Contact Person: Daniel J. Monahan

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 6/25/2024

DET2024076 Greene County Nursing Center, LLC dba Legacy Health and Rehabilitation

Relocation of Beds

Request received: 4/19/2024 Contact Person: Kimberly Sheffield

**Determination:** Pending

DET2024077 Cobb Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Cobb Hospital

Wellstar Cobb Women's Center Lobby Renovations

Request received: 4/22/2024 Contact Person: James Satcher

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 6/25/2024

**DET2024078 Elderville Assisted Living & Memory Care LLC** 

Re-Open Existing Assisted Living Facility

Request received: 4/23/2024

Contact Person: MOHAMMAD HOSSAIN

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 6/27/2024

DET2024079 Savannah Health Services, LLC

New Special Procedure Room Request received: 4/25/2024 Contact Person: Daniel J. Monahan

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 6/26/2024

DET2024080 Northside Hospital, Inc.

Relocation of CON-Approved Ambulatory Surgery Center

Request received: 4/25/2024 Contact Person: Brian Toporek

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 6/27/2024

**DET2024081 Northside Hospital Forsyth** 

Replace CON Authorized MRI Unit Request received: 4/26/2024 Contact Person: Brian Toporek

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 6/25/2024

DET2024082 STG Healthcare of Atlanta, Inc.

Office Relocation

Request received: 4/26/2024 Contact Person: Lisa Rainey Determination: Pending

DET2024083 Wellstar North Fulton Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar North Fulton Hospital

Wellstar North Fulton Hospital Endoscopy Renovations

Request received: 5/2/2024 Contact Person: James Satcher

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed 
Determination Date: 7/1/2024

#### DET2024084 Wellstar North Fulton Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar North Fulton Hospital

Wellstar North Fulton Outpatient Endoscopy HOD Renovations

Request received: 5/2/2024 Contact Person: James Satcher

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed 
Determination Date: 7/1/2024

#### DET2024085 Floyd Healthcare Management, Inc. d/b/a Atrium Health Floyd Medical Center

Atrium Health Floyd Medical Center 2024 Therapeutic Cardiac Cath Exemption DET

Request received: 5/2/2024 Contact Person: Drew Dempsey

**Determination:** Pending

# DET2024086 Houston Hospitals, Inc. d/b/a Houston Healthcare Warner Robins

2024 PCI Renewal

Request received: 5/3/2024 Contact Person: David S. Levitt

**Determination:** Pending

#### DET2024087 EHCA Johns Creek, LLC d/b/a Emory Johns Creek Hospital

Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization Statutory Exemption

Request received: 5/3/2024 Contact Person: Cynthia Havrilak

**Determination:** Pending

#### DET2024088 Vidalia Health Services, LLC d/b/a Memorial Health Meadows Hospital

Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization Statutory Exemption

Request received: 5/3/2024 Contact Person: Heather Walters

**Determination:** Pending

#### DET2024089 Hospital Authority of Wilkes County d/b/a Wills Memorial Hospital

New Canopied Therapy Entrance and Parking Lot

Request received: 5/6/2024

Contact Person: Tracie P. Haughey

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed 
Determination Date: 7/8/2024

#### DET2024090 White Properties Realty, LP

Skilled Nursing Facility Relocation Request received: 5/6/2024 Contact Person: Uri Kaufman Determination: Pending

#### DET2024091 Tanner Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Tanner Medical Center Villa Rica

Continuation Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization CON Exemption

Request received: 5/6/2024

Contact Person: LaQuinta Grizzard

**Determination:** Pending

#### DET2024095 AU Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar MCG Health

Transition of CON-Authorized Freestanding ASC to Hospital-Based ASC

Request received: 5/8/2024 Contact Person: James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

#### DET2024096 Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Inc.

Continuation of C-Port Exemption for Therapeutic Cardiac Cath at South Hall Campus

Request received: 5/8/2024 Contact Person: Linda Berger Determination: Pending

#### DET2024097 Southeast Georgia Health Services, LLC d/b/a Memorial Satilla Health

Therapeutic Cardiac Cath PCI Exemption - Renewal

Request received: 5/8/2024

Contact Person: Daniel J. Monahan

**Determination:** Pending

DET2024098 Doctors Hospital of Augusta, LLC d/b/a Doctors Hospital of Augusta

Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization Statutory Exemption

Request received: 5/10/2024 Contact Person: Nicholas Lynn

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2024099 Doctors Hospital of Augusta, LLC** 

Nonclinical Cafeteria Renovations Request received: 5/10/2024 Contact Person: Daniel J. Monahan

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 7/9/2024

**DET2024100 Upson County Hospital, Inc** 

URMC PCI Determination Request Request received: 5/10/2024 Contact Person: John Williams

**Determination:** Pending

DET2024101 St. Mary's Hospital, Inc.

Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization Exemption

Request received: 5/13/2024 Contact Person: Elizabeth Schoen

**Determination:** Pending

DET2024102 Adventist Health System Georgia, Inc. d/b/a Advent Health Gordon

Continuation of Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization Exemption

Request received: 5/13/2024 Contact Person: Charma Cochran

**Determination:** Pending

DET2024103 Piedmont Newnan Hospital Inc. dba Piedmont Newnan Hospital

Annual Assessment of Cardiac Catheterization Exemption

Request received: 5/13/2024

Contact Person: Christine MacEwen

**Determination:** Pending

DET2024104 Prime Healthcare Foundation - Southern Regional, LLC

Continuation of Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization Exemption

Request received: 5/13/2024

Contact Person: Kathlynn Butler Polvino

**Determination:** Pending

DET2024105 Wellstar Spalding Regional Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Spalding Medical Center

Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization PCI Exemption

Request received: 5/14/2024 Contact Person: James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

DET2024106 Paulding Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Paulding Medical Center

Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization Statutory Exemption

Request received: 5/14/2024 Contact Person: James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

DET2024107 Douglas Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Douglas Hospital

Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization Statutory Exemption

Request received: 5/14/2024 Contact Person: James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

#### DET2024108 Cobb Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Cobb Hospital

Therapeuticl Cardiac Catheterization Statutory Exemption

Request received: 5/14/2024 Contact Person: James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

# DET2024109 Wellstar North Fulton Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar North Fulton Hospital

Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization Statutory Exemption

Request received: 5/14/2024 Contact Person: James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

# DET2024110 West Georgia Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar West Georgia Medical Center

Laboratory Renovations
Request received: 5/14/2024
Contact Person: James Satcher

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 7/9/2024

#### DET2024111 DeKalb Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Emory Decatur Hospital

Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization Statutory Exemption

Request received: 5/14/2024 Contact Person: Andy Hogan Determination: Pending

### DET2024112 Burke Hospital Company d/b/a Burke Health

Renewal of Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization Exemption Determination

Request received: 5/14/2024 Contact Person: Victor Moldovan

**Determination:** Pending

### DET2024113 The Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Piedmont Columbus Regional Midtown

Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization Statutory Exemption

Request received: 5/14/2024 Contact Person: Laura Flatt Determination: Pending

#### DET2024114 Cartersville Medical Center, LLC dba Cartersville Medical Center

Annual Assessment of Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization Exemption

Request received: 5/14/2024 Contact Person: Christine MacEwen

**Determination:** Pending

# **DET2024115 Canopy Westridge Operations, LLC**

Construction and Operation of New Assisted Living Facility

Request received: 5/14/2024 Contact Person: Carrie Bailey

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed 
Determination Date: 7/15/2024

#### DET2024116 Coffee Regional Medical Center, Inc.

Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization Exemption

Request received: 5/14/2024 Contact Person: Vicki Lewis Determination: Pending

#### DET2024117 Favette Community Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Piedmont Favette Hospital

Annual Assessment of Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization Exemption

Request received: 5/14/2024
Contact Person: Christine MacEwen

**Determination:** Pending

#### DET2024118 Piedmont Rockdale Hospital, Inc. dba Piedmont Rockdale Hospital

Annual Assessment of Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization Exemption

Request received: 5/14/2024

Contact Person: Christine MacEwen

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2024119 The Canopy at Warner Robins** 

Increase Capacity of Assisted Living to Eighty Beds

Request received: 5/14/2024

Contact Person: Jamie lloyd Lancaster

**Determination:** Pending

DET2024120 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Atlanta

Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization Statutory Exemption

Request received: 5/15/2024 Contact Person: Brian Toporek

**Determination:** Pending

DET2024121 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Forsyth

Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization Statutory Exemption

Request received: 5/15/2024 Contact Person: Brian Toporek

**Determination:** Pending

DET2024122 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Cherokee

Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization Statutory Exemption

Request received: 5/15/2024 Contact Person: Brian Toporek

**Determination:** Pending

DET2024123 Eastside Medical Center, LLC, d/b/a, Piedmont Eastside Medical Center

Annual Assessment of Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization Exemption

Request received: 5/15/2024 Contact Person: Christine MacEwen

**Determination:** Pending

DET2024124 East Georgia Regional Medical Center, LLC

EGRMC 2024 Renewal Therapeutic Cardiac Catherization Statutory Exemption

Request received: 5/15/2024

Contact Person: Stephen G. Pennington

**Determination:** Pending

DET2024125 Piedmont Henry Hospital, Inc. dba Piedmont Henry Hospital

Renewal of Therapeutic Cardiac Catheterization Exemption

Request received: 5/15/2024 Contact Person: Christine MacEwen

**Determination:** Pending

DET2024126 Southeastern Regional Medical Center, Inc.

Replacement of CON Authorized Equipment

Request received: 5/20/2024 Contact Person: Victor Moldovan

**Determination:** Pending

DET2024127 Presbyterian Village, Austell, Inc.

Convert 28-bed Personal Care Home License to 28-bed Assisted Living Community License

Request received: 5/21/2024 Contact Person: Mark Barglof Determination: Pending

DET2024128 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Cancer Institute Radiation

Replacement of CON-Approved Linear Accelerator

Request received: 5/31/2024 Contact Person: Brian Toporek

**Determination:** Pending

#### DET2024129 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Cancer Institute Radiation

Relocation of CON-Approved Radiation Therapy Center

Request received: 5/31/2024 Contact Person: Brian Toporek

**Determination:** Pending

#### **DET2024130 Suburban Retina Surgery Center LLC**

Location Change

Request received: 6/3/2024 Contact Person: Rishi Singhal Determination: Pending

#### DET2024131 The Medical Center of Central Georgia, Inc. d/b/a The Medical Center, Navicent

Replacement of Existing CON Approved EP Lab #2

Request received: 6/3/2024 Contact Person: Kathryn MT Platt

**Determination:** Pending

#### DET2024132 Kennestone Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Kennestone Regional Medical Center

Construction of MRI Suite on Hospital Campus

Request received: 6/5/2024 Contact Person: James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

#### DET2024133 Paulding Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Paulding Medical Center

Construct a Parking Deck on Hospital Campus

Request received: 6/5/2024 Contact Person: James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

#### DET2024134 Douglas Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Douglas Hospital

Relocation of Administrative Offices Request received: 6/5/2024 Contact Person: James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

#### DET2024135 AU Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar MCG Health

Renovations to Medical and Surgical Unit

Request received: 6/5/2024 Contact Person: James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

#### DET2024136 Douglas Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Douglas Hospital

Replacement of CON-Authorized CT Request received: 6/5/2024 Contact Person: James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

#### DET2024137 AU Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar MCG Health

Establish Behavioral Health Outpatient Department (HOD)

Request received: 6/5/2024 Contact Person: James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

# DET2024138 Northeast Georgia Health System, Inc.

Establish a Modular Sterile Processing Department

Request received: 6/5/2024 Contact Person: Linda Berger Determination: Pending

### **DET2024139 South Georgia Medical Center, Inc.**

Replacement of Con-Approved Cardiac Cath Equipment

Request received: 6/6/2024

Contact Person: Michele Madison

**Determination:** Pending

DET2024140 Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital of Cumming, LLC

Request for Ten-Bed Increase in Bed Capacity

Request received: 6/6/2024

Contact Person: Elliott Coward, Esq.

**Determination:** Pending

DET2024141 Riverside Imaging Specialists, LLC

Replacement of CON-Approved Diagnostic or Therapeutic Equipment

Request received: 6/7/2024

Contact Person: HOWARD J. WILLLIAMS III, MD.

**Determination:** Pending

DET2024142 Piedmont Walton Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Piedmont Walton Hospital

Relocation and Expansion of Breast Center

Request received: 6/7/2024

Contact Person: Christine MacEwen

**Determination:** Pending

DET2024143 Piedmont Walton Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Piedmont Walton Hospital

Renovation of Non Clinical Space Request received: 6/7/2024

Contact Person: Christine MacEwen

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2024144 Piedmont Athens Regional Medical Center, Inc.** 

Relocation of Existing NICU Bays Request received: 6/10/2024 Contact Person: Jody J Corry Determination: Pending

DET2024145 Donalsonville Hospital, Inc.

Relocation of Services

Request received: 6/10/2024 Contact Person: James Moody

**Determination:** Pending

DET2024146 Southeast Georgia Health System, Inc. - Camden

Replacement of MRI Scanner Request received: 6/11/2024 Contact Person: Kathryn MT Platt

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2024147 Cedar Communities at Cartersville, LLC** 

Increase in Capacity for Existing Personal Care Home

Request received: 6/12/2024 Contact Person: Nicholas Terzulli

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2024149 Walker Medical Investors, LLC** 

Increase Bed Capacity

Request received: 6/17/2024 Contact Person: J. Franklin Farrow

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2024150 Canopy Westridge Operations, LLC** 

Development and Operation of an Assisted Living and Memory Care Community

Request received: 6/18/2024 Contact Person: Angela Bowden

**Determination:** Pending

#### **DET2024151 Hamilton Medical Center, Inc.**

Renovation and Relocation of Cardiac Imaging Services

Request received: 6/18/2024 Contact Person: Sandy McKenzie

**Determination:** Pending

#### DET2024152 Kennestone Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Wellstar Kennestone Regional Medical Center

**HOD Renovations and Equipment Upgrades** 

Request received: 6/19/2024 Contact Person: James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

# DET2024153 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Forsyth

Construct New Parking Deck and Administrative and Mechanical Space

Request received: 6/19/2024 Contact Person: Brian Toporek

**Determination:** Pending

#### DET2024155 West Georgia Medical Center, Inc d/b/a Wellstar West Georgia Medical Center

Hospital Outpatient Dept - Retail Pharmacy

Request received: 6/21/2024 Contact Person: James Satcher

**Determination:** Pending

#### DET2024156 Saint Joseph's Hospital of Atlanta, Inc.

Gamma Knife Replacement Request received: 6/21/2024 Contact Person: Kevin Andrews

**Determination:** Pending

#### DET2024157 Orthopaedic Associates of Augusta, P.A.

Merger of Physician Practices Request received: 6/21/2024

Contact Person: Rebecca M. Thornhill

**Determination:** Pending

#### DET2024158 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Forsyth

Expenditures for Renovation Request received: 7/1/2024 Contact Person: Brian Toporek

**Determination:** Withdr/Appl Prior to Dec **Date of Withdrawal:** 7/15/2024

#### DET2024159 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Atlanta

Exempt Expenditures for Renovation Request received: 7/1/2024 Contact Person: Brian Toporek

**Determination:** Withdr/Appl Prior to Dec **Date of Withdrawal:** 7/15/2024

#### DET2024160 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Cherokee

Exempt Expenditures for Renovation

Request received: 7/1/2024 Contact Person: Brian Toporek

**Determination:** Withdr/Appl Prior to Dec **Date of Withdrawal:** 7/15/2024

#### DET2024161 Bacon County Hospital and Health System d/b/a Twin Oaks Convalescent Center

Renovation of Portion of Skilled Nursing Facility

Request received: 7/2/2024 Contact Person: Joseph R. Ross

**Determination:** Pending

#### DET2024162 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Atlanta

Exempt Renovations

Request received: 7/2/2024 Contact Person: Brian Toporek

**Determination:** Withdr/Appl Prior to Dec **Date of Withdrawal:** 7/15/2024

DET2024163 Tattnall Hospital Company, LLC d/b/a Optim Medical Center-Tattnall

Addition to PACU

Request received: 7/3/2024 Contact Person: Joseph R. Ross

**Determination:** Pending

DET2024165 Burke Hospital Company, LLC d/b/a Burke Health

Construction of New Lobby for Hospital Lobby

Request received: 7/8/2024 Contact Person: Victor Moldovan

**Determination:** Pending

DET2024166 Northwest ENT Associates, P.C.

ASC Utilization by Non-Practice Physicians

Request received: 7/8/2024 Contact Person: Victor Moldovan

**Determination:** Pending

DET2024167 Center for Reconstructive Surgery, Inc. d/b/a International Foot & Ankle Surgery

Proposed Vascular Surgery Use of Minor Procedure Rooms

Request received: 7/9/2024

Contact Person: Everette B Jenkins

**Determination:** Pending

DET2024168 Gainesville Foot and Ankle Surgery Center, P.C.

Request to Allow Non-Affiliated Podiatrist to Use ASC

Request received: 7/9/2024

Contact Person: Everette B Jenkins

**Determination:** Pending

DET2024169 Prime Healthcare Foundation - Southern Regional, LLC

Renovations and Upgrade to Existing Behavioral Hold Unit

Request received: 7/9/2024 Contact Person: Ela Lena Determination: Pending

DET2024170 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital Cherokee

Renovate Existing Facility and Refurbish Existing MRI Unit

Request received: 7/11/2024 Contact Person: Brian Toporek

**Determination:** Pending

DET2024171 PruittHealth Home Health Inc. d/b/a PruittHealth @ Home - Gainesville

Transfer of Hart Home Health County **Request received:** 7/15/2024

Contact Person: Connor Seim Determination: Pending

Requests for Extended Implementation/Effective Period

2021043 Piedmont Mountainside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Piedmont Mountainside Hospital

Establish Non-Special MegaVoltage Radiation Therapy Service – Batching

Request to Extend Completion Date

Site: 1266 Highway 515 South, Jasper (Pickens)

Project Approved: 12/22/2021 Request Received: 5/21/2024

Contact: Lindsay Gard, Executive Director/CFO (706-299-5110)

Approved Cost: \$ 15,525,000

Determination: Approved, 6/25/2024

Extended Mandatory Completion: February 28, 2025

2022049 The Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Piedmont Columbus Regional Midtown

Renovation and Relocation of Pediatric Beds

Request to Extend Completion Date

Site: 616 19th Street, Columbus (Muscogee)

Project Approved: 2/8/2023 Request Received: 5/23/2024

Contact: Allen Holladay, Chief Financial Officer (706-660-6194)

Approved Cost: \$ 28,565,625

**Determination:** Approved, 6/25/2024 **Extended Mandatory Completion:** January 16, 2025

2019045 Cartersville Medical Center, LLC d/b/a Piedmont Cartersville Medical Center

New Service to Include 4 Neonatal Intermediate Care Beds – Batching

Request to Extend Completion Date

Site: 960 Joe Franks Harris Parkway, Cartersville (Bartow)

Project Approved: 10/26/2022 Request Received: 5/30/2024

**Contact:** Lindsay Gard, CFO (404-821-6039)

**Approved Cost:** \$ 974,905

**Determination:** Approved, 6/25/2024 **Extended Mandatory Completion:** September 2, 2024

# Need Projection Analyses Posted 7/1/2024

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

Need Projections and Maps for CON Regulated Services

2029 Non-Special MRT Need Projection - Posted 7/1/2024

2029 PET Need Projection - Posted 7/1/2024

2028 Ambulatory Surgical Services Need Projection by HPA- Posted 4/1/2024

2028 Inpatient Physical Rehabilitation Need Projections – Posted 4/1/2024

2028 Neonatal Intermediate Care Bed Need Projection – Posted 4/1/2024

2028 Neonatal Intensive Care Bed Need Projection - Posted 4/1/2024

2028 Obstetric Services Bed Need Projection - Posted 4/1/2024

2026 Nursing Home Bed Need Projection - Posted 4/1/2024

2026 Home Health Agency Services Need Projection - Posted 4/1/2024

Non-Batched Need Projections

2028 Long Term Care Hospital Beds - 1/5/2024

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 <a href="https://www.georgiahealthdata.info">www.georgiahealthdata.info</a>.

# **Indigent and Charity Care Shortfalls**

Facilities with Indigent and Charity Care Commitment Shortfalls for Most Recent 3 Years (Commitment status as of (7/16/2024)

Facility Name	County	Year	Shortfall Due	Service
Apex Medical Surgery Center, LLC	Troup	2020	11,890.18	Ambulatory Surgery Center
ASC of Georgia Dermatologic Surgery Centers, LLC	FULTON	2018	6,924.20	Ambulatory Surgery Center
ASC of Georgia Dermatologic Surgery Centers, LLC	FULTON	2020	20,921.12	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Asuch Surgery Center	Cobb	2018	6,963.30	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Asuch Surgery Center	Cobb	2020	5,055.30	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Brookstone Ambulatory Surgery Center	Muscogee	2018	24,770.12	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Brookstone Ambulatory Surgery Center	Muscogee	2019	17,302.68	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Brookstone Ambulatory Surgery Center	Muscogee	2020	17,170.24	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Center For Spine And Pain Medicine, PC	Hall	2018	101,669.68	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Chatham Orthopeadic Surgery Center	Chatham	2018	23,869.26	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Cobblestone Surgery Center, Inc	Cobb	2020	5,803.60	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Foot & Ankle Surgery Ctr, Llc, The	MUSCOGEE	2018	6,322.74	Ambulatory Surgery Center
G.I. Endoscopy Center	CLAYTON	2018	27,806.73	Ambulatory Surgery Center
GA Urology, PA Cobb Ambulatory Surgery Center	Cobb	2018	15,443.22	Ambulatory Surgery Center
GA Urology, PA Cobb Ambulatory Surgery Center	Cobb	2019	11,678.86	Ambulatory Surgery Center
GA Urology, PA Cobb Ambulatory Surgery Center	Cobb	2020	18,778.50	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Gastro Specialists Endoscopy Center, LLC	DEKALB	2020	10,043.62	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Georgia Interventional Pain	Gwinnett	2018	61,218.12	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Georgia Urology, P.A.	Forsyth	2018	17,314.92	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Georgia Urology, P.A.	Forsyth	2019	18,706.26	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Georgia Urology, P.A.	Forsyth	2020	26,176.86	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Georgia Urology, PA Cumming Ambulatory Surgery Ctr	Forsyth	2020	44,850.66	Ambulatory Surgery Center
LASER SPINE & PAIN CENTERS LLC	Carroll	2020	20,255.96	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Midtown Surgery Center	Muscogee	2020	63,270.60	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Neurological Institute Ambulatory Surgery Center,	Chatham	2020	73,673.36	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Northwest Ga Orthopaedic Sc	COBB	2018	654,446.86	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Piedmont Surgery Center	BIBB	2018	75.49	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Piedmont Surgery Center	BIBB	2020	21,481.58	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Ponce De Leon Surgery Center, LLC	Fulton	2018	52.82	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Premier Ambulatory Surgical Center, LLC	Cobb	2018	6,380.46	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Roswell Pain Surgical Center, LLC	Cobb	2018	38.20	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Roswell Pain Surgical Center, LLC	Cobb	2020	128.00	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Salubrious ASC	Cherokee	2020	6,847.78	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Stephen Lober Plastic Surgery	Clarke	2019	6,747.60	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Surgery Center at Cypress Pointe, LLC	Tift	2018	28,384.44	Ambulatory Surgery Center
The Graivier Center	FULTON	2020	11,457.50	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Thomas Eye Surgery Center	FULTON	2018	284,219.98	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Windward Surgery Center LLC	FULTON	2019	2,096.78	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Windward Surgery Center LLC	FULTON	2020	13,682.72	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Guardian Home Care of Central Georgia	Oconee	2018	14,005.19	Home Health Agency
Guardian Home Care of Central Georgia	Oconee	2019	36,925.98	Home Health Agency
Guardian Home Care of Central Georgia	Oconee	2020	37,167.55	Home Health Agency
Guardian Home Care of Northeast Georgia, LLC	Hall	2018	65,355.87	Home Health Agency
Guardian Home Care of Northeast Georgia, LLC	Hall	2019	87,009.07	Home Health Agency
Guardian Home Care of Northeast Georgia, LLC	Hall	2020	95,776.95	Home Health Agency
Guardian Home Care, LLC	Fulton	2018	214,201.47	Home Health Agency
Guardian Home Care, LLC	Fulton	2019	250,997.91	Home Health Agency
Guardian Home Care, LLC	Fulton	2020	170,668.38	Home Health Agency

Central Georgia PET, LLC	Bibb	2019	5,983.45	PET Services
Central Georgia PET, LLC	Bibb	2020	3,815.50	PET Services
Central Georgia Radiation Oncology Center - Houston	Houston	2020	83,479.48	Radiation Therapy
Piedmont Henry Radiation Oncology at Riverdale, LLC	Clayton	2019	481,172.16	Radiation Therapy
Piedmont Henry Radiation Oncology at Riverdale, LLC	Clayton	2020	220,677.84	Radiation Therapy
Vantage Oncology Cancer Center at Lawrenceville	Gwinnett	2020	1,106.83	Radiation Therapy
Vantage Oncology Center at Blairsville	Union	2020	7,177.04	Radiation Therapy

Notes: The provisions of the Provider Payment Act of 2010 exempt eligible hospitals from being required to pay shortfalls associated with CON indigent and charity care commitments while the Act is in force. Critical Access Hospitals, Psychiatric Hospitals, and State-owned hospitals are exempt from the PPA so must still pay shortfalls associated with CON commitments. If an administrative hearing has been requested to dispute a shortfall pursuant to the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act. O.C.G.A. § 50-13-1 et seq., information will be provided at <a href="https://dch.georgia.gov/meetings-notices">https://dch.georgia.gov/meetings-notices</a> as it becomes available.

# NEW CERTIFICATE OF NEED FILING REQUIREMENTS

Effective June 17, 2022, the updated Georgia CON Application Form, available at <a href="https://dch.georgia.gov/con-applications-and-forms">https://dch.georgia.gov/con-applications-and-forms</a>, 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 <a href="https://dch.georgia.gov/office-health-planning-applications-and-requests-forms-0">https://dch.georgia.gov/office-health-planning-applications-and-requests-forms-0</a>.

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, Psych/Substance Abuse, Birthing Centers	December	January	February
SPRING	Home Health, Skilled Nursing Facilities, Intermediate Care Facilities, Perinatal Service, Inpatient Rehabilitation, Ambulatory Surgery, Obstetrical Services	March	April	May
SUMMER	PET, Mega Voltage Radiation Therapy, Pediatric Cath/Open Heart, Adult Open Heart, Psych/Substance Abuse, Birthing Centers	June	July	August

# Batching Notifications - Posted 7/1/2024 on DCH Website

**Summer Batching Review Cycle Notifications** 

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

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

<u>Positron Emission Tomography</u> <u>MegaVoltage Radiation Therapy</u>

Pediatric Cath/Open Heart Adult Open Heart

Birthing Centers Psych/Substance Abuse

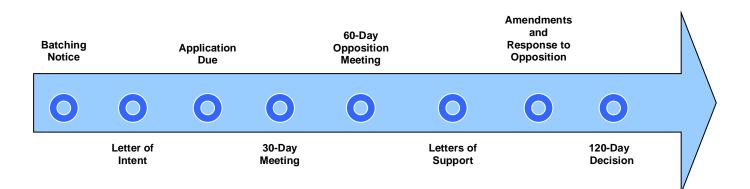
Need Projections can be found on the "OHP Need Projections" Page

# **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.

# **SUMMER CYCLE**



- ▶ Batching Notice issued 30 days before Letter of Intent Due.
- ▶ Letter of Intent received by Department 25 days before application is submitted.
- ▶ Applications submitted; review cycle begins
- ▶ 30-Day meeting (applicant only); deadline for receipt of opposition notice(s)
- ▶ 60-day Opposition Meeting(s) scheduled; applicant can be in attendance; opposing parties must provide written statement of opposition arguments presented to the Department and to the applicant; presentation time will be limited; Department reserves the right to make additional inquiries subsequent to the 30-day meeting and following the opposition meeting.
- ▶ 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.

#### **SPRING CYCLE**

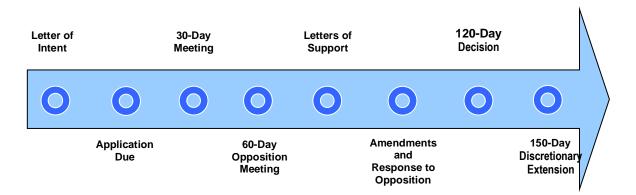
#### **Application Day** (application complete when 100th Day 75th Day submitted; (last day for review cycle **Batching** 120th Day begins same (Applicant letters of **Notice** support to be day) provides (Department submitted to additional Issues Department) Decision) information) (May 31, 2024: Application (September 7, 2024) due by 12 noon) (September 27, 2024) (April 1, 2024) (August 13, 2024) 90th Day 60-Day Letter 110th Day (opposition (Applicant Meeting Ωf meeting, provides (applicant Intent applicant can only; opposition amended attend. information: opposina (May 1, 2024) applicant letters party must provides due) provide response to opposition) written copy (July 29, 2024) of argument) (September 17, 2024) (August 28, 2024)

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

# NON-BATCHED APPLICATIONS

SEQUENCE OF CERTIFICATE OF NEED APPLICATION REVIEW ACTIVITIES

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-day meeting (applicant only); deadline for receipt of opposition notice(s)
- ▶ 60-day Opposition Meeting(s) scheduled; applicant can be in attendance; opposing parties must provide written statement of opposition arguments presented to the Department and to the applicant; presentation time will be limited; Department reserves the right to make additional inquiries subsequent to the 30-day meeting and following the opposition meeting.
- ► 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, Interim 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 (<a href="mailto:bhenderson@dch.ga.gov">bhenderson@dch.ga.gov</a>)

For questions concerning Health Planning surveys and indigent and charity care commitment shortfalls please contact Steve Cappel, Data Manager (<a href="mailto:steve.cappel@dch.ga.gov">steve.cappel@dch.ga.gov</a>)

For all other CON-related questions or inquiries, please email <a href="OHP.Help@dch.ga.gov">OHP.Help@dch.ga.gov</a>.

#### **Letters of Determination**

The Department will require that a determination request be submitted for any proposed activity that may be exempt under O.C.G.A. § 31-6-1 et seq. Such requests will be accepted only on the Department's form with the required filing fee of \$250.00. Requests for confirmation of the exemption for equipment below the threshold will be accepted only on the applicable form and will also require a \$250.00 filing fee. Note: Requests for confirmation of the exemptions for a single specialty ambulatory surgical center or a joint venture ambulatory surgical center below the threshold require a \$250.00 filing fee.

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

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

#### **Periodic Reporting Requirements**

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

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

# **Special Note**

The <u>Letters of Intent</u> 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 <a href="https://forms.dch.georgia.gov/HFRD/">https://forms.dch.georgia.gov/HFRD/</a> for healthcare facility and reporting information.

#### **LNR Conversion**

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

#### **DET Review**

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

# **DET-ASC** Requests

Effective March 14, 2022, the Ambulatory Surgical Center Determination Form available at <a href="https://dch.georgia.gov/con-applications-and-forms">https://dch.georgia.gov/con-applications-and-forms</a> 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)

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

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

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Ronald E. Daniels (Appointed on September 5, 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: <a href="https://dch.georgia.gov/office-health-planning-applications-and-requests-forms-0">https://dch.georgia.gov/office-health-planning-applications-and-requests-forms-0</a>

#### 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 March 31, 2022.

111-2-1-.01 Definitions 111-2-1-.02 Health Planning Functions of the Department

The above may be accessed here: <a href="https://dch.georgia.gov/document/document/final-health-planning-administration-111-2-1-rules-sos/download">https://dch.georgia.gov/document/document/final-health-planning-administration-111-2-1-rules-sos/download</a>

The following rules have been adopted by the Board of Community Health and implemented by the Georgia Secretary of State, effective March 31, 2022.

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111-2-2-.01 Definitions
111-2-2-.02 Nature of Certificate of Need
111-2-2-.03 Exemptions from Review
111-2-2-.04 Periodic Reports
111-2-2-.05 Enforcement
111-2-2-.06 Application for Certificate of Need
111-2-2-.07 Review Procedures
111-2-2-.08 Alternative Application and Review Procedures
111-2-2-.09 General Review Considerations
111-2-2-.10 Determinations
111-2-2-.11 Service-Specific Review Considerations Generally
111-2-2-.12 Reserved
111-2-2-.13 Reserved
111-2-2-.14 Reserved
111-2-2-.15 Reserved
111-2-2-.16 Reserved
111-2-2-.17 Reserved
111-2-2-.18 Reserved
111-2-2-.19 Reserved
111-2-2-.20 Specific Review Considerations for Short-Stay General Hospital Beds
111-2-2-.21 Specific Review Considerations for Adult Cardiac Catheterization Services
111-2-2-.22 Specific Review Considerations for Adult Open Heart Surgery Services
111-2-2-.23 Specific Review Considerations for Pediatric Cardiac Catheterization and Open
           Heart Surgery
111-2-2-.24 Specific Review Considerations for Perinatal Services
111-2-2-.25 Specific Review Considerations for Freestanding Birthing Centers
111-2-2-.26 Specific Review Considerations for Psychiatric and Substance Abuse Inpatient
           Programs
111-2-2-.27 Reserved
111-2-2-.28 Reserved
111-2-2-.29 Reserved
111-2-2-.30 Specific Review Considerations for Skilled Nursing and Intermediate Care Facilities
111-2-2-.31 Specific Review Considerations for Personal Care Homes
111-2-2-.32 Specific Review Considerations for Home Health Services
111-2-2-.33 Specific Review Considerations for Life Plan Community (LPC) Sheltered Nursing
           Facilities
111-2-2-.34 Specific Review Considerations for Traumatic Brain Injury
111-2-2-.35 Specific Review Considerations for Comprehensive Inpatient Physical
           Rehabilitation Services
111-2-2-.36 Specific Review Considerations for Long Term Care Hospitals
111-2-2-.37 Reserved
111-2-2-.38 Reserved
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The above may be accessed here: <a href="https://dch.georgia.gov/document/document/health-planning-certificate-need-111-2-2-rules-final-adoption-rev-v2/download">https://dch.georgia.gov/document/document/health-planning-certificate-need-111-2-2-rules-final-adoption-rev-v2/download</a>

111-2-2-.40 Specific Review Considerations for Ambulatory Surgery Services

111-2-2-.41 Specific Review Considerations for Positron Emission Tomography Units

111-2-2-.42 Specific Review Considerations for MegaVoltage Radiation Therapy Services/Units

111-2-2-.39 Reserved

111-2-2-.43 Repealed