



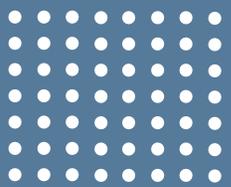
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Short-Stay General Hospital Beds

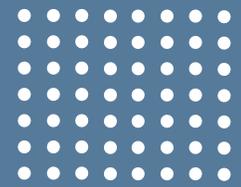
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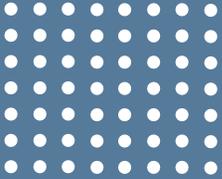
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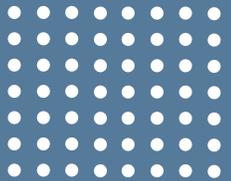


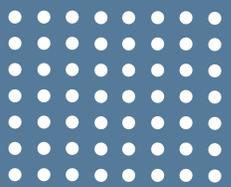
TODAY'S AGENDA

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- A. Call to Order
 - B. Committee Roll Call
 - C. Review of Standards
 - D. Follow Up from Past Meetings
 - E. Next Steps
 - F. Adjourn

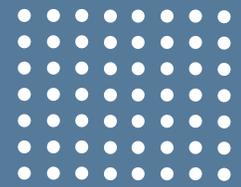


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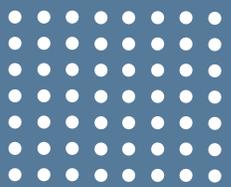




MEETING & REVIEW SCHEDULE



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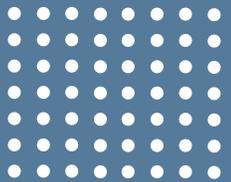


TAC REVIEW:

CERTIFICATE OF NEED RULE FOR SHORT-STAY GENERAL HOSPITAL BEDS

Ga. Comp Rules & Regs r. 111-2-2-.20(3)
Standards (d), (i) and (j)

Presentation of existing standards, followed by
discussion and feedback.





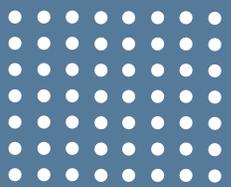
1. An applicant for a new, replacement or expanded hospital shall demonstrate the expected effects of the proposed services on other hospitals within the target service area population, including how any enhanced competition will have a positive impact upon the cost, quality, and access to the services proposed; and in the case of applications for a new, replacement or expanded hospital where competition between providers will not have a favorable impact on cost, quality and access, the applicant shall be required to document that its application will not have an adverse impact.
2. An applicant for a new, replacement or expanded hospital shall document in its application that the new, replacement or expanded facility is not predicted to be detrimental to safety net hospitals within the planning area. Such demonstration shall be made by providing an analysis in the application that compares current and projected changes in market share and payer mix for the applicant and any safety net hospitals. Impact on an existing safety net hospital shall be determined to be adverse if, based on the utilization projected by the applicant, any existing safety net hospital would have a total decrease of ten percent (10%) or more in its average annual utilization, as measured by patient days for the two most recent and available preceding calendar years of data.
3. An applicant for a new, replacement or expanded hospital shall document in its application that the new, replacement or expanded facility is not predicted to be detrimental to any teaching hospitals in the state. Such demonstration shall be made by providing an analysis in the application that compares current and projected changes in market share and payer mix for the applicant and any teaching hospitals. Impact on an existing teaching hospital shall be determined to be adverse if, based on the utilization projected by the applicant, any existing teaching hospital would have a total decrease of five percent (5%) or more in its average annual utilization, as measured by patient days for the two most recent and available preceding calendar years of data.



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2. Two or more existing facilities, each of which are operational at the time of approval and each of which are located in the same rural county or in contiguous rural counties, may seek a consolidation to create a single consolidated facility at an existing site or a new site within the same rural county or one of the same rural counties. The applicant or applicants for such a consolidated facility must be able to meet the following conditions:
 - (i) The available beds for the proposed consolidated facility must not exceed the total number of available beds of the existing facilities proposed for consolidation;
 - (ii) The applicant(s) for the proposed consolidated facility must show, using patient origin data, that the proposed new facility and/or location is reasonably projected to continue to meet the utilization needs of those populations that historically utilized the existing facilities;
 - (iii) The applicant(s) must explain the impact of consolidation on the service area's health care delivery system and show that any negative impacts on existing and approved providers will be outweighed by the benefits of the proposal;
 - (iv) The applicant must submit documentation demonstrating that the consolidation will promote the most efficient handling of patient needs; improve the ability to update medical technology infrastructure; maximize efficiency for capital and physical plant needs; and improve consumer access to enhanced quality and depth of services; and
 - (v) The applicant(s) must comply with all other provisions of this Rule with exception of the need and adverse impact standards set forth in Ga. Comp. R. & Regs., r. 111-2-2-.20(3)(b) and (d).



1. To respond to changes in the health care delivery system and to promote improved efficiency, access and cost-containment, the Department may authorize the consolidation of two or more hospitals located in one non-rural county. A proposal to consolidate hospitals into a single, new consolidated hospital requires a Certificate of Need and must comply with the following criteria.
2. Two or more existing facilities, each of which are operational at the time of approval and each of which are located in the same non-rural county, may seek a consolidation to create a single consolidated facility at an existing site or a new site within the same non-rural county. The consolidating facilities must apply as co-applicants. The applicant or applicants for such a consolidated facility must be able to meet the following conditions:
 - (i) The available beds sought for the proposed consolidated facility must not exceed the sum of the total number of beds for which each of the consolidating facilities would be authorized, at the time the application is filed, pursuant to the demand-based forecasting model for determining need set forth in Ga. Comp. R. & Regs., r. 111-2-2-.20(3)(b)3.
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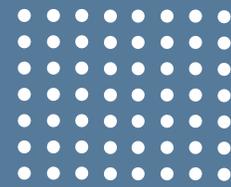


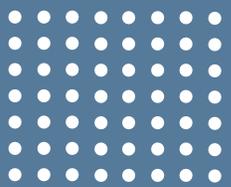
FOLLOW-UP:

**QUESTIONS FROM
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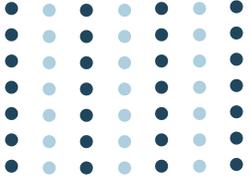
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