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## Letters of Intent

### **LOI2014001 Northside Hospital - Cherokee**

Addition of Sixth Floor to Include 12 New Medical/Surgical Beds

**Received: 1/6/2014**

**Application must be submitted on: 2/5/2014**

**Site:** 201 Hospital Road, Canton, GA 30114 (Cherokee County)

**Estimated Cost:** \$15,000,000

### **LOI2014002 Albany Diagnostic Center**

Conversion of LNR Approved DTRC to CON Approved DTRC

**Received: 1/8/2014**

**Application must be submitted on: 2/7/2014**

**Site:** 2624 Dawson Road, Albany, GA 31707 (Dougherty County)

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

## Expired Letters of Intent

none

## New CON Applications

### **2014-003 Hamilton Medical Center**

Renovation and Expansion of Medical Intensive Care Unit (MICU)

**Filed: 1/10/2014**

**Site:** 1200 Memorial Drive, Dalton, GA 30720 (Whitfield County)

**Contact:** Alison Bonner, Planning Mgr. 706-272-6589

**Estimated Cost:** \$16,000,000

## Pending Review/Incomplete Applications

None

## Pending Review/Complete Applications

### **2013-039 Gwinnett Medical Center - Lawrenceville**

Acquisition of Interventional Radiology Unit

**Filed: 7/29/2013 Deemed Incomplete: 8/8/2013 Deemed Complete: 10/3/2013**

**60th Day Deadline: 12/1/2013**

**Decision Deadline: 1/30/2014**

**Site:** 1000 Medical Center Boulevard, Lawrenceville, GA 30046 (Gwinnett County)

**Contact:** Mark M. Mullin, Director, Planning 678-312-4193

**Estimated Cost:** \$3,492,694

### **2013-054 Gwinnett Medical Center - Lawrenceville**

da Vinci Robot Surgical System

**Filed: 9/4/2013 Deemed Incomplete: 9/18/2013 Deemed Complete: 10/3/2013**

**60th Day Deadline: 12/1/2013**

**Decision Deadline: 1/30/2014**

**Site:** 1000 Medical Center Boulevard, Lawrenceville, GA 30046 (Gwinnett County)

**Contact:** Mark M. Mullin, Director of Planning 678-312-4193

**Estimated Cost:** \$1,971,500

### **2013-055 Cobb Hospital, Inc. dba WellStar Cobb Hospital**

Establish a Diagnostic Center

**Filed: 9/16/2013 Deemed Complete: 9/30/2013**

**60th Day Deadline: 11/28/2013**

**Decision Deadline: 1/27/2014**

**Site:** Winchester Parkway & S. Atlanta Road, Smyrna, GA 30080 (Cobb County)

**Contact:** April Austin, Regulatory Planning Coordinator 470-644-0057  
**Estimated Cost:** \$8,930,573

**2013-056 DeKalb Medical at Hillandale**

CT Scanner

**Filed:** 9/19/2013 **Deemed Complete:** 10/3/2013

**60th Day Deadline:** 12/1/2013

**Decision Deadline:** 1/30/2014

**Site:** 2801 Medical Center Parkway, Lithonia, GA 30058 (DeKalb County)

**Contact:** Donald F. Fears 404-501-5790

**Estimated Cost:** \$2,160,670

**2013-057 Tift Regional Medical Center**

Oncology Center Expansion

**Filed:** 9/25/2013 **Deemed Complete:** 10/8/2013

**60th Day Deadline:** 12/6/2013

**Decision Deadline:** 2/4/2014

**Site:** 1632 Madison Avenue, Tifton, GA 31794 (Tift County)

**Contact:** Sarah Thompson 229-353-3421

**Estimated Cost:** \$2,854,096

**2013-058 Grady Memorial Hospital**

Renovation of Existing Space

**Filed:** 10/24/2013 **Deemed Incomplete:** 11/5/2013 **Deemed Complete:** 12/2/2013

**60th Day Deadline:** 1/30/2014

**Decision Deadline:** 3/31/2014

**Site:** 80 Jesse Hill Drive, Atlanta, GA 30303 (Fulton County)

**Contact:** Samuel L. Williams, VP, Non-Clinical Support Srvc's 404-616-3954

**Estimated Cost:** \$5,429,739

**2013-059 Georgia Regents Medical Center**

Addition of a Third CT Scanner

**Filed:** 11/1/2013 **Deemed Complete:** 11/18/2013

**60th Day Deadline:** 1/16/2014

**Decision Deadline:** 3/17/2014

**Site:** 1120 15th Street, Augusta, GA 30912 (Richmond County)

**Contact:** Daniel Merrell 706-721-6951

**Estimated Cost:** \$3,626,944

**2013-060 Memorial Health University Medical Center**

Replacement, Relocation, Expansion of 32-ICU and Step Down Beds

**Filed:** 11/12/2013 **Deemed Complete:** 11/26/2013

**60th Day Deadline:** 1/24/2014

**Decision Deadline:** 3/25/2014

**Site:** 4700 Waters Avenue, Savannah, GA 31404 (Chatham County)

**Contact:** Laura Dow, VP, Finance 912-350-8613

**Estimated Cost:** \$9,022,000

**2013-061 Atlanta Orthopedic Surgery Center, LLC**

Conversion to a CON-Approved Single-Specialty Ambulatory Surgery Center - Batching

**Filed:** 11/29/2013 **Deemed Complete:** 11/29/2013

**60th Day Deadline:** 1/27/2014

**Decision Deadline:** 3/28/2014

**Site:** 3161 Howell Mill Road, Suite 300, Atlanta, GA 30327 (Fulton County)

**Contact:** William T. Marlow, COO 404-352-4200

**Estimated Cost:** \$30,000

**2013-062 Dublin Orthopaedics ASC, Inc.**

Conversion to a CON-Approved Single-Specialty Ambulatory Surgery Center - Batching

**Filed:** 11/29/2013 **Deemed Complete:** 11/29/2013

**60th Day Deadline:** 1/27/2014

**Decision Deadline: 3/28/2014**

**Site:** 2627 Moon Station Road, Dublin, GA 31021 (Laurens County)

**Contact:** Gayle R. Evans, Consultant 770-794-4944

**Estimated Cost:** \$15,000

**2013-063 Northside Hospital - Cherokee**

Development of a Multi-Specialty Ambulatory Surgery Center - Batching

**Filed: 11/29/2013 Deemed Complete: 11/29/2013**

**60th Day Deadline: 1/27/2014**

**Decision Deadline: 3/28/2014**

**Site:** 900 Towne Lake Parkway, Woodstock, GA 30189 (Cherokee County)

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

**Estimated Cost:** \$10,326,772

**2013-064 WellStar Kennestone Hospital**

Development of New Ambulatory Surgery Center - Batching

**Filed: 11/29/2013 Deemed Complete: 11/29/2013**

**60th Day Deadline: 1/27/2014**

**Decision Deadline: 3/28/2014**

**Site:** Intersection of Sixes Rd & I-575, Holly Springs, GA 30114 (Cherokee County)

**Contact:** April Austin, Regulatory Planning Coordinator 470-644-0057

**Estimated Cost:** \$16,016,360

**2013-065 Children's Hospital of Georgia**

Addition of Four Level II Intermediate Care Nursery Beds - Batching

**Filed: 11/29/2013 Deemed Complete: 11/29/2013**

**60th Day Deadline: 1/27/2014**

**Decision Deadline: 3/28/2014**

**Site:** 1446 Harper Street, Augusta, GA 30912 (Richmond County)

**Contact:** James Mumford, Administrator 706-721-5132

**Estimated Cost:** \$488,078

**2013-066 Joynus Care, Inc.**

Establish a New Home Health Agency for Asian Population - Batching

**Filed: 11/29/2013 Deemed Complete: 11/29/2013**

**60th Day Deadline: 1/27/2014**

**Decision Deadline: 3/28/2014**

**Site:** To Be Determined, Sandy Springs, GA 30240 (Fulton County)

**Contact:** Chisung Lee 706-443-5184

**Estimated Cost:** \$50,000

**2013-067 Mesun Health Services, Inc.**

Establish New Home Health Agency - Asian Community - Batching

**Filed: 11/29/2013 Deemed Complete: 11/29/2013**

**60th Day Deadline: 1/27/2014**

**Decision Deadline: 3/28/2014**

**Site:** 88 Johnson Road, Lawrenceville, GA 30045 (Gwinnett County)

**Contact:** Hanson Kim 256-473-0964

**Estimated Cost:** \$80,000

**2013-068 Mesun Health Services, Inc.**

Establish a New Skilled Nursing Facility for the Asian Community - Batching

**Filed: 11/29/2013 Deemed Complete: 11/29/2013**

**60th Day Deadline: 1/27/2014**

**Decision Deadline: 3/28/2014**

**Site:** 88 Johnson Road, Lawrenceville, GA 30045 (Gwinnett County)

**Contact:** Hanson Kim 256-473-0964

**Estimated Cost:** \$7,168,000

**2013-069 Open MRI & Imaging of Conyers, LLC**

Conversion to CON Approved DTRC, Equipment Replacement, & Facility Relocation

**Filed: 12/6/2013 Deemed Complete: 12/20/2013**  
**60th Day Deadline: 2/17/2014**  
**Decision Deadline: 4/18/2014**  
**Site:** 2287 Salem Road, Conyers, GA 30013 (Rockdale County)  
**Contact:** Per B. Normark, General Counsel 770-300-0101  
**Estimated Cost:** \$2,408,309

**2013-070 Georgia Regents Medical Center**

Renovation of 7th Floor South Wing

**Filed: 12/16/2013 Deemed Complete: 1/2/2014**  
**60th Day Deadline: 3/2/2014**  
**Decision Deadline: 5/1/2014**  
**Site:** 1120 15th Street, Augusta, GA 30912 (Richmond County)  
**Contact:** Daniel Merrell, Sr. Project Mgr 706-721-6951  
**Estimated Cost:** \$4,176,888

**2014-001 Northside Hospital - Forsyth**

Renovation of Surgery Department

**Filed: 1/6/2014 Deemed Complete: 1/16/2014**  
**60th Day Deadline: 3/16/2014**  
**Decision Deadline: 5/15/2014**  
**Site:** 1200 Northside Forsyth Drive, Cumming, GA 30041 (Forsyth County)  
**Contact:** Brian Toporek, Sr. Planner 404-851-6821  
**Estimated Cost:** \$6,423,071

**2014-002 Northside Hospital - Forsyth**

Expand Medical-Surgical Short Stay Beds by 14 Through Conversion of Observation Beds

**Filed: 1/6/2014 Deemed Complete: 1/17/2014**  
**60th Day Deadline: 3/17/2014**  
**Decision Deadline: 5/16/2014**  
**Site:** 1200 Northside Forsyth Drive, Cumming, GA 30041 (Forsyth County)  
**Contact:** Brian Toporek, Sr. Planner 404-851-6821  
**Estimated Cost:** \$0

## Recently Approved Applications

**2013-041 Grady Health System**

Renovation and Expansion of the Emergency Department

**Filed: 8/26/2013 Deemed Incomplete: 9/3/2013 Deemed Complete: 9/19/2013**  
**60th Day Deadline: 11/17/2013**  
**Decision Deadline: 1/16/2014**  
**APPROVED: 1/16/2014**  
**Site:** 80 Jesse Hill Drive SE, Atlanta, GA 30303 (Fulton County)  
**Contact:** Samuel L. Williams 404-616-5141  
**Estimated Cost:** \$73,994,670

**2013-042 Atlanta Birth Center, Inc.**

Freestanding Birthing Center - batching

**Filed: 8/30/2013 Deemed Complete: 8/30/2013**  
**60th Day Deadline: 10/28/2013**  
**Decision Deadline: 12/27/2013**  
**APPROVED: 12/27/2013**  
**Site:** 1451 Northside Drive, Atlanta, GA 30318 (Fulton County)  
**Contact:** Victor L. Moldovan, Attorney 404-443-5708  
**Estimated Cost:** \$950,000

**2013-043 Northeast Georgia Medical Center - South Hall Campus**

Megavoltage Radiation Therapy - batching

**Filed: 8/30/2013 Deemed Complete: 8/30/2013**

**60th Day Deadline: 10/28/2013**  
**Decision Deadline: 12/27/2013**  
**APPROVED: 12/27/2013**  
**Site:** 5875 Thompson Mill Road, Hoschton, GA 30548 (Hall County)  
**Contact:** Chad T. Bolton, Director of Planning 770-219-6630  
**Estimated Cost:** \$10,577,905

**2013-044 West Georgia Medical Center, Inc.**

PET Scanner Services - batching  
**Filed: 8/30/2013 Deemed Complete: 8/30/2013**  
**60th Day Deadline: 10/28/2013**  
**Decision Deadline: 12/27/2013**  
**APPROVED: 12/27/2013**  
**Site:** 1514 Vernon Road, LaGrange, GA 30240 (Troup County)  
**Contact:** Carol Todd, General Counsel 706-882-1411  
**Estimated Cost:** \$115,000

**2013-045 Appling Healthcare System**

Psych/Substance Abuse Services - batching  
**Filed: 8/30/2013 Deemed Complete: 8/30/2013**  
**60th Day Deadline: 10/28/2013**  
**Decision Deadline: 12/27/2013**  
**APPROVED: 12/27/2013**  
**Site:** 163 E. Tollison Street, Baxley, GA 31515 (Appling County)  
**Contact:** Robin Crosby, Director of Education/Marketing 912-367-9841  
**Estimated Cost:** \$291,489

**2013-046 Greenleaf Center, LLC**

Adult Acute Care Psych/Substance Abuse Bed Expansion - batching  
**Filed: 8/30/2013 Deemed Complete: 8/30/2013**  
**60th Day Deadline: 10/28/2013**  
**Decision Deadline: 12/27/2013**  
**APPROVED: 12/27/2013**  
**Site:** 2209 Pineview Drive, Valdosta, GA 31602 (Lowndes County)  
**Contact:** Mike Ham, CEO 229-671-6611  
**Estimated Cost:** \$273,335

**2013-047 Chatuge Regional Hospital**

Psych/Substance Abuse Services - batching  
**Filed: 8/30/2013 Deemed Complete: 8/30/2013**  
**60th Day Deadline: 10/28/2013**  
**Decision Deadline: 12/27/2013**  
**APPROVED: 12/27/2013**  
**Site:** 110 S. Main Street, Hiawassee, GA 30512 (Townsend County)  
**Contact:** Michael Gowder, Chief Executive Officer 706-745-2111  
**Estimated Cost:** \$1,224,000

**2013-048 Dodge County Hospital**

Psych/Substance Abuse Services - batching  
**Filed: 8/30/2013 Deemed Complete: 8/30/2013**  
**60th Day Deadline: 10/28/2013**  
**Decision Deadline: 12/27/2013**  
**APPROVED: 12/27/2013**  
**Site:** 901 Griffin Avenue, Eastman, GA 31023 (Dodge County)  
**Contact:** Jan Hamrick, CFO 478-448-4050  
**Estimated Cost:** \$25,000

**2013-050 Ty Cobb Regional Medical Center, LLC**

Psych/Substance Abuse Services - batching  
**Filed: 8/30/2013 Deemed Complete: 8/30/2013**  
**60th Day Deadline: 10/28/2013**

**Decision Deadline: 12/27/2013**

**APPROVED: 12/27/2013**

**Site:** 521 Franklin Springs Street, Royston, GA 30662 (Franklin County)

**Contact:** Gregory K. Hearn, Chief Executive Officer 706-356-7820

**Estimated Cost:** \$2,988,850

**2013-052 Northside Hospital**

Renovate/Expand the Surgery Department

**Filed: 9/3/2013 Deemed Complete: 9/17/2013**

**60th Day Deadline: 11/15/2013**

**Decision Deadline: 1/14/2014**

**APPROVED: 1/14/2014**

**Site:** 1000 Johnson Ferry Road, Atlanta, GA 30342 (Fulton County)

**Contact:** Brian Toporek, Senior Planner 404-851-6821

**Estimated Cost:** \$10,802,472

**2013-053 WellStar Cobb Hospital**

Renovate Existing Space

**Filed: 9/3/2013 Deemed Complete: 9/16/2013**

**60th Day Deadline: 11/14/2013**

**Decision Deadline: 1/13/2014**

**APPROVED: 1/13/2014**

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

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

**Estimated Cost:** \$5,621,869

## Recently Denied Applications

**2013-051 Newnan Behavioral Hospital**

Psych/Substance Abuse Services - batching

**Filed: 8/30/2013 Deemed Complete: 8/30/2013**

**60th Day Deadline: 10/28/2013**

**Decision Deadline: 12/27/2013**

**DENIED: 12/27/2013**

**Site:** 58-60 Hospital Road, Newnan, GA 30263 (Coweta County)

**Contact:** Martina Sze, Vice President 212-243-5565

**Estimated Cost:** \$11,109,765

## CON Applications Withdrawn

None

## Appealed Determinations

**DET2013080 Augusta Hospital, LLC d/b/a Trinity Hospital of Augusta - Richmond**

Requested Determination to perform cardiac catheterization procedures, 5/15/2013. Determination of "denied" issued on 08/14/2013. Augusta Hospital, LLC d/b/a Trinity Hospital of Augusta filed request for Administrative Appeal Hearing, 09/12/2013. University Health Services, Inc. filed request to intervene, 9/12/2013. Hearing Officer: William C. Joy, Esq. Hearing Date: December 3 and 4, 2013.

**DET2013108 Dublin Endoscopy Center, LLC – Laurens**

Requested Determination regarding conversion to Single Specialty/Limited Purpose ASC, 7/9/2013. Determination of "non-reviewable as proposed" issued on 8/22/2013. Fairview Park Limited Partnership d/b/a Fairview Park Hospital filed request for Administrative Appeal Hearing, 09/23/2013. Hearing Officer: Ellwood Oakley, III, Esq. Hearing Date: (Rescheduled to) 1/27/2014 and 1/28/2014. 5<sup>th</sup> Floor.

## Appealed LNRs

### **LNR-EQT2013025 Medical Center of Central Georgia – Monroe**

Requested Letter of Non-Reviewability ("LNR") with regard to the acquisition of certain diagnostic equipment, 8/1/2013. The Department issued LNR, 12/11/2013. Hospital Authority of Monroe County Hospital ("MCH") filed a request for Administrative Appeal Hearing, 1/10/2014.

## Appealed CON Projects

### **2010-025 WellStar Kennestone at East Cobb (Cobb)**

Development of an Ambulatory Surgery Facility - Batching

**Agency Decision:** Approved, 9/20/2010

**Appealed By:** St. Joseph's Hospital of Atlanta, 10/19/2010; Northside Hospital-Atlanta and Northside Alpharetta Surgery Center, 10/19/2010; Applicant (Kennestone) requests to intervene, 10/19/2010. St. Joseph's Hospital withdrew request for appeal, 1/20/2011. Hearing postponed pending Order from Hearing Officer. Application is remanded to Department by Hearing Officer, April 6, 2011 for the Department to conduct an additional alternative review under the specific review criteria for ambulatory surgery centers. Department requests, and is granted, extension on Remand decision date, 5/6/2011. On remand, the application for alternative review only is denied, 5/16/2011. The original application remains approved, 9/20/2010.

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

**Hearing Date:** 8/8/2011 – 8/11/2011; proposed orders from parties due 9/23/2011.

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer affirms Department decision approving application, 10/20/2011. Northside Hospital, Inc. requests Commissioner Review, 11/18/2011.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Affirmed Hearing Officer Decision to award CON to WellStar, 1/18/2012. Northside filed petition for judicial review, 2/16/2012.

**Superior Court Decision:** The Superior Court reversed DCH's decision to grant a CON to Kennestone, 7/30/2012.

**Court of Appeals:** Affirmed Superior Court decision reversing DCH decision to grant a CON to Kennestone, 10/25/2013.

**2013-001 MRI & Imaging of Douglasville (Douglas),** Approved, 6/3/2013

**2013-002 MRI & Imaging of Habersham (Habersham),** Approved, 6/3/2013

**2013-005 MRI & Imaging of Hapeville (Fulton),** Approved, 6/12/2013

**2013-006 MRI & Imaging of Duluth (Gwinnett),** Approved, 6/12/2013

Convert Existing Diagnostic Imaging Facility to a CON DTRC

**Appealed By:** Northside Hospital, Inc d/b/a Northside Hospital **Atlanta**, Northside Hospital **Cherokee**, and Northside Hospital **Forsyth**, 7/1/2013.

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

**Hearing Date:** 12/9/2013 – 12/13/2013

**Hearing Decision:** Pending

### **2013-008 Riverside Imaging Specialist, LLC (Bibb)**

Establish a Freestanding Diagnostic Imaging Center

**Agency Decision:** Approved, 6/20/2013.

**Appealed By:** Physicians MRI, Inc. d/b/a Open MRI of Macon ("Open MRI") filed appeal, 7/19/2013.

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

**Hearing Date:** 11/19/2013 – 11/22/2013, 12/19/2013

**Hearing Decision:** Pending

### **2013-010 Northside Hospital - Forsyth (Forsyth)**

Megavoltage Radiation Therapy - Gamma Knife - Batching

**Agency Decision:** Approved, 6/18/2013.

**Appealed By:** St. Joseph's Hospital of Atlanta, 7/17/2013; WellStar Kennestone Hospital, 7/17/2013; Piedmont Hospital, Inc., 7/18/2013. Northside submitted request to intervene, 7/16/2013.

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

**Hearing Date:** 10/21-25/2013 and 10/28-29/2013

**Hearing Decision:** Pending



**2013-015 MRI & Imaging of NE Georgia (Hall)**

Replace one of its Existing MRI Scanner

**Agency Decision:** Approved, 8/16/2013

**Appealed By:** Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital-Atlanta and Northside Hospital-Cherokee ("Northside"), 9/12/2013

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

**Hearing Date:** 2/19/2014 – 2/21/2014 10:00AM

**Hearing Decision:** Pending

**2013-031 WellStar Kennestone Hospital (Cobb)**

Establish New Freestanding ASC - Batching

**Agency Decision:** approved, 9/24/2013

**Appealed By:** Marietta Outpatient Surgery, LTD d/b/a Marietta Surgical Center (MSC), 10/16/2013; Cartersville Medical Center (CMC), 10/16/2013; Northside Hospital, Inc., d/b/a Northside Hospital - Atlanta, Northside Hospital - Cherokee and Northside Alpharetta Surgery Center, (collectively, "Northside"), 10/18/2013.

WellStar Kennestone, Inc., d/b/a WellStar Kennestone Hospital files request to intervene, 10/21/2013.

"Northside" withdraws appeal request, 11/4/2013.

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

**Hearing Date:** 3/4/2014 @ 10:00AM through 3/7/2014

**2013-051 Newnan Behavioral Hospital (Coweta)**

Psych/Substance Abuse Services - batching

**Agency Decision:** Denied, 12/27/2013

**Appealed By:** Vest Newnan, LLC d/b/a Newnan Behavioral Hospital ("NBH"); Southern Crescent Behavioral Health System – Crescent Pines has filed a request to intervene in the administrative hearing, 1/9/2014. Tanner Medical Center, Inc. d/b/a Tanner Medical Center – Villa Rica ("Tanner") filed a request to intervene, 1/16/2014.

**Hearing Officer:** TBD

**Hearing Date:** TBD

**Hearing Decision:** Pending

## **Requests for LNR for Diagnostic or Therapeutic Equipment**

**LNR-EQT2013032 Athens Orthopedic Clinic, P.A.**

Purchase of Fixed MRI-Magnatom Essenza 1.5T

**Request received:** 10/24/2013

**Contact Person:** Kayo Elliot, CEO 706-549-1663

**Determination:** Approved

**Determination Date:** 12/23/2013

**LNR-EQT2013035 Fairview Park, Limited Partnership dba Fairview Parik Hospital**

Fixed CT Scanner

**Request received:** 11/19/2013

**Contact Person:** Ted Short 478-274-3103

**Determination:** Pending

**LNR-EQT2013036 Athens Regional Medical Center, Inc.**

CT Scanner

**Request received:** 12/9/2013

**Contact Person:** Dee Burkett, VP, Prof Srvc 706-475-3637

**Determination:** Pending

**LNR-EQT2013037 Southern Health Center, P.C.**

Acquisition of MRI & CT Scanner

**Request received:** 12/9/2013

**Contact Person:** Joyce H. Poag, MD, CEO 678-317-2283

**Determination:** Pending





**Request received:** 10/9/2013  
**Contact Person:** Scott Hill 706-660-6102  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2013159 Northside Hospital - Forsyth**

Northside Hospital - Forsyth - Replacement of MRI Unit

**Request received:** 10/15/2013

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

**Determination:** Pending

**Opposition:** Open MRI & Imaging of N.E. Georgia, LLC- 11/13/2013; Cumming Diagnostic Imaging, LLC- 11/13/2013

**DET2013161 Gwinnett Hospital System, Inc. dba Gwinnett Medical Center - Lawrenceville**

Establish Cardiac Imaging Center

**Request received:** 10/17/2013

**Contact Person:** Mark m. Mullin 678-312-4193

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 12/30/2013

**DET2013162 MCG Health, Inc. dba Georgia Regents Medical Center**

Replacement of Imaging Equipment

**Request received:** 10/18/2013

**Contact Person:** Daniel Merrell 706-721-4551

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2013166 St. Mary's Health Care System, Inc.**

Update of Two CON Approved MRI Systems

**Request received:** 10/24/2013

**Contact Person:** Jeff Brown, Director, Radiology Svcs 706-389-2305

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 12/23/2013

**DET2013167 SELE Ambulatory Surgery, LLC**

Relocation of Multi-Specialty ASC

**Request received:** 10/29/2013

**Contact Person:** Michael Kleinpeter 912-644-5370

**Determination:** Pending

**Opposition:** Georgia Alliance of Community Hospitals, Inc.- 11/27/2013; Saint Joseph's Hospital, Inc.- 11/27/2013; Candler Hospital, Inc.- 11/27/2013; Saint Joseph's/Candler Health System, Inc.- 11/27/2013; Georgia Hospital Association- 12/2/2013; Memorial Health University Medical Center, Inc.- 12/2/2013

**DET2013168 University Health Servies, Inc. dba University Hospital**

Cardiac Catheterization Lab Replacement

**Request received:** 10/30/2013

**Contact Person:** Edward L. Burr 706-744-8063

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2013169 Tattnell Hospital Compay, LLC dba Optim Surgery Center**

Neurosurgeon Operating in CON approved Orthopedic ASC

**Request received:** 10/30/2013

**Contact Person:** Michael Kleinpeter 912-644-5370

**Determination:** Pending

**Opposition:** Saint Joseph's Hospital, Inc.- 12/2/2013; Candler Hospital, Inc.- 12/2/2013; Saint Joseph's/Candler Health System, Inc.- 12/2/2013; Georgia Alliance of Community Hospitals, Inc.- 12/2/2013; Memorial Health Univ Medical Center- 12/2/2013; -

**DET2013171 Cedar Springs Health & Rehab**

Replacement of 116-Bed Skilled Nursing Facility

**Request received:** 11/5/2013

**Contact Person:** Andrew J. Morris, Member 770-548-9398

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 1/3/2014

**DET2013172 North Georgia Endoscopy Center, Inc.**

Sale of Ambulatory Surgery Center

**Request received:** 11/5/2013  
**Contact Person:** Brian Toporek, Senior Planner 404-851-6821  
**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 1/13/2014

**DET2013173 Floyd Healthcare Management, Inc.**

MOB

**Request received:** 11/12/2013  
**Contact Person:** Stephen Weed 706-509-3257  
**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 1/17/2014

**DET2013174 CPR FDG Buckhead, LLC**

Increase Bed Capacity

**Request received:** 11/13/2013  
**Contact Person:** Woody DeWeese 404-237-2323  
**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 1/17/2014

**DET2013175 Northside Hospital, Inc.**

Relocation of Diagnostic Testing and Rehab Center w/in 3 miles

**Request received:** 11/13/2013  
**Contact Person:** Brian Toporek 404-851-6821  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2013176 Senior Solutions of Social Circle, LLC**

Purchase of 124-Bed Personal Care Home

**Request received:** 11/18/2013  
**Contact Person:** Dwayne Edwards 770-464-4211  
**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 1/17/2014

**DET2013177 Rockdale Healthcare Center**

Renovations Below Capital Expenditure Threshold

**Request received:** 11/26/2013  
**Contact Person:** Jeremy Spradlin, Dir of IT/ Plant Ops 678-987-3804  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2013178 University Health Services, Inc.**

Renovation of Radiology Department

**Request received:** 12/2/2013  
**Contact Person:** Jackie M. Kendinger, Asst Gnrl Cnsl 706-774-8044  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2013179 Hospital Authority of Miller County**

MOB

**Request received:** 12/6/2013  
**Contact Person:** Robin Rau, CEO 229-758-5954  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2013180 Ankle and Foot Centers of Georgia, LLC**

Shift in Interest Ownership of LNR ASC

**Request received:** 12/6/2013  
**Contact Person:** Joseph Giovinco, DPM, CEO 770-631-5121  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2013181 Gwinnett Medical Center - Lawrenceville**

Physician On-Call Support Space

**Request received:** 12/6/2013  
**Contact Person:** Mark M. Mullin, Dir P&D 678-312-4193  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2013182 Emory University Hospital - Executive Park**

Replacement of CT Scanner

**Request received:** 12/6/2013  
**Contact Person:** Toni Wimby, Assoc Admin 404-686-2809  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2013183 Doctors Hospital Inc. d/b/a Doctors Specialty Hospital**

Establish Inpatient Hospice Service

**Request received:** 12/9/2013

**Contact Person:** Tamera Jackson, CEO 706-494-4820

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2013184 Northside Hospital, Inc**

Capital Expenditure for Acquisition of MOB

**Request received:** 12/11/2013

**Contact Person:** Brian Toporek, Sr. Planner 404-851-6821

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2013185 Decatur PET Imaging/Northside Hospital**

Relocation of CON Approved DTRC

**Request received:** 12/12/2013

**Contact Person:** Brian Toporek, Sr. Planner 404-851-6821

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2013186 Decatur PET Imaging/Northside Hospital**

Replacement of PET/CT Unit

**Request received:** 12/12/2013

**Contact Person:** Brian Toporek, Sr. Planner 404-851-6283

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2013187 Rockdale Medical Center**

Replacement of MRI Unit

**Request received:** 12/17/2013

**Contact Person:** James Atkins, COO 770-918-3755

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2013188 Southern Orthopaedic Surgery Center of Fayetteville, LLC**

Expansion of LNR issued Single-Specialty ASC Below Threshold

**Request received:** 12/19/2013

**Contact Person:** Michael Ochal, Development 770-953-6929

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2013189 Grady Memorial Hospital Corp**

Electrical Switchgear Replacement

**Request received:** 12/20/2013

**Contact Person:** Samuel L. Williams, VP, Non-Clinical Sppt Svcs 404-

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2013190 Grady Memorial Hospital Corp d/b/a Grady Health System**

Administrative Office Relocations

**Request received:** 12/20/2013

**Contact Person:** Samuel L. Williams, VP, Non-Clinical Supp Svcs 404-

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2013191 Grady Memorial Hospital Corp d/b/a Grady Health System**

ICU Vacuum Port Additions

**Request received:** 12/20/2013

**Contact Person:** Samuel L. Williams, VP, Non-Clinical Supp Svcs 404-

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2013192 Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Inc.**

Replacement of Robotic Surgery System

**Request received:** 12/20/2013

**Contact Person:** Chad Bolton, Planning Director 770-219-6630

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2013193 Monroe HMA, LLC d/b/a Clearview Regional Medical Center**

Acquisition of Imaging Center Under Capital Expenditure Threshold

**Request received:** 12/23/2013  
**Contact Person:** James Machado, CEO 770-267-1792  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2013194 Monroe HMA, LLC d/b/a Clearview Regional Medical Center**  
Acquisition of Imaging Center Under Capital Expenditure Threshold  
**Request received:** 12/23/2013  
**Contact Person:** James Machado, CEO 770-267-1792  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2013195 The Oaks-Athens Skilled Nursing, LLC**  
Development of CCRC  
**Request received:** 12/26/2013  
**Contact Person:** Patricia Tanner, Administrator 706-355-7400  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2014001 Hospital Authority of Liberty County d/b/a Liberty Regional Medical**  
Renovate Existing Space to Support Nuclear Medicine  
**Request received:** 1/6/2014  
**Contact Person:** Elise Stafford, CLTCO 912-545-3392  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2014002 Northside Hospital, Inc.**  
Capital Expenditure to Acquire Existing MOB  
**Request received:** 1/7/2014  
**Contact Person:** Brian Toporek, Senior Planner 404-851-6821  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2014003 DayBreak Village, LLC**  
Change of Licensed Capacity from 40 to 65  
**Request received:** 1/8/2014  
**Contact Person:** Ben Q. Harbour, Registered Agent/Owner 770-843-2843  
**Determination:** Pending

## Requests for Extended Implementation/Effective Period

**2012062 Emory University d/b/a Emory University Hospital**  
Acquisition of Siemens Magnetom Aera 1.5T MRI  
Request to extend Implementation Date  
**Site:** Winship Cancer Institute, 1365-C Clifton Road, Atlanta  
**Project Approved:** 4/15/2013  
**Request Received:** 12/27/2013  
**Contact:** Toni Wimby, Assoc Administrator (404-686-2450)  
**Approved Cost:** \$3,175,000  
**Determination:** Pending

## Need Projection Analyses *Updated 12/30/2013*

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

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

2018 Non-Special MegaVoltage Radiation Therapy – 12/30/2013

2018 Positron Emission Tomography Services - 12/30/2013

2018 Ambulatory Surgery Center Services - 9/30/2013  
2016 Home Health Agency Services - 9/30/2013

2018 Inpatient Physical Rehabilitation Services - 9/30/2013

2018 Neonatal Intensive Care Beds - 9/30/2013

2018 Neonatal Intermediate Care Beds - 9/30/2013

2018 Obstetric Services Beds - 9/30/2013

2016 Skilled Nursing Home Beds - 9/30/2013

Non-Batched Need Projections

2018 Long Term Care Hospital Beds - 10/10/2013

Note: Short Stay Hospital Bed Need Projections are facility-specific and completed by DCH on an ad hoc basis upon request. Currently, projections can be obtained for 2016 using 2010 utilization.

## Non-Filed or Incomplete Office of Health Planning

### Facility Surveys for Most Recent 3 Years *(Survey Status as of 1/21/2014)*

*Survey Completion Status - Survey completion status represents the status of survey filings as of the effective date indicated in each version of the Tracking Report. Surveys filed on the effective date may not be reflected as complete and may be reported as delinquent. Please contact the staff contact indicated in the instruction materials associated with each survey if your facility has filed its survey but continues to be reflected as incomplete.*

Facility Name	County	Survey Year	Survey Due
<b>Annual Hospital Questionnaire and Addenda (Survey Years 2010 thru 2012)</b>			
Bacon County Hospital	Bacon	2012	3/9/2012
Barrow Regional Medical Center	Barrow	2011	3/9/2012
Berrien County Hospital	Berrien	2011	3/9/2012
Burke Medical Center	Burke	2011	3/9/2012
Burke Medical Center	Burke	2012	3/9/2012
Calhoun Memorial Hospital	Calhoun	2012	3/9/2012
Candler County Hospital	Candler	2012	3/9/2012
Charlton Memorial Hospital	Charlton	2011	3/9/2012
Charlton Memorial Hospital	Charlton	2012	3/9/2012
Clinch Memorial Hospital	Clinch	2012	3/9/2012
Coastal Behavioral Health	Chatham	2012	3/9/2012
Coastal Harbor Treatment Center	Chatham	2012	3/9/2012
East Georgia Regional Medical Center	Bulloch	2012	3/9/2012
Georgia Regional Hospital at Savannah	Chatham	2011	3/9/2012
Georgia Regional Hospital at Savannah	Chatham	2012	3/9/2012
Georgia Regional Hospital-Atlanta	DeKalb	2011	3/9/2012
Georgia Regional Hospital-Atlanta	DeKalb	2012	3/9/2012
Irwin County Hospital	Irwin	2012	3/9/2012
Mountain Lakes Medical Center	Rabun	2012	3/9/2012
Northwest Georgia Regional Hospital	Floyd	2010	3/11/2011
Northwest Georgia Regional Hospital	Floyd	2011	3/9/2012
Northwest Georgia Regional Hospital	Floyd	2012	3/9/2012
Southern Crescent Hospital for Specialty Care	Clayton	2011	3/9/2012
Southern Crescent Hospital for Specialty Care	Clayton	2012	3/9/2012
Southwest Georgia Regional Medical Center	Randolph	2011	3/9/2012
Southwestern State Hospital	Thomas	2012	3/9/2012
Stewart Webster Hospital	Stewart	2010	3/11/2011
Warm Springs Medical Center	Meriwether	2012	3/9/2012
Youth Villages - Inner Harbour Campus	Douglas	2012	3/9/2012



**Annual Nursing Home Questionnaire (Survey Years 2009 thru 2011)**

Agape Health & Rehab of Moultrie, LLC	Colquitt	2011	9/16/2011
Brown's Health & Rehabilitation Center	Bulloch	2011	9/16/2011
Folkston Park Care And Rehabilitation Center	Charlton	2011	9/16/2011
Golden LivingCenter - Augusta	Richmond	2011	9/16/2011
Golden LivingCenter - Decatur	DeKalb	2011	9/16/2011
Golden LivingCenter - Medical Arts	Gwinnett	2011	9/16/2011
Golden LivingCenter - Northside	Fulton	2011	9/16/2011
Goodwill Nursing Home Inc	Bibb	2011	9/16/2011
Hutcheson Medical Center	Catoosa	2011	9/16/2011
Joe-Anne Burgin Nursing Home	Randolph	2011	9/16/2011
Lumber City Nursing & Rehabilitation Center	Telfair	2011	9/16/2011
Manor Care Rehabilitation Center - Decatur	DeKalb	2011	9/16/2011
Manor Care Rehabilitation Center - Marietta	Cobb	2011	9/16/2011
Meadows Nursing Center	Toombs	2011	9/16/2011
New London Health Center	Gwinnett	2011	9/16/2011
Northwest Georgia Regional Hospital ICF/MR	Floyd	2011	9/16/2011
Oceanside Nursing & Rehab Center	Chatham	2011	9/16/2011
Parkside At Hutcheson Medical Center	Walker	2011	9/16/2011
Savannah Beach Nursing & Rehab Center	Chatham	2011	9/16/2011
Savannah Square Health Center	Chatham	2011	9/16/2011
Scepter Health & Rehab of Snellville, LLC	Gwinnett	2011	9/16/2011
Southland Healthcare And Rehabilitation Center	Laurens	2011	9/16/2011
Westminster Commons	Fulton	2011	9/16/2011

**Cardiac Catheterization Services Survey (Survey Years 2009 thru 2011)**

Coffee Regional Medical Center	Coffee	2011	7/13/2011
Hutcheson Medical Center	Catoosa	2010	7/1/2011
Hutcheson Medical Center	Catoosa	2011	7/13/2011

**Freestanding Ambulatory Surgery Services Survey (Survey Years 2010 thru 2012)**

Advanced Aesthetics Surgicenter	FAYETTE	2012	3/25/2013
Ambulatory Laser & Surgery Ctr	CLAYTON	2010	3/11/2011
Ambulatory Laser & Surgery Ctr	CLAYTON	2011	3/9/2012
Ambulatory Laser & Surgery Ctr	CLAYTON	2012	3/25/2013
American Eye Surgery Center, Inc	CLARKE	2010	3/11/2011
Associates Physicians Asc	BIBB	2010	3/11/2011
Associates Physicians Asc	BIBB	2011	3/9/2012
Associates Physicians Asc	BIBB	2012	3/25/2013
Athens Plastic Surgery Center	CLARKE	2011	3/9/2012
Athens Plastic Surgery Center	CLARKE	2012	3/25/2013
Atlanta West Endoscopy Center, Llc	DOUGLAS	2012	3/25/2013
Augusta Ctr For Foot & Ankle	RICHMOND	2012	3/25/2013
Augusta Eye Surgery, Llc	RICHMOND	2012	3/25/2013
Bowman Pain Management, Pc	BIBB	2012	3/25/2013
Brookstone Ambulatory Surgery Center	Muscogee	2012	3/25/2013
Children's Healthcare of Atlanta Surgery, Meridian Mark	Fulton	2012	3/25/2013
Clayton Outpatient Surg Ctr	CLAYTON	2010	3/11/2011
Dekalb Endoscopy Center	DEKALB	2011	3/9/2012
Eye Surgery Center Of Albany, Llc	DOUGHERTY	2012	3/25/2013
Foot & Ankle Surgery Ctr, Llc, The	MUSCOGEE	2010	3/11/2011
Forsyth Surgical Center, Inc.	FORSYTH	2010	3/11/2011
Georgia Pain Physicians dba Georgia Surgical Centers of North Georgia	GORDON	2010	3/11/2011
Georgia Pain Surg Ctr, Inc	COBB	2012	3/25/2013
Georgia Surgical Centers- South	CLAYTON	2012	3/25/2013
Golden Isles Foot Sur Ctr, Inc	GLYNN	2010	3/11/2011

Gw innett Center for Outpatient Surgery	Gw innett	2011	3/9/2012
Houston Lake Surgery Center	HOUSTON	2012	3/25/2013
ISPM ASC AT COVINGTON, LLC	NEWTON	2012	3/25/2013
Jimenez Foot, Ankle & Leg Asc	GWINNETT	2011	3/9/2012
Midtow n Endoscopy Center, Llc	FULTON	2012	3/25/2013
Midtow n Urology Surgical Center	FULTON	2011	3/9/2012
New ton Ambulatory Surgical Center	NEWTON	2012	3/25/2013
North Columbus Surgery Center, LLC	MUSCOGEE	2012	3/25/2013
North Georgia Eye Surgery Center, Llc	HALL	2010	3/11/2011
North Georgia Institute For Wound Care, Llc	FORSYTH	2010	3/11/2011
North Georgia Institute For Wound Care, Llc	FORSYTH	2011	3/9/2012
North Georgia Institute For Wound Care, Llc	FORSYTH	2012	3/25/2013
Northeast Georgia Urological Surgery Center, Llc	HALL	2011	3/9/2012
Northeast Georgia Urological Surgery Center, Llc	HALL	2012	3/25/2013
Northside Foot & Ankle Outpat	GWINNETT	2012	3/25/2013
Northw est ENT Surgery Center	Cherokee	2012	3/25/2013
Pain Care Center of Georgia	Henry	2012	3/25/2013
Pain Clinic Of Aimr, P.c.	FULTON	2011	3/9/2012
Pain Specialty Center Of Atl	FULTON	2012	3/25/2013
Peach State Surgical Centers, Inc	HOUSTON	2012	3/25/2013
Piedmont Eye	FULTON	2010	3/11/2011
Planned Parenthood Reproductive Health Services, Inc.	Richmond	2012	3/25/2013
Rome Endoscopy Ctr Inc, The	FLOYD	2010	3/11/2011
Rome Endoscopy Ctr Inc, The	FLOYD	2011	3/9/2012
Rome Endoscopy Ctr Inc, The	FLOYD	2012	3/25/2013
Rome Foot And Ankle Surgery Center	FLOYD	2012	3/25/2013
Savannah Outpatient Foot and Ankle Surgery Center, LLC	Chatham	2011	3/9/2012
Southeast Treatment Center, Llc	CAMDEN	2010	3/11/2011
Southeast Treatment Center, Llc	CAMDEN	2011	3/9/2012
Southeast Treatment Center, Llc	CAMDEN	2012	3/25/2013
Surgery Center of Athens	Clarke	2011	3/9/2012
Surgery Center of Athens	Clarke	2012	3/25/2013
Tifton Endoscopy Center, Inc.	TIFT	2010	3/11/2011
Universal Ambulatory Surgery Center, P C	MUSCOGEE	2010	3/11/2011
Universal Ambulatory Surgery Center, P C	MUSCOGEE	2011	3/9/2012
Urology Center Of Georgia Llc	BIBB	2010	3/11/2011
Urology Center Of Georgia Llc	BIBB	2011	3/9/2012
Urology Center Of Georgia Llc	BIBB	2012	3/25/2013
Urology Institute Asc, The	THOMAS	2012	3/25/2013
Valdosta Endoscopy Center, Llc	LOWNDES	2010	3/11/2011
Valdosta Foot & Ankle Surgery	LOWNDES	2010	3/11/2011
Valdosta Foot & Ankle Surgery	LOWNDES	2011	3/9/2012
Valdosta Foot & Ankle Surgery	LOWNDES	2012	3/25/2013
West Paces Ambulatory Surgical Center, LLC	FULTON	2012	3/25/2013
Woodhams Laser & Lens Implant	FULTON	2010	3/11/2011

### Home Health Agency Survey (Survey Years 2010 thru 2012)

Appalachian Home Health Care	Union	2010	3/11/2011
Appalachian Home Health Care	Union	2011	3/9/2012
Appalachian Home Health Care	Union	2012	3/15/2013
Central Georgia Home Health, Macon	Bibb	2012	3/15/2013
HCMC Home Care	Habersham	2012	3/15/2013
Intrepid USA Healthcare Services	Glynn	2010	3/11/2011
Medside Home Health Agency	Fulton	2011	3/9/2012
Medside Home Health Agency	Fulton	2012	3/15/2013

Trinity Home Health	Richmond	2011	3/9/2012
Trinity Home Health	Richmond	2012	3/15/2013
Visiting Nurses Association of Greater Tift Co	Tift	2011	3/9/2012

### Hospital Financial Survey (Survey Years 2009 thru 2011)

Charlton Memorial Hospital	Charlton	2011	7/13/2012
Mountain Lakes Medical Center	Rabun	2010	7/8/2011
Mountain Lakes Medical Center	Rabun	2011	7/13/2012

### Open Heart Surgery Services Survey (Survey Years 2009 thru 2011)

All surveys filed for most recent 3 years.

### Positron Emission Tomography Services Survey (Survey Years 2010 thru 2012)

All surveys filed for most recent 3 years.

### Radiation Therapy Services Survey (Survey Years 2010 thru 2012)

Hutcheson Medical Center	Catoosa	2010	4/29/2011
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## Indigent and Charity Care Shortfalls

### Facilities with Indigent and Charity Care Commitment Shortfalls for Most Recent 3 Years (Commitment status as of 1/21/2014)

Facility Name	County	Year	Shortfall Due	Service
Atlanta Aesthetic and Reconstructive Surgery Center, LLC	FULTON	2011	17,310.40	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Clayton Cataract and Laser Surgery Center	Clayton	2011	66,531.12	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Dennis Surgery Center, INC	Fulton	2012	11,126.07	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Dublin Endoscopy Center, LLC	LAURENS	2012	49,656.94	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Foot Surgery Center, The	COBB	2012	9,241.11	Ambulatory Surgery Center
G.I. Endoscopy Center	CLAYTON	2010	75,209.04	Ambulatory Surgery Center
G.I. Endoscopy Center	CLAYTON	2011	10,731.33	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Northlake Endoscopy Center	DEKALB	2012	24,871.89	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Northwoods Surgery Center, LLC	Forsyth	2012	73,629.63	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Schulze Surgery Center, Inc.	Chatham	2010	25,369.55	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Schulze Surgery Center, Inc.	Chatham	2011	27,490.23	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Schulze Surgery Center, Inc.	Chatham	2012	29,475.08	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Specialty Surgery Center, Inc.	FULTON	2010	9,376.56	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Specialty Surgery Center, Inc.	FULTON	2011	4,035.84	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Specialty Surgery Center, Inc.	FULTON	2012	46,920.00	Ambulatory Surgery Center
AseraCare Home Health	Fulton	2012	42,409.08	Home Health Agency
Caresouth Homecare Professionals	Hall	2012	49,006.35	Home Health Agency
Caresouth Homecare Professionals - Macon	Bibb	2012	2,390.02	Home Health Agency
Caresouth Homecare Professionals - Washington	Elbert	2011	98,252.02	Home Health Agency
Caresouth Homecare Professionals - Washington	Elbert	2012	77,385.84	Home Health Agency

Notes: The provisions of the Provider Payment Act of 2010 exempt eligible hospitals from being required to pay shortfalls associated with CON indigent and charity care commitments while the Act is in force. Critical Access Hospitals, Psychiatric Hospitals, and State-owned hospitals are exempt from the PPA so must still pay shortfalls associated with CON

## **NEW CERTIFICATE OF NEED FILING REQUIREMENTS**

### **Notices of Intent**

Effective July 1, 2008, 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 NOW 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 notices of intent submitted by either telephone, facsimile or e-mail pursuant to Rule 111-2-2-.06(5).

**Note:** The Department will begin implementing the Letter of Intent requirement on July 15, 2008. Beginning with that date, 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.

### **BATCHING REQUIREMENTS**

The Department will be promulgating rules for services that will now be batched pursuant to O.C.G.A. 31-6-43(e) which states:

*To allow the opportunity for comparative review of applications, the department may provide by rule for applications for a certificate of need to be submitted on a timetable or batching cycle basis no less often than two times per calendar year for each clinical health service. Applications for services, facilities, or expenditures for which there is no specified batching cycle may be filed at any time.*

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

# New Batching Review

The Department will be transitioning many of the reviewable CON services into quarterly Batching Cycles. These services and the Batching Cycles are as follows:

	Batched Service	Batching Notice	Letter of Intent	Application Deadline
FALL	Home Health, Skilled Nursing Facilities, Intermediate Care Facilities, Perinatal Service, Inpatient Rehabilitation, Ambulatory Surgery	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	March	April	May
SUMMER	PET, Mega Voltage Radiation Therapy, Pediatric Cath/Open Heart, Adult Open Heart, Psych/Substance Abuse, Birthing Centers	June	July	August

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.

## Batching Notifications— *Posted 12/30/2013 on DCH Website*

### Winter Batching Review Cycle Notifications

[PET](#)

[Adult Open Heart](#)

[Birthing Centers](#)

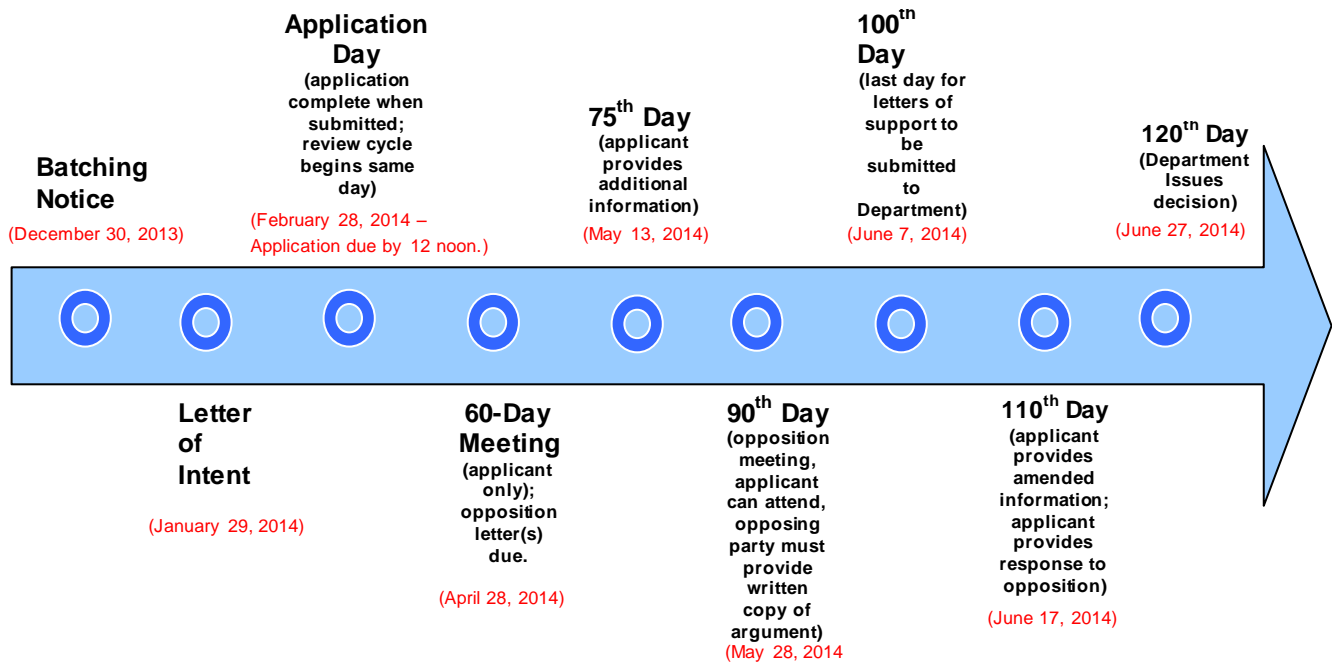
[Psych/Substance Abuse](#)

[Mega Voltage Radiation Therapy](#)

[Pediatric Cath/Open Heart](#)

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

## WINTER CYCLE

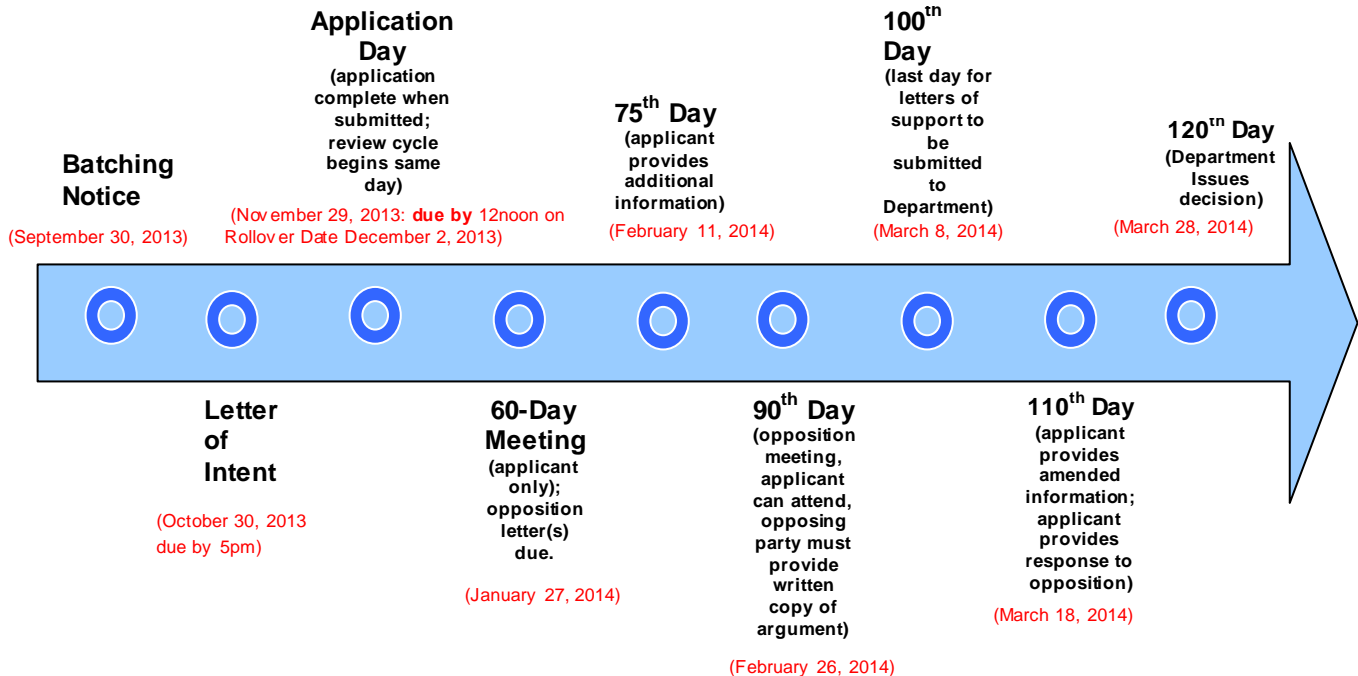


**Batching Notice issued 30 days before Letter of Intent Due**

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

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

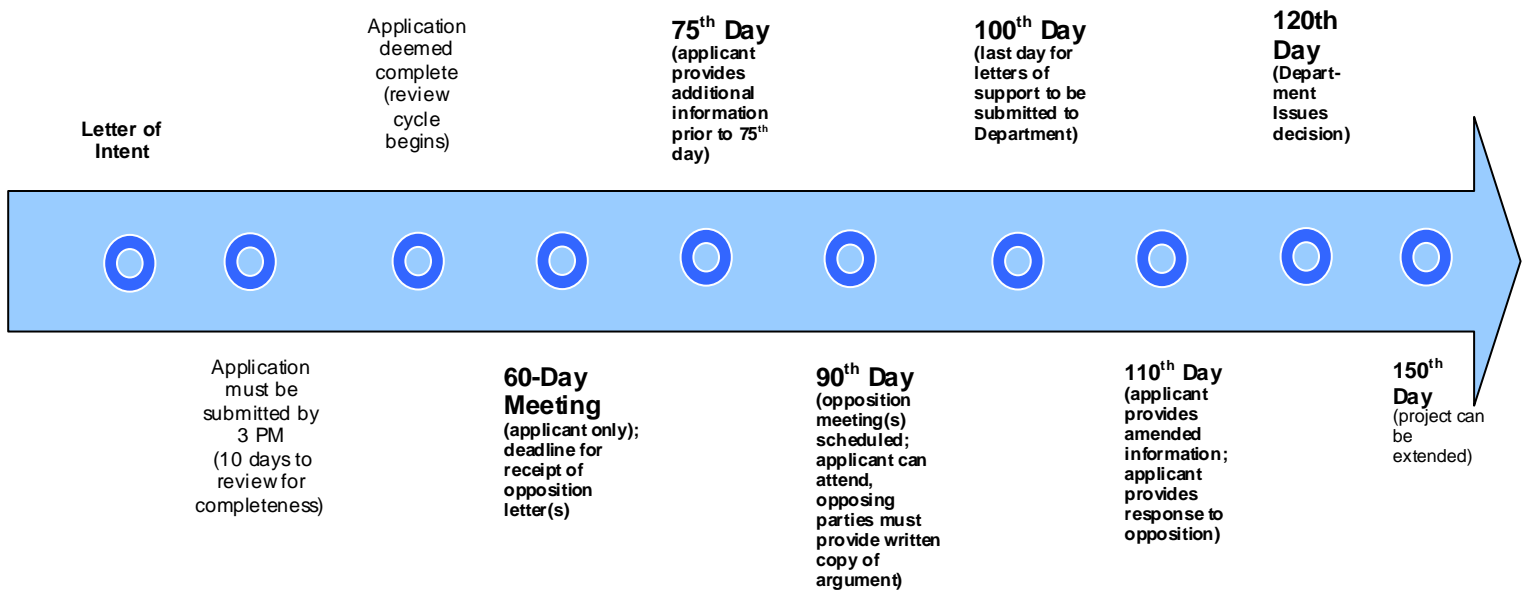
## FALL CYCLE



### ► Batching Notice issued 30 days before Letter of Intent Due

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

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



- ▶ Letter of Intent received by Department 30 days before application is submitted
- ▶ Application submitted (10 working days to review for completeness). Applications submitted after 3:00 PM will be considered received on the next business day.
- ▶ Application deemed complete; 120-day review cycle begins
- ▶ 60-day meeting (applicant only); deadline for receipt of opposition letter(s)
- ▶ 75<sup>th</sup> day - applicant provides additional information prior to 75<sup>th</sup> day
- ▶ 90<sup>th</sup> day – Opposition Meeting(s) scheduled; applicant can be in attendance; opposing parties must provide written statement of opposition arguments presented (original and one copy to the Department and one copy to the applicant); presentation time will be limited; Department reserves right to make additional inquiries subsequent to 60-day meeting and following opposition meeting.
- ▶ 100<sup>th</sup> day Last day for letters of support to be submitted to the Department
- ▶ 110<sup>th</sup> day Applicant deadline for submitting amended information; applicant deadline for providing written response to opposition; applicant deadline for providing written response to Department's inquiries subsequent to opposition meeting
- ▶ 120<sup>th</sup> day Decision issued (Department has discretion to extend to 150<sup>th</sup> day)



## NEW REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Beginning July 1, 2008, all facilities operating under a previously granted exemption or letter of nonreviewability as provided at O.C.G.A. 31-6-40(c)(2)(A) will be required to:

Provide notice to the department by August 15, 2008, of the following:

Name  
Ownership  
Location  
Single Specialty  
Services provided in the exempt facility

For purposes of complying with this requirement, notice may be sent through the mail, by facsimile, or e-mail. Information will not be accepted by telephone. Please submit this information to:

Georgia Department of Community Health  
Healthcare Facility Regulation Division  
c/o Matthew Jarrard  
2 Peachtree Street, NW – 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Fax Number: 404-656-0654  
E-mail address: mjarrard@dch.ga.gov

These facilities will also be required to provide annual reports beginning on January 1, 2009, in accordance with the Department's annual reporting requirements for existing CON-approved facilities and services. Further reporting instructions will be provided by the Department.

Noncompliance with this information request may result in a fine as authorized under O.C.G.A. 31-6-70(e)(1).

These reports will not be due to the Department until the survey instrument has been issued. The survey instrument for ambulatory surgery services is now complete. Further information will be forthcoming by mail.

The survey instrument for imaging centers is expected to be released on or before July 1, 2009.

### 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. Such requests will be accepted only on the Department's Determination Request form with the required filing fee of \$250. Note: Requests for confirmation of the exemptions for a single specialty ambulatory surgical center or a joint venture ambulatory surgical center and equipment below the threshold are considered requests for a Letter of Nonreviewability and require a \$500 filing fee.

# CERTIFICATE OF NEED APPEAL PANEL

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## Legislation - Senate Bill 433

[Senate Bill 433 as passed on April 4, 2008](#)

## Office of Health Planning Contact Information

For general questions related to the Office of Health Planning, questions concerning Health Planning surveys, indigent and charity care commitment shortfalls, and all other matters please contact Matthew Jarrard, Director ([mjarrard@dch.ga.gov](mailto:mjarrard@dch.ga.gov))

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

For LNR/DET letters and for CON related matters please contact Roxana Tatman, Legal Director, Health Planning ([rtatman@dch.ga.gov](mailto:rtatman@dch.ga.gov))

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

Effective January 1, 2012 agencies or political subdivisions of the State of Georgia providing or administering a public benefit are required to verify that applicants for a public benefit are in the United States in a lawful manner. See O.C.G.A. § 50-36-1(e). Certificates of Need (CON) are considered a public benefit under the new provisions. Therefore, an applicant for a CON must be in compliance with the law for the CON to be awarded.

Effective January 1, 2012 all CON applications must include an original signed and notarized affidavit in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 50-36-1(e)(2) as well as a copy of a secure and verifiable document in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 50-36-2. A copy of the affidavit along with instructions for submitting the affidavit and secure and verifiable document can be located at the following link or by navigating to the CON Applications and Forms page from the CON Information link from [www.dch.georgia.gov](http://www.dch.georgia.gov).

[http://dch.georgia.gov/vgn/images/portal/cit\\_1210/23/25/180044217HB87\\_CON\\_Instructions\\_1-1-2012.pdf](http://dch.georgia.gov/vgn/images/portal/cit_1210/23/25/180044217HB87_CON_Instructions_1-1-2012.pdf)

CONs that are approved and issued after January 1, 2012 for applications that were submitted prior to January 1, 2012 are also subject to these provisions. DCH will contact applicants to provide instruction related to compliance prior to issuing such a CON.

## Open Record Requests

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

<http://dch.georgia.gov/health-planning-publications-and-data-resources>

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

Please also visit [www.GaMap2Care.info](http://www.GaMap2Care.info) for healthcare facility and reporting information.

## Special Note

Please do not submit Letters of Opposition or Letters of Support **prior** to the Department's receipt of an actual Certificate of Need application. The [Letters of Intent](#) section of the *Tracking and Appeals Report* provides the date on which the CON Application must be submitted for each potential project. If the CON application is not received on that date, the associated Letter of Intent is considered expired.