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***January 7, 2015 – January 13, 2015***

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## Letters of Intent

### **LOI2015001 Rockdale Medical Center**

Add (Up To 24) Short-Stay Beds

**Received: 1/8/2015**

**Application must be submitted on: 2/9/2015**

**Site:** 1412 Milstead Ave NE, Conyers, GA 30012 (Rockdale County)

**Estimated Cost:** \$13,000,000

## Expired Letters of Intent

none

## New CON Applications

### **2015-001 Floyd Medical Center**

Renovate Main Campus Hospital Facility

**Filed: 1/12/2015**

**Site:** 304 Turner McCall Boulevard, Rome, GA 30162 (Floyd County)

**Contact:** Stephen Weed, Director of Planning 706-509-3257

**Estimated Cost:** \$19,563,140

## Pending Review/Incomplete Applications

none

## Pending Review/Complete Applications

### **2014-035 Meadows Regional Medical Center**

Expansion of Medical Oncology/Chemotherapy Service

**Filed: 8/18/2014 Deemed Incomplete: 9/2/2014 Deemed Complete: 9/23/2014**

**60th Day Deadline: 11/21/2014**

**Decision Deadline: 1/20/2015**

**Site:** One Meadows Parkway, Vidalia, GA 30474 (Toombs County)

**Contact:** J. Alan Kent, President and CEO 912-535-5827

**Estimated Cost:** \$8,383,480

### **2014-039 Northside Hospital Inc d/b/a Northside Hospital - Cherokee**

Acquisition of da Vinci Robotic Surgery System Northside Hospital-Cherokee

**Filed: 9/15/2014 Deemed Complete: 9/29/2014**

**60th Day Deadline: 11/27/2014**

**Decision Deadline: 1/26/2015**

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

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

**Estimated Cost:** \$2,512,865

### **2014-040 Memorial Health University Medical Center, Inc.**

Replace, Relocate and Expand Children's Hospital

**Filed: 9/19/2014 Deemed Incomplete: 10/3/2014 Deemed Complete: 10/23/2014**

**60th Day Deadline: 12/21/2014**

**Decision Deadline: 2/19/2015**

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

**Contact:** William Lee, Sr VP & Chief Strategy Officer 912-350-0884

**Estimated Cost:** \$28,028,250

### **2014-041 Piedmont Fayette Hospital**

Renovate & Expand Emergency Department & Acute Space

**Filed: 9/29/2014 Deemed Complete: 10/14/2014**

**60th Day Deadline: 12/12/2014**

**Decision Deadline: 2/10/2015**

**Site:** 1255 Highway 54 West, Fayetteville, GA 30214 (Fayette County)

**Contact:** Tracey Coker, VP, Clinical and Support Services 770-719-7077

**Estimated Cost:** \$21,961,600

**2014-042 Townsend Park Health & Rehabilitation LLC dba Townsend Park Health & Rehab**

Replacement and Reconstruction of Existing Center

**Filed: 10/3/2014 Deemed Complete: 10/17/2014**

**60th Day Deadline: 12/15/2014**

**Decision Deadline: 2/13/2015**

**Site:** 196 N. Dixie Avenue, Cartersville, GA 30120 (Bartow County)

**Contact:** Stelling Nelson, Authorized Rep. 478-314-1560

**Estimated Cost:** \$10,015,895

**2014-043 Coffee County Nursing Home, LLC dba Shady Acres Health and Rehabilitation**

Replacement & Reconstruction of Existing Center

**Filed: 10/3/2014 Deemed Complete: 10/17/2014**

**60th Day Deadline: 12/15/2014**

**Decision Deadline: 2/13/2015**

**Site:** 1310 West Gordon Street, Douglas, GA 31533 (Coffee County)

**Contact:** Stelling Nelson, Authorized Rep. 478-314-1560

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

**2014-044 Doctors Hospital of Augusta, LLC d/b/a Doctors Hospital of Augusta**

Renovate and Expand Surgical Services Department

**Filed: 10/16/2014 Deemed Incomplete: 10/27/2014 Deemed Complete: 12/2/2014**

**60th Day Deadline: 1/30/2015**

**Decision Deadline: 3/31/2015**

**Site:** 3651 Wheeler Road, Augusta, GA 30909 (Richmond County)

**Contact:** Chris Cosby, Chief Operating Officer 706-651-6101

**Estimated Cost:** \$8,415,283

**2014-045 Egleston Children's Hospital at Emory University, Inc. dba**

Addition of a Third MRI Unit

**Filed: 10/17/2014 Deemed Incomplete: 10/28/2014 Deemed Complete: 11/4/2014**

**60th Day Deadline: 1/2/2015**

**Decision Deadline: 3/3/2015**

**Site:** 1405 Clifton Road, NE, Atlanta, GA 30322 (DeKalb County)

**Contact:** David R. Tatum, Vice President 404-785-7556

**Estimated Cost:** \$3,600,000

**2014-046 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital - Forsyth**

Capital Expenditure to Add Shared Operating Rooms - Northside Hospital - Forsyth

**Filed: 10/31/2014 Deemed Complete: 11/14/2014**

**60th Day Deadline: 1/12/2015**

**Decision Deadline: 3/13/2015**

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

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

**Estimated Cost:** \$9,029,000

**2014-047 Northside Hospital - Forsyth**

16 Bed Expansion of Northside Hospital - Forsyth

**Filed: 11/17/2014 Deemed Complete: 12/1/2014**

**60th Day Deadline: 1/29/2015**

**Decision Deadline: 3/30/2015**

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

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

**Estimated Cost:** \$44,624,831

**2014-048 Northside Hospital - Cherokee**

9 Bed Expansion of Northside Hospital - Cherokee

**Filed:** 11/17/2014 **Deemed Complete:** 12/1/2014

**60th Day Deadline:** 1/29/2015

**Decision Deadline:** 3/30/2015

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

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

**Estimated Cost:** \$3,341,300

**2014-049 Georgia Advanced Surgery Center for Women, LLC**

Conversion to Single Specialty CON ASC - Batching

**Filed:** 11/29/2014 **Deemed Complete:** 11/29/2014

**60th Day Deadline:** 1/27/2015

**Decision Deadline:** 3/28/2015

**Site:** 958-A Joe Frank Harris Parkway Suite 107, Cartersville, GA 30120 (Bartow County)

**Contact:** Hugo D. Ribot, M.D., Managing Partner 678-605-9399

**Estimated Cost:** \$249,348

**2014-050 Athens Regional Medical Center, Inc.**

Establish Level III Neonatal Intensive Care Service - Batching

**Filed:** 11/29/2014 **Deemed Complete:** 11/29/2014

**60th Day Deadline:** 1/27/2015

**Decision Deadline:** 3/28/2015

**Site:** 1199 Prince Avenue, Athens, GA 30606 (Clarke County)

**Contact:** Jody Corry, General Counsel 706-475-1195

**Estimated Cost:** \$738,000

**2014-051 Piedmont Newnan Hospital, Inc.**

Establish Level III Neonatal Intensive Care Services - Batching

**Filed:** 11/29/2014 **Deemed Complete:** 11/29/2014

**60th Day Deadline:** 1/27/2015

**Decision Deadline:** 3/28/2015

**Site:** 745 Poplar Road, Newnan, GA 30265 (Coweta County)

**Contact:** Nathan Nipper, Chief Operating Officer 770-400-1013

**Estimated Cost:** \$1,007,780

**2014-052 Saint Joseph's Hospital of Atlanta, Inc. dba Emory Saint Joseph's Hospital**

Relocation of Regency Hospital of South Atlanta from AMC - South Campus to ESJH

**Filed:** 12/3/2014 **Deemed Complete:** 12/17/2014

**60th Day Deadline:** 2/14/2015

**Decision Deadline:** 4/15/2015

**Site:** 5665 Peachtree Dunwoody Road, NE, Atlanta, GA 30342 (Fulton County)

**Contact:** Brian Williams, VP Business Development 404-304-5061

**Estimated Cost:** \$4,114,159

## Recently Approved Applications

**2014-034 Bostick Nursing Center, The**

Cost Overrun GA2011-043

**Filed:** 8/15/2014 **Deemed Complete:** 8/29/2014

**60th Day Deadline:** 10/27/2014

**Decision Deadline:** 12/26/2014

**APPROVED:** 12/19/2014

**Site:** 1700 Bostick Circle, Hardwick, GA 31034 (Baldwin County)

**Contact:** Carlo Musso, MD, President 770-692-4750

**Estimated Cost:** \$7,414,949

### **2014-037 Northside Hospital - Cherokee**

Acquire a Second Linear Accelerator - Batching

**Filed: 8/29/2014 Deemed Complete: 8/29/2014**

**60th Day Deadline: 10/27/2014**

**Decision Deadline: 12/26/2014**

**APPROVED: 12/19/2014**

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

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

**Estimated Cost:** \$6,593,223

## **Recently Denied Applications**

none

## **CON Applications Withdrawn by Applicant**

### **2014-036 North Fulton Hospital**

Develop a 24 Bed Inpatient Psychiatric Unit - Batching

**Filed: 8/29/2014 Deemed Complete: 8/29/2014**

**60th Day Deadline: 10/27/2014**

**Decision Deadline: 12/26/2014**

**WITHDRAWN: 12/18/2014**

**Site:** 3000 Hospital Blvd, Roswell, GA 30076 (Fulton County)

**Contact:** Deborah C. Keel, CEO 770-751-2515

**Estimated Cost:** \$3,359,872

### **2014-038 Redmond Regional Medical Center**

Create a New 31-bed Inpatient General Psychiatric Unit - Batching

**Filed: 8/29/2014 Deemed Complete: 8/29/2014**

**60th Day Deadline: 10/27/2014**

**Decision Deadline: 12/26/2014**

**WITHDRAWN: 12/18/2014**

**Site:** 501 Redmond Road, Rome, GA 30165 (Floyd County)

**Contact:** Jean McDonald, VP for Business Dev. 706-802-3178

**Estimated Cost:** \$3,773,870

## **Appealed Determinations**

### **DET2014043 Open MRI & Imaging of Conyers, LLC**

Request for Letter of Determination regarding Modification of CON and Extension of Performance Period.

Determination of "non-reviewable as proposed" issued on 08/13/14. Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital, Northside Hospital – Forsyth, and Northside Hospital filed request for Administrative Appeal Hearing, 09/12/14. Hearing Officer William Joy, Esq.

### **DET2014094 Diagnostic Imaging Services, L.C. and Northside Hospital, Inc.**

Request for Letter of Determination regarding the Replacement of CON-Authorized Equipment. Determination of "non-reviewable as proposed" issued on 08/13/14. Diagnostic Imaging of Atlanta, LLC filed request for Administrative Appeal Hearing, 09/11/14. Hearing Officer William Joy, Esq.

### **DET2014095 Diagnostics Imaging Services, L.C. d/b/a OMI Diagnostics - Marietta**

Request for Letter of Determination regarding Replacement of CON-Authorized Equipment. Determination of "non-reviewable as proposed" issued on 08/13/14. Diagnostic Imaging of Atlanta, LLC filed request for Administrative Appeal Hearing, 09/11/14. Hearing Officer William Joy, Esq.

## **DET2014103 Northside Hospital, Inc.**

Request for Letter of Determination regarding Replacement of CON-Authorized Imaging Equipment. Determination of "non-reviewable as proposed" issued on 08/20/14. Woodstock Diagnostic Imaging, LLC filed request for Administrative Appeal Hearing, 09/11/14. Hearing Officer William Joy, Esq.

## **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. Hearing Officer: Melvin M. Goldstein, Esq. Administrative Hearing Date: 11/3/2014 to 11/5/2014, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor. MCCG granted Summary Adjudication and MCH's Motion to Compel discovery need not be determined in the matter, 11/5/2014. Hospital Authority of Monroe County requested Commissioner Review, 12/5/2014. Commissioner affirms 11/5/2014 Hearing Officer Decision, 12/30/2014.

## **Appealed CON Projects**

**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

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

**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:** DCH decisions affirmed by Hearing Officer in 2013-001, 002, 005 and 006, 4/3/2014.

Hospital Forsyth and Northside Hospital Cherokee filed request for Commissioner Review, 5/2/2014.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Hearing Officer's decision affirming DCH's approval becomes the final agency decision, 5/28/2014. Appealed to Superior Court, 6/25/2014.

**Superior Court Decision:** Superior Court Judge affirmed Departments decision 10/27/14. Northside Hospital filed Application for Discretionary Appeal with Court of Appeals, 11/25/2014

**Court of Appeals:** Application for Discretionary appeal denied, 12/23/2014.

### **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 and 4/3/2014

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer reverses DCH decision, 7/17/2014. The Department and WellStar Kennestone filed requests for Commissioner Review, 8/18/2014.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Hearing Officer is reversed and the original decision of the Department to award a CON to Kennestone becomes the final agency decision, 9/15/2014.

Marietta Outpatient Surgery, LTD d/b/a Marietta Surgical Center (MSC), and Cartersville Medical Center (CMC) filed petition for judicial review, 10/15/2014.

**Superior Court Decision:** Pending

### **2013-043 Northeast Georgia Medical Center - South Hall Campus (Hall)**

Megavoltage Radiation Therapy - batching

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

**Appealed By:** RCOG Cancer Centers, LLC d/b/a Gwinnett County Radiation Therapy Center-Lawrenceville ("RCOG-Lawrenceville") filed an appeal, 1/24/2014; RCOG-Snellville filed an appeal, 1/24/2014; East Georgia Radiation Holding Company, LLC and University Cancer & Blood Center, LLC (f/k/a Northeast Georgia Cancer Care, LLC) together "East Georgia", filed an appeal, 1/24/2014; Athens Regional Medical Center, Inc. filed an appeal, 1/27/2014; Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Inc., filed request to intervene in any appeal, 1/23/2014.

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

**Hearing Date:** 7/21/2014 through 7/25/2014

**Hearing Decision:** Department's decision is affirmed by Hearing Officer, 11/7/2014. RCOG Cancer Centers, LLC dba Gwinnett County Radiation Therapy Centers filed request for Commissioner Review, 12/8/2014.

**Commissioner Review Decision:** The Hearing Officer Decision of November 7, 2014 is affirmed to award CON, 1/5/2015.

#### **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 Campus and Southern Crescent Behavioral Health System - Anchor Hospital campus have filed requests 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. RiverWoods Behavioral Health, LLC, d/b/a RiverWoods Behavioral Health ("RiverWoods") filed request to intervene in hearing, 1/24/2014. Motion for Summary Adjudication of UHS of Anchor, LP denied, 5/16/2014.

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

**Hearing Date:** (Revised) 6/23/2014 to 6/26/2014 and 7/8/2014 to 7/11/2014, 41<sup>st</sup> Floor, 9AM.

**Hearing Decision:** Hearing Officer affirms DCH decision, 10/16/2014. Vest Newnan, LLC d/b/a Newnan Behavioral Hospital filed requests for Commissioner Review, 11/14/2014. The City of Newnan, Georgia and Coweta County filed request for Commissioner Review, 11/14/2014

**Commissioner Review Decision:** Pending

#### **2014-010 Vest Monroe, LLC (Walton)**

Establishment of a New Psychiatric Hospital - Batching

**Agency Decision:** Approved, 6/27/2014

**Appealed By:** UHS of SummitRidge, LLC d/b/a SummitRidge Hospital ("SummitRidge"), 7/25/2014; Eastside Medical Center, 7/25/2014.

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

**Hearing Date:** 11/17/2014 to 11/21/2014

**Hearing Decision:** Pending

#### **2014-013 Northside Medical Center (Muscogee)**

Capital Expenditure to Develop 24-Hr Emergency Dept/Expand ICU Capacity

**Agency Decision:** Approved, 7/17/2014

**Appealed By:** St. Francis Hospital, Inc. ("St. Francis"), 8/15/2014

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

**Hearing Date:** 1/12/2015 to 1/15/2015.

#### **2014-021 Northside Hospital Cherokee dba Nrthsde Cherokee at Towne Lake Surgery Ctr (Cherokee)**

Establish a Multi-Specialty Ambulatory Surgery Center - Batching

**Agency Decision:** Approved, 9/26/2014

**Appealed By:** Kennestone Hospital, Inc. d/b/a WellStar Kennestone Hospital, 10/24/2014; Northside Hospital Cherokee files request to intervene, 10/22/2014.

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

**Hearing Date:** Pending

**2014-028 HealthSouth Rehabilitation of Hospital of Forsyth County, LLC. (Forsyth)**

Establish a New 50-Bed Comprehensive Inpatient Physical Rehabilitation Hospital - Batching

**Agency Decision:** Denied, 9/26/2014

**Appealed By:** Applicant, 10,22,2014. WellStar Kennestone submitted request to intervene, 10/24/2014; WellStar Cobb Hospital submitted request to intervene, 10/24/2014; Northeast Georgia Medical Center submitted request to intervene, 10/24/2014; Gwinnett Medical Center- Duluth, submitted request to intervene, 10/24/2014; North Fulton Hospital submitted request to intervene, 10/24/2014.

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

**Hearing Date:** Pending

**2014-019 University Hospital (Columbia)**

**2014-029 GRHealth Columbia County (Columbia)**

**2014-030 Doctors Hospital of Augusta (Columbia)**

2014-019 Establish a New 100-Bed Short-Stay Acute Care Hospital

2014-029 Establish New 100-Bed Community Teaching Hospital

2014-030 Construction of New Short-Stay General Acute Care Hospital

**Agency Decision:** 2014-019 Denied, 11/26/14; 2014-029 Approved, 11/26/14; 2014-030 Denied, 11/26/14

**Appealed:** University McDuffie appeals 2014-029 approval,12/22/2014; University Augusta appeals its own denial and appeals 2014-029 approval,12/22/14. Doctors Hospital appeals approval of 2014-029, 12/23/2014.

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

**Hearing Date:** Pending

## Requests for LNR for Diagnostic or Therapeutic Equipment

**LNR-EQT2014021 Diagnostic Imaging Specialists, PA**

Purchase of Fixed MRI

**Request received:** 10/17/2014

**Contact Person:** Fred Downs, Administrator 404-459-8440

**Determination:** Approved **Determination Date:** 12/19/2014

**LNR-EQT2014022 Hospital Authority of Tift County d/b/a Tift Regional Medical Center**

Operational Lease of Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy Chambers

**Request received:** 10/29/2014

**Contact Person:** James Nixon, VP, Administrative & Clinical Services 229-

**Determination:** Approved **Determination Date:** 12/31/2014

**LNR-EQT2014023 Peachtree Neurosurgery Associates, LLC**

Purchase of Fixed MRI

**Request received:** 11/5/2014

**Contact Person:** Joy Taylor, Practice Administrator 404-256-2633

**Determination:** Approved **Determination Date:** 12/31/2014

**LNR-EQT2014024 Diagnostic Imaging Specialists, PA**

Purchase of Fixed MRI

**Request received:** 11/12/2014

**Contact Person:** Fred Downs, Administrator 404-459-8440

**Determination:** Approved **Determination Date:** 1/9/2015

**LNR-EQT2014025 OrthoAtlanta, LLC**

Purchase of Fixed MRI

**Request received:** 11/12/2014

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

**Determination:** Approved **Determination Date:** 1/9/2015

**LNR-EQT2014026 Synergy Sports Wellness Institute**

Purchase of Mild Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy

**Request received:** 12/15/2014

**Contact Person:** Joan Hatrak, Business Coordinator 678-618-4020

**Determination:** Pending



**LNR-EQT2014027 OrthoAtlanta, LLC**

Purchase of Fixed MRI

**Request received:** 12/18/2014

**Contact Person:** Rod G. Meadows 770-957-1199

**Determination:** Pending

**LNR-EQT2014028 Central Georgia Cancer Care, P.C.**

Capital Lease of Fixed CT Scanner

**Request received:** 12/22/2014

**Contact Person:** Marty Avera, CFO 478-314-1669

**Determination:** Pending

**LNR-EQT2014029 Radiology Associates of Macon, P.C.**

Capital Lease of Fixed CT Scanner

**Request received:** 12/22/2014

**Contact Person:** Greg Cassimus, Administrator 478-751-5869

**Determination:** Pending

## **Requests for LNR for Establishment of Physician-Owned Ambulatory Surgery Facilities**

**LNR-ASC2014023 Southeastern Pain Ambulatory Surgery Center, LLC**

Relocation of Physician-Owned Single Specialty ASC

**Site:** 1150 Hammond Drive, Building E, Suite 50, Atlanta, GA 30328

**Number of OR's:** 2 **Specialty:** Pain Management

**Project costs as submitted:** \$884,830.20

**Request received:** 10/21/2014

**Contact Person:** Daniel J. Mohan, Partner 404-504-7616

**Determination:** Approved

**Determination Date:** 12/23/2014

## **Requests for Miscellaneous Letters of Determination**

**DET2014102 Open MRI & Imaging of Conyers, LLC**

Relocation of Under the Threshold Diagnostic Equipment

**Request received:** 6/3/2014

**Contact Person:** Per B. Normark, Secretary 678-992-7311

**Determination:** Pending

**Opposition:** Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital- 7/2/2014; Northside Hospital - Forsyth- 7/2/2014; Northside Hospital - Cherokee- 7/2/2014

**DET2014147 Tattnall Hospital Company, LLC d/b/a Optim Surgery Center**

Expansion of Post Surgical Space in CON Approved Orthopedic ASC

**Request received:** 9/22/2014

**Contact Person:** Michael Kleinpeter, Chief Executive Officer 912-644-5370

**Determination:** Pending

**Opposition:** The Georgia Alliance of Community Hospitals, Inc.- 10/20/2014

**DET2014161 Kennestone Hospital, Inc. d/b/a WellStar Kennestone Hospital**

Enhancement of Existing Inpatient Surgery Service

**Request received:** 10/15/2014

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

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 1/5/2015

**DET2014162 Gainesville Endoscopy Center, LLC**

Use and Ownership

**Request received:** 10/17/2014

**Contact Person:** Dennis Williams, Administrator 678-997-2105

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 12/17/2014

**DET2014163 Braselton Endoscopy Center, LLC**

Use and Ownership

**Request received:** 10/17/2014

**Contact Person:** Dennis Williams, Administrator 678-997-2105  
**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 12/17/2014

**DET2014165 Covenant Dove Healthcare of Macon, LLC**

New Emergency Generator

**Request received:** 10/20/2014

**Contact Person:** Andy Garrett Shafer, Director of Construction 903-875-

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 1/6/2015

**DET2014166 Houston Hospitals, Inc.**

Relocation of Four Bed Inpatient Dialysis Unit

**Request received:** 10/23/2014

**Contact Person:** Melinda Hartley, VP Patient Care Services/CNO 478-

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 12/23/2014

**DET2014167 Northside Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Northside Hospital - Forsyth**

Capital Expenditures to Develop Medical Office Building

**Request received:** 10/29/2014

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

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 12/23/2014

**DET2014168 Gwinnett Hospital System, Inc. d/b/a Gwinnett Medical Center - Lawrenceville**

Addition of Cardiac Imaging Service Location

**Request received:** 11/7/2014

**Contact Person:** Mark M. Mullin, Director, Planning and Development

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 1/5/2015

**DET2014169 Women's Center for Advanced Surgery, Inc.**

ASC LNR Transfer of Membership Interest to Medical Practice

**Request received:** 11/12/2014

**Contact Person:** Sherri Simmons, Practice Manager 229-402-0304

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 1/9/2015

**DET2014170 RiverWoods Behavioral Health, LLC d/b/a Lakeview Behavioral Health**

Construct and Equip Gymnasium

**Request received:** 11/14/2014

**Contact Person:** Vernelle Nunn, CEO 770-692-3578

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 1/8/2015

**DET2014171 Houston Hospital, Inc.**

Relocate Histology Lab to Medical Office Building Near Hospital Campus

**Request received:** 11/18/2014

**Contact Person:** Stephen Machen, MBA, FACHE, Administrator 478-952-

**Determination:** Non-reviewable as proposed **Determination Date:** 1/13/2015

**DET2014172 Imperial Investment of Doraville, Inc.**

Convert Existing Hotel to Personal Care Home

**Request received:** 11/20/2014

**Contact Person:** Prasant Desai, Administrator 228-596-2449

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2014173 Cumming Retirement Investors, LLC**

Construction of Assisted Living Facility

**Request received:** 11/20/2014

**Contact Person:** Barry Ray, Managing Partner 423-478-8071

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2014174 Grady Memorial Hospital Corporation for Fulton-DeKalb Hospital Authority dba**

Burn Center Security Upgrades

**Request received:** 11/21/2014

**Contact Person:** Samuel L. Williams, VP / Non-Clinical Support Services

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2014175 Grady Memorial Hospital Corporation for Fulton-DeKalb Hospital Authority dba**  
ICU Door, Window, and Cubicle Curtain Upgrades  
**Request received:** 11/21/2014  
**Contact Person:** Samuel L. Williams, VP / Non-Clinical Support Services  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2014176 Dermatology Associates of Atlanta, P.C.**  
Confirmation of CON Status of Single Specialty ASC  
**Request received:** 11/25/2014  
**Contact Person:** Sharon Williams, Practice Administrator 404-256-4457  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2014177 ROSA of Georgia, LLC**  
Sale and Acquisition of Radiation Therapy Facility  
**Request received:** 12/2/2014  
**Contact Person:** Lawrence Myers, Attorney 404-962-1040  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2014178 MED CROSS IMAGING, LLC f/k/a MEDCROSS IMAGING, P.C.**  
Mobile MRI Services  
**Request received:** 12/9/2014  
**Contact Person:** Kuo L. Lee, M.D. 478-737-9292  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2014179 MED CROSS IMAGING, LLC f/k/a MEDCROSS IMAGING, P.C.**  
Mobile MRI Services  
**Request received:** 12/9/2014  
**Contact Person:** Kuo L. Lee, M.D. 478-737-9292  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2014180 MED CROSS IMAGING, LLC f/k/a MEDCROSS IMAGING, P.C.**  
Mobile MRI Services  
**Request received:** 12/9/2014  
**Contact Person:** Kuo L. Lee, M.D. 478-737-9292  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2014181 Emory Adventist, Inc.**  
Operation of CON Exempt Imaging Center & Urgent Care Center  
**Request received:** 12/11/2014  
**Contact Person:** Dennis Kiley, President 770-438-5241  
**Determination:** Pending  
**Opposition:** Wellstar Healthcare System, Inc.- 1/12/2014; Kennestone Hospital, Inc. d/b/a WellStar  
Windy Hill Hospital- 1/12/2014; Cobb Hospital, Inc. d/b/a WellStar Cobb Hospital-  
1/12/2014

**DET2014182 Grady Memorial Hospital Corporation (for Fulton-DeKalb Hospital Authority)**  
Air Handler 3 Replacement  
**Request received:** 12/12/2014  
**Contact Person:** Samuel L. Williams, VP/Non-Clinical Support Services  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2014183 Windward Memory Care, LLC**  
Establishment of New Personal Care Home / Assisted Living Facility  
**Request received:** 12/16/2014  
**Contact Person:** Stacie Herlihy, Associate Counsel 214-845-4500  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2014184 Floyd Healthcare Management, Inc. (d/b/a Floyd Medical Center)**  
Addition of One Hospital-Based Cardiac Catheterization Lab  
**Request received:** 12/18/2014  
**Contact Person:** Stephen Weed, Director of Planning 706-509-3257  
**Determination:** Pending

**DET2014185 Tift County Hospital Authority dba Tift Regional Medical Center**

Replace Existing Cardiac Catheterization Lab Equipment

**Request received:** 12/22/2014

**Contact Person:** James Nixon, VP Admin & Clinical Services 229-353-

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2014186 UHS of SummitRidge, LLC dba SummitRidge Hospital**

Addition of 10 Beds

**Request received:** 12/22/2014

**Contact Person:** Jeff Pritchard, Chief Executive Officer 678-442-5900

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2014187 Merrill Gardens, LLC**

Development of Private Pay PCH / Assisted Living Facility

**Request received:** 12/23/2014

**Contact Person:** Wendy Gardner, VP of Quality Services 206-676-5344

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2014188 UHS of Anchor, LP d/b/a Southern Crescent Behavioral Health System -**

Add 12 Beds Under High Occupancy Exemption

**Request received:** 12/23/2014

**Contact Person:** Margaret Collier, Chief Executive Officer 678-251-3266

**Determination:** Pending

**DET2015001 Buckhead Subtenant, LLC**

Capacity Increase for Residents at Assisted Living Community

**Request received:** 1/8/2015

**Contact Person:** J. Wickliffe Peterson, Authorized Representative 858-

**Determination:** Pending

## Requests for Extended Implementation/Effective Period

**2013055 Cobb Hospital, Inc dba WellStar Cobb Hospital**

Establish Diagnostic Center

Request to extend Implementation Date

**Site:** Winchester Parkway & S. Atlanta Road, Smyrna

**Project Approved:** 1/27/2014

**Request Received:** 12/16/2014

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

**Approved Cost:** \$8,930,573

**Determination:** Approved, 12/19/2014

**Extended Implementation Date:** 1/27/2016

**2013015 Open MRI & Imaging of NE Georgia, LLC dba MRI & Imaging of NE Georgia**

Replace One MRI Scanner

Request to extend Implementation Date

**Site:** 425 Broad Street, Gainesville

**Project Approved:** 8/16/2013

**Request Received:** 1/8/2015

**Contact:** Per Normark, General Counsel (678-992-7311)

**Approved Cost:** \$2,211,513

**Determination:** Approved, 1/13/2015

**Extended Implementation Date:** 5/11/2015

## Need Projection Analyses *Updated 12/23/2014*

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

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

2019 Non-Special MegaVoltage Radiation Therapy – 12/23/2014

2019 Positron Emission Tomography Services - 12/23/2014

2019 Ambulatory Surgery Center Services - 9/26/2014

2017 Home Health Agency Services - 9/26/2014

2019 Inpatient Physical Rehabilitation Services - 9/26/2014

2019 Neonatal Intensive Care Beds - 9/26/2014

2019 Neonatal Intermediate Care Beds - 9/26/2014

2019 Obstetric Services Beds - 9/26/2014

2017 Skilled Nursing Home Beds - 9/26/2014

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.

**Non-Filed or Incomplete Office of Health Planning  
Facility Surveys for Most Recent 3 Years (Survey Status as of 1/13/2015)**

*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.*

<b>Facility Name</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>Survey Year</b>	<b>Survey Due</b>
<b>Annual Hospital Questionnaire and Addenda (Survey Years 2011 thru 2013)</b>			
Appling Hospital	Appling	2013	3/14/2014
Bacon County Hospital	Bacon	2012	3/9/2013
Bacon County Hospital	Bacon	2013	3/14/2014
Berrien County Hospital	Berrien	2011	3/9/2012
Burke Medical Center	Burke	2011	3/9/2012
Burke Medical Center	Burke	2012	3/9/2013
Calhoun Memorial Hospital	Calhoun	2012	3/9/2013
Candler County Hospital	Candler	2012	3/9/2013
Candler County Hospital	Candler	2013	3/14/2014
Charlton Memorial Hospital	Charlton	2011	3/9/2012
Charlton Memorial Hospital	Charlton	2012	3/9/2013
Coastal Behavioral Health	Chatham	2012	3/9/2013
Coastal Harbor Treatment Center	Chatham	2012	3/9/2013
Columbus Specialty Hospital	Muscogee	2013	3/14/2014
Georgia Regional Hospital at Savannah	Chatham	2011	3/9/2012
Georgia Regional Hospital at Savannah	Chatham	2012	3/9/2013
Georgia Regional Hospital at Savannah	Chatham	2013	3/14/2014
Georgia Regional Hospital-Atlanta	DeKalb	2011	3/9/2012
Georgia Regional Hospital-Atlanta	DeKalb	2012	3/9/2013
Greenleaf Center	Lowndes	2013	3/14/2014
Irwin County Hospital	Irwin	2012	3/9/2013
Irwin County Hospital	Irwin	2013	3/14/2014
Kindred Hospital-Atlanta	Fulton	2013	3/14/2014
Mountain Lakes Medical Center	Rabun	2012	3/9/2013

North Georgia Medical Center	Gilmer	2013	3/14/2014
Northwest Georgia Regional Hospital	Floyd	2011	3/9/2012
Northwest Georgia Regional Hospital	Floyd	2012	3/9/2013
Northwest Georgia Regional Hospital	Floyd	2013	3/14/2014
Pioneer Community Hospital of Early	Early	2013	3/14/2014
Southeast Georgia Health System-Camden Campus	Camden	2013	3/14/2014
Southern Crescent Hospital for Specialty Care	Clayton	2011	3/9/2012
Southern Crescent Hospital for Specialty Care	Clayton	2012	3/9/2013
Southern Regional Medical Center	Clayton	2013	3/14/2014
Southwest Georgia Regional Medical Center	Randolph	2011	3/9/2012
Southwestern State Hospital	Thomas	2012	3/9/2013
Warm Springs Medical Center	Meriwether	2012	3/9/2013
Youth Villages - Inner Harbour Campus	Douglas	2013	3/14/2014

### **Annual Nursing Home Questionnaire (Survey Years 2011 thru 2013)**

Agape Health & Rehab of Moultrie, LLC	Colquitt	2011	9/16/2011
Anderson Mill Health and Rehabilitation Center	Cobb	2012	9/20/2012
Anderson Mill Health and Rehabilitation Center	Cobb	2013	9/20/2013
Bell Minor Home, The	Hall	2012	9/20/2012
Bell Minor Home, The	Hall	2013	9/20/2013
Briarcliff Haven Healthcare And Rehabilitation Center	DeKalb	2013	9/20/2013
Brown's Health & Rehabilitation Center	Bulloch	2011	9/16/2011
Brown's Health & Rehabilitation Center	Bulloch	2012	9/20/2012
Brown's Health & Rehabilitation Center	Bulloch	2013	9/20/2013
Bryant Health And Rehabilitation Center Inc	Bleckley	2013	9/20/2013
Carl Vinson Skilled Nursing Home	Laurens	2012	9/20/2012
Carl Vinson Skilled Nursing Home	Laurens	2013	9/20/2013
Chatsworth Health Care Center	Murray	2012	9/20/2012
Chatsworth Health Care Center	Murray	2013	9/20/2013
College Park Health Care Center	Fulton	2012	9/20/2012
Cook Senior Living Center	Cook	2012	9/20/2012
Eastview Nursing Center	Bibb	2012	9/20/2012
Eastview Nursing Center	Bibb	2013	9/20/2013
Etowah Landing	Floyd	2013	9/20/2013
Etowah Landing Care And Rehabilitation Center	Floyd	2012	9/20/2012
Evergreen Health and Rehabilitation Center	Floyd	2013	9/20/2013
Folkston Park Care And Rehabilitation Center	Charlton	2011	9/16/2011
Georgia Regional Atlanta ICF/MR	DeKalb	2012	9/20/2012
Georgia Regional Atlanta ICF/MR	DeKalb	2013	9/20/2013
Gilmer Nursing Home	Gilmer	2013	9/20/2013
Glenn-Mor Nursing Home	Thomas	2012	9/20/2012
Golden Living Center - Dunwoody	Fulton	2012	9/20/2012
Golden Living Center - Dunwoody	Fulton	2013	9/20/2013
Golden LivingCenter - Augusta	Richmond	2011	9/16/2011
Golden LivingCenter - Decatur	DeKalb	2011	9/16/2011
Golden LivingCenter - Glenwood	DeKalb	2013	9/20/2013
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
Goodwill Nursing Home Inc	Bibb	2012	9/20/2012
Goodwill Nursing Home Inc	Bibb	2013	9/20/2013
Grace Healthcare Of Tucker	DeKalb	2012	9/20/2012
Grace Healthcare Of Tucker	DeKalb	2013	9/20/2013
Gracemore Nursing And Rehab	Glynn	2013	9/20/2013
Hart Care Center	Hart	2013	9/20/2013

Heardmont Nursing Home	Elbert	2013	9/20/2013
Hill Haven Nursing Home	Jackson	2013	9/20/2013
Hutcheson Medical Center	Catoosa	2012	9/20/2012
Hutcheson Medical Center	Catoosa	2013	9/20/2013
Joe-Anne Burgin Nursing Home	Randolph	2011	9/16/2011
Kindred Transitional Care and Rehabilitation - Lafayette	Fayette	2012	9/20/2012
Kindred Transitional Care and Rehabilitation - Lafayette	Fayette	2013	9/20/2013
LaGrange Nursing & Rehabilitation Center	Troup	2013	9/20/2013
Legacy Nursing & Rehabilitation Center	Fulton	2013	9/20/2013
Lumber City Nursing & Rehabilitation Center	Telfair	2011	9/16/2011
Magnolia Manor Of Columbus Nursing Center - West	Muscogee	2013	9/20/2013
Manor Care Rehabilitation Center - Decatur	DeKalb	2011	9/16/2011
Manor Care Rehabilitation Center - Decatur	DeKalb	2012	9/20/2012
Manor Care Rehabilitation Center - Decatur	DeKalb	2013	9/20/2013
Manor Care Rehabilitation Center - Marietta	Cobb	2011	9/16/2011
Manor Care Rehabilitation Center - Marietta	Cobb	2012	9/20/2012
Manor Care Rehabilitation Center - Marietta	Cobb	2013	9/20/2013
Nancy Hart Nursing Center	Elbert	2013	9/20/2013
New London Health Center	Gwinnett	2011	9/16/2011
New London Health Center	Gwinnett	2012	9/20/2012
New London Health Center	Gwinnett	2013	9/20/2013
Northwest Georgia Regional Hospital ICF/MR	Floyd	2011	9/16/2011
Northwest Georgia Regional Hospital ICF/MR	Floyd	2012	9/20/2012
Northwest Georgia Regional Hospital ICF/MR	Floyd	2013	9/20/2013
Oceanside Nursing & Rehab Center	Chatham	2011	9/16/2011
Palemon Gaskins Memorial Nursing Home	Irwin	2012	9/20/2012
Palemon Gaskins Memorial Nursing Home	Irwin	2013	9/20/2013
Parkside At Hutcheson Medical Center	Walker	2011	9/16/2011
Parkview Manor Nursing & Rehabilitation Center	Fulton	2012	9/20/2012
Pecan Manor-Central State	Baldwin	2012	9/20/2012
Pecan Manor-Central State	Baldwin	2013	9/20/2013
Phoenix Center - Central State	Baldwin	2013	9/20/2013
Piedmont Hall ICF/MR - Central State	Baldwin	2012	9/20/2012
Piedmont Hall ICF/MR - Central State	Baldwin	2013	9/20/2013
Place At Martinez, The	Richmond	2012	9/20/2012
River Towne Center	Muscogee	2013	9/20/2013
Rose Haven Nursing Facility	Thomas	2012	9/20/2012
Rose Haven Nursing Facility	Thomas	2013	9/20/2013
Savannah Beach Nursing & Rehab Center	Chatham	2011	9/16/2011
Savannah Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center	Chatham	2013	9/20/2013
Savannah Rehab & NursingCenter	Chatham	2012	9/20/2012
Savannah Square Health Center	Chatham	2011	9/16/2011
Savannah Square Health Center	Chatham	2012	9/20/2012
Savannah Square Health Center	Chatham	2013	9/20/2013
Scepter Health & Rehab of Snellville, LLC	Gwinnett	2011	9/16/2011
Scepter Health & Rehab of Snellville, LLC	Gwinnett	2012	9/20/2012
Scepter Health & Rehab of Snellville, LLC	Gwinnett	2013	9/20/2013
Shamrock Nursing & Rehabilitation Center	Laurens	2013	9/20/2013
Signature Healthcare of Buckhead	Fulton	2012	9/20/2012
Signature Healthcare of Buckhead	Fulton	2013	9/20/2013
Southland Healthcare And Rehabilitation Center	Laurens	2011	9/16/2011
Southland Healthcare And Rehabilitation Center	Laurens	2013	9/20/2013
Tower Road Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center	Cobb	2013	9/20/2013
Westminster Commons	Fulton	2011	9/16/2011
Westminster Commons	Fulton	2012	9/20/2012

Westview Nursing & Rehabilitation Center	Chatham	2013	9/20/2013
Willowwood Nursing Center	Hall	2013	9/20/2013

### **Cardiac Catheterization Services Survey (Survey Years 2010 thru 2012)**

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
Newton Medical Center	Newton	2012	7/19/2013
Piedmont Henry Hospital	Henry	2012	7/19/2013

### **Freestanding Ambulatory Surgery Services Survey (Survey Years 2011 thru 2013)**

Advanced Aesthetics Surgicenter	FAYETTE	2012	3/25/2013
Afa Ambulatory Surgery Center	BIBB	2013	3/14/2014
Akstein Eye Center, P.c.	CLAYTON	2013	3/14/2014
ALPHARETTA HEAD AND NECK SURGERY CENTER	FULTON	2013	3/14/2014
Ambulatory Laser & Surgery Ctr	CLAYTON	2011	3/9/2012
Ambulatory Laser & Surgery Ctr	CLAYTON	2012	3/25/2013
Ambulatory Laser & Surgery Ctr	CLAYTON	2013	3/14/2014
Associates Physicians Asc	BIBB	2011	3/9/2012
Associates Physicians Asc	BIBB	2012	3/25/2013
Associates Physicians Asc	BIBB	2013	3/14/2014
Associates Surgery Center, Inc	Bibb	2013	3/14/2014
Athens Plastic Surgery Center	CLARKE	2011	3/9/2012
Athens Plastic Surgery Center	CLARKE	2012	3/25/2013
Athens Plastic Surgery Center	CLARKE	2013	3/14/2014
Atlanta Endoscopy Center, Ltd.	DEKALB	2013	3/14/2014
Atlanta Orthopaedic Surgery Center	Fulton	2013	3/14/2014
Atlanta Orthopaedic Surgery Center	Fulton	2013	3/14/2014
Atlanta South Endoscopy Center, Llc	CLAYTON	2013	3/14/2014
Atlanta Surgical Center	FULTON	2013	3/14/2014
Atlanta West Endoscopy Center, Llc	DOUGLAS	2012	3/25/2013
Augusta Ctr For Foot & Ankle	RICHMOND	2012	3/25/2013
Augusta Urology Surgicenter, Llc	RICHMOND	2013	3/14/2014
Azalea Surgery Center	BROOKS	2013	3/14/2014
Bowman Pain Management, Pc	BIBB	2012	3/25/2013
Brookstone Ambulatory Surgery Center	Muscogee	2012	3/25/2013
Brunswick Pain Treatment Center, Llc	GLYNN	2013	3/14/2014
Children's Healthcare of Atlanta Surgery, Meridian Mark	Fulton	2012	3/25/2013
Clayton Cataract and Laser Surgery Center	Clayton	2013	3/14/2014
Dennis Surgery Center, INC	Fulton	2013	3/14/2014
Dublin Orthopaedics Asc, Inc	LAURENS	2013	3/14/2014
E.n.t. Surg Ctr Of Central Ga	HOUSTON	2013	3/14/2014
ELO Outpatient Surgery Center	Bibb	2013	3/14/2014
Eye Surgery Center Of Albany, Llc	DOUGHERTY	2012	3/25/2013
Gainesville Foot And Ankle Surgery Center, Pc	HALL	2013	3/14/2014
Gastroenterology Endoscopy Ctr, Inc	FULTON	2013	3/14/2014
Georgia Ophthalmologists, LLC	NEWTON	2013	3/14/2014
Georgia Pain Surg Ctr, Inc	COBB	2012	3/25/2013
Georgia Pain Surg Ctr, Inc	COBB	2013	3/14/2014
Georgia Surgical Centers- South	CLAYTON	2012	3/25/2013
Georgia Surgical Centers- South	CLAYTON	2013	3/14/2014
Gwinnett Center for Outpatient Surgery	Gwinnett	2011	3/9/2012
Houston Lake Surgery Center	HOUSTON	2012	3/25/2013
Institute For Corrective Surgery of Foot & Ankle, Inc	WARE	2013	3/14/2014
ISPM ASC AT COVINGTON, LLC	NEWTON	2012	3/25/2013
Marietta Eye Surgery	COBB	2013	3/14/2014



Midtown Urology Surgical Center	FULTON	2011	3/9/2012
Newton Ambulatory Surgical Center	NEWTON	2012	3/25/2013
Newton Ambulatory Surgical Center	NEWTON	2013	3/14/2014
North Columbus Surgery Center, LLC	MUSCOGEE	2012	3/25/2013
North Georgia Endoscopy Center, Inc	CHEROKEE	2013	3/14/2014
North Georgia Institute For Wound Care, Llc	FORSYTH	2011	3/9/2012
North Georgia Institute For Wound Care, Llc	FORSYTH	2012	3/25/2013
North Georgia Institute For Wound Care, Llc	FORSYTH	2013	3/14/2014
Northeast Georgia Urological Surgery Center, Llc	HALL	2011	3/9/2012
Northeast Georgia Urological Surgery Center, Llc	HALL	2012	3/25/2013
Northeast Georgia Urological Surgery Center, Llc	HALL	2013	3/14/2014
Northside Foot & Ankle O P Sc	HALL	2013	3/14/2014
Northside Foot & Ankle Output	GWINNETT	2012	3/25/2013
Northside Foot & Ankle Output	GWINNETT	2013	3/14/2014
Northwest ENT Surgery Center	Cherokee	2012	3/25/2013
Outpatient Ctr For Foot Surg	SPALDING	2013	3/14/2014
Outpatient Orthopedic Surgery Center, Llc	BULLOCH	2013	3/14/2014
Pain Care Center of Georgia	Henry	2012	3/25/2013
Pain Clinic Of Aimr, P.c.	FULTON	2011	3/9/2012
Pain Clinic Of AIMR, P.C.	FULTON	2013	3/14/2014
Pain Specialty Center Of Atl	FULTON	2012	3/25/2013
Pain Specialty Center Of Atl	FULTON	2013	3/14/2014
Peach State Surgical Centers, Inc	HOUSTON	2012	3/25/2013
Peach State Surgical Centers, Inc	HOUSTON	2013	3/14/2014
Peachtree Orthopaedic Surgery Center at Perimeter, LLC	Fulton	2013	3/14/2014
Perimeter Surgery Center of Atlanta	Fulton	2013	3/14/2014
Planned Parenthood Reproductive Health Services, Inc.	Richmond	2012	3/25/2013
Planned Parenthood Reproductive Health Services, Inc.	Richmond	2013	3/14/2014
Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery Center, Pc	RICHMOND	2013	3/14/2014
Plastic Surgery Ctr Land, The	CHATHAM	2013	3/14/2014
Renue Surgery Center of Waycross, LLC	Ware	2013	3/14/2014
Rome Endoscopy Ctr Inc, The	FLOYD	2011	3/9/2012
Rome Endoscopy Ctr Inc, The	FLOYD	2012	3/25/2013
Rome Endoscopy Ctr Inc, The	FLOYD	2013	3/14/2014
Rome Foot And Ankle Surgery Center	FLOYD	2012	3/25/2013
Rome Foot And Ankle Surgery Center	FLOYD	2013	3/14/2014
Rome Surgical Center, P C	FLOYD	2013	3/14/2014
Savannah Outpatient Foot and Ankle Surgery Center, LLC	Chatham	2011	3/9/2012
South Georgia Endoscopy Center	WARE	2013	3/14/2014
South Georgia Surgery Center (Brunswick)	GLYNN	2013	3/14/2014
Southeast Treatment Center, Llc	CAMDEN	2011	3/9/2012
Southeast Treatment Center, Llc	CAMDEN	2012	3/25/2013
Southeast Treatment Center, Llc	CAMDEN	2013	3/14/2014
Surgery Center of Athens	Clarke	2011	3/9/2012
Surgery Center of Athens	Clarke	2012	3/25/2013
The Graivier Center	FULTON	2013	3/14/2014
Thomasville Surgery Center	Thomas	2013	3/14/2014
Tiftarea Endoscopy Center, Inc	TIFT	2013	3/14/2014
Universal Ambulatory Surgery Center, P C	MUSCOGEE	2011	3/9/2012
Universal Ambulatory Surgery Center, P C	MUSCOGEE	2013	3/14/2014
Urology Associates Surgery Center, Llc	COBB	2013	3/14/2014
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
Urology Institute Asc, The	THOMAS	2013	3/14/2014

Urology Specialists Surgery Center	Bibb	2013	3/14/2014
Urology Surgery Center of Albany	Dougherty	2013	3/14/2014
Urology Surgery Center Of Savannah, Lp	CHATHAM	2013	3/14/2014
Valdosta Foot & Ankle Surgery	LOWNDES	2011	3/9/2012
Valdosta Foot & Ankle Surgery	LOWNDES	2012	3/25/2013
Valdosta Foot & Ankle Surgery	LOWNDES	2013	3/14/2014
West Georgia Endoscopy Center, Llc	CARROLL	2013	3/14/2014
West Paces Ambulatory Surgical Center, LLC	FULTON	2012	3/25/2013
West Paces Ambulatory Surgical Center, LLC	FULTON	2013	3/14/2014
Woodhams Laser & Lens Implant	FULTON	2013	3/14/2014

### Home Health Agency Survey (Survey Years 2011 thru 2013)

Amedisys Home Health of Covington	Newton	2013	3/14/2014
Appalachian Home Health Care	Union	2011	3/9/2012
Appalachian Home Health Care	Union	2012	3/15/2013
Appalachian Home Health Care	Union	2013	3/14/2014
HCMC Home Care	Habersham	2012	3/15/2013
Interim Healthcare of Atlanta Inc.	Fulton	2013	3/14/2014
Medside Home Health Agency	Fulton	2011	3/9/2012
Medside Home Health Agency	Fulton	2012	3/15/2013
Medside Home Health Agency	Fulton	2013	3/14/2014
Trinity Home Health	Richmond	2011	3/9/2012
Trinity Home Health	Richmond	2012	3/15/2013
Trinity Home Health	Richmond	2013	3/14/2014
Visiting Nurses Association of Greater Tift Co	Tift	2011	3/9/2012

### Hospital Financial Survey (Survey Years 2010 thru 2012)

Charlton Memorial Hospital	Charlton	2011	7/13/2012
Charlton Memorial Hospital	Charlton	2012	7/26/2013
Lighthouse Care Center of Augusta	Richmond	2012	7/8/2011
Mountain Lakes Medical Center	Rabun	2010	7/8/2011
Mountain Lakes Medical Center	Rabun	2011	7/13/2012
Mountain Lakes Medical Center	Rabun	2012	7/26/2013
St. Simons-By-The-Sea	Glynn	2012	7/26/2013

### Open Heart Surgery Services Survey (Survey Years 2010 thru 2012)

Gwinnett Medical Center	Gwinnett	2010	7/1/2011
Gwinnett Medical Center	Gwinnett	2011	7/13/2011

### Positron Emission Tomography Services Survey (Survey Years 2011 thru 2013)

Appling Hospital	Appling	2013	5/16/2014
Athens Regional Medical Center	Clarke	2013	5/16/2014
Emory-Adventist Hospital	Cobb	2012	5/17/2013
Piedmont Mountainside Medical Center	Pickens	2012	
Piedmont Newnan Hospital	Coweta	2012	
Southeast Georgia Health System-Camden Campus	Camden	2013	5/16/2014
Southeastern Regional Medical Center, Inc	Coweta	2012	

### Radiation Therapy Services Survey (Survey Years 2011 thru 2013)

Hutcheson Medical Center	Catoosa	2011	5/11/2012
Hutcheson Medical Center	Catoosa	2012	5/17/2013
Hutcheson Medical Center	Catoosa	2013	5/16/2014
Meadows Regional Cancer Center	Toombs	2013	5/16/2014
South Georgia Center for Cancer Care	Bulloch	2013	5/16/2014
Southeast Georgia Health System-Camden Campus	Camden	2011	
Southeastern Regional Medical Center, Inc	Coweta	2012	

# Indigent and Charity Care Shortfalls

## Facilities with Indigent and Charity Care Commitment Shortfalls for Most Recent 3 Years (Commitment status as of 1/13/2015)

Facility Name	County	Year	Shortfall Due	Service
Atlanta Aesthetic and Reconstructive Surgery Center, LLC	FULTON	2011	17,310.40	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Brookstone Surgical Center, LLC	MUSCOGEE	2013	44,631.52	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Clayton Cataract and Laser Surgery Center	Clayton	2011	66,531.12	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Foot Surgery Center, The	COBB	2012	9,241.11	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Georgia Spine Surgery Center, LLC	CLARKE	2013	54,819.40	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Interventional Spine and Pain Management Ambulatory Surgical Center	Rockdale	2013	70,825.83	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Northwoods Surgery Center, LLC	Forsyth	2012	73,629.63	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Premier Ambulatory Surgical Center, LLC	Cobb	2013	215,151.02	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
Schulze Surgery Center, Inc.	Chatham	2013	4,838.07	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
Spivey Station Surgery Center	Clayton	2013	152,518.08	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Summerville Surgical Center	Richmond	2013	4,045.83	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Surgery Center, LLC, The	Muscogee	2013	133,920.76	Ambulatory Surgery Center
Amedisys Home Health of Macon	Bibb	2013	151,153.09	Home Health Agency
Amedisys Home Health of Valdosta	Lowndes	2013	17,463.47	Home Health Agency
Amicita Home Health	Early	2013	4,025.01	Home Health Agency
Amicita Home Health, LLC	Oconee	2013	14,444.12	Home Health Agency
AseraCare Home Health	Fulton	2013	14,681.28	Home Health Agency
Camellia Home Health	Cobb	2013	25,442.30	Home Health Agency
Careone Home Health Services, Inc. (Toombs)	Toombs	2013	32,275.93	Home Health Agency
Caresouth Homecare Professionals	Hall	2012	49,006.35	Home Health Agency
Caresouth Homecare Professionals	Hall	2013	44,575.36	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
Caresouth Homecare Professionals - Washington	Elbert	2013	64,908.83	Home Health Agency
Central Home Health Health, Douglasville, an Amedisys Company	Douglas	2013	216,570.75	Home Health Agency
Charlton Visiting Nurses Services	Brantley	2013	9,333.37	Home Health Agency
Community Home Health, an Amedisys Company	Cherokee	2013	21,649.12	Home Health Agency
CSRA Home Health- Columbia, Inc.	McDuffie	2013	9,685.29	Home Health Agency
Guardian Home Care of Central Georgia	Oconee	2013	29,821.19	Home Health Agency
Guardian Home Care of Northeast Georgia	Hall	2013	48,026.47	Home Health Agency
Guardian Home Care, LLC	Fulton	2013	116,510.21	Home Health Agency
Suncrest Home Health	Cobb	2013	1,742.04	Home Health Agency
SunCrest Home Health of Georgia	Clayton	2013	181,929.09	Home Health Agency
SunCrest Home Health of Georgia	Hall	2013	74,146.35	Home Health Agency
Tugaloo Home Health Agency - Gainesville	Hall	2013	138,781.42	Home Health Agency
Tugaloo Home Health Agency - Lavonia	Franklin	2013	86,733.42	Home Health Agency
United Home Care of North Georgia	Hall	2013	8,993.64	Home Health Agency
Battlefield Imaging Center	Catoosa	2011	27,308.00	PET Services
Battlefield Imaging Center	Catoosa	2013	3,290.40	PET Services
PET Imaging Center of Savannah	Chatham	2013	17,633.10	PET Services

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.

## **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.

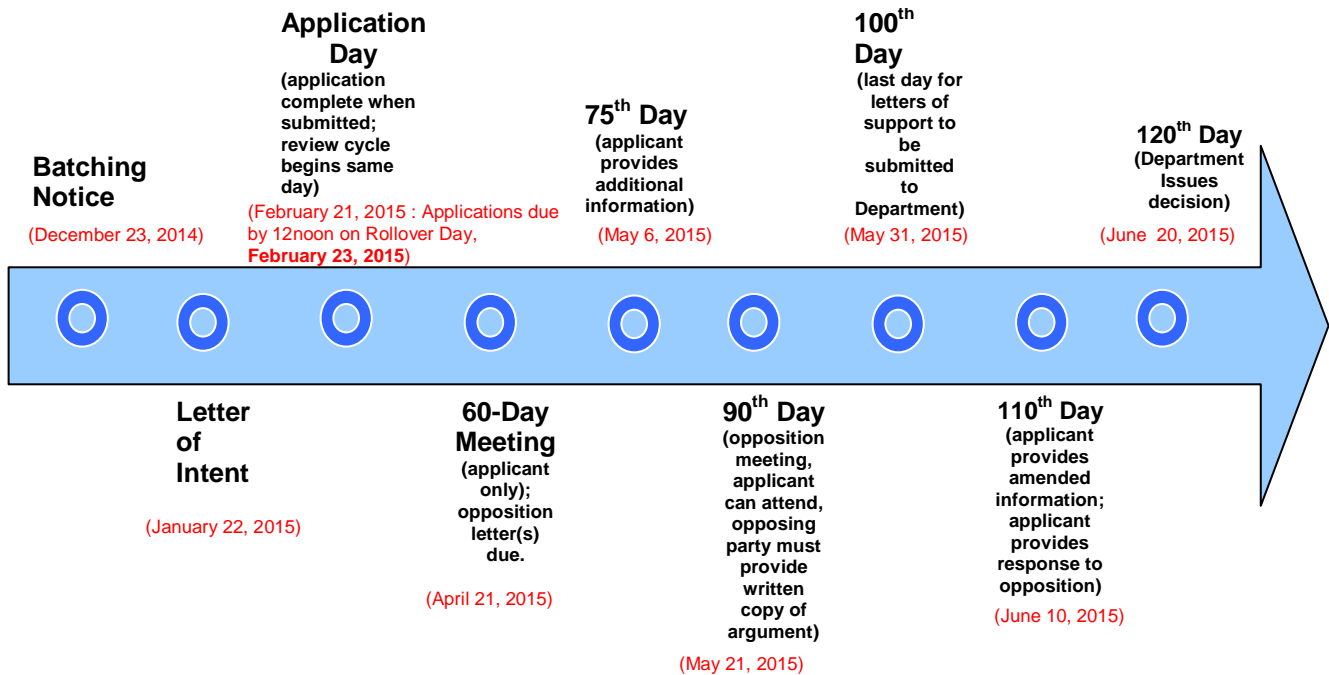
## **Batching Notifications—** *Posted 12/23/2014 on DCH Website* Winter Batching Review Cycle Notifications

<a href="#"><u>PET</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Adult Open Heart</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Mega Voltage Radiation Therapy</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Psych/Substance Abuse</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Pediatric Cath/Open Heart</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Birthing Centers</u></a>

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

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

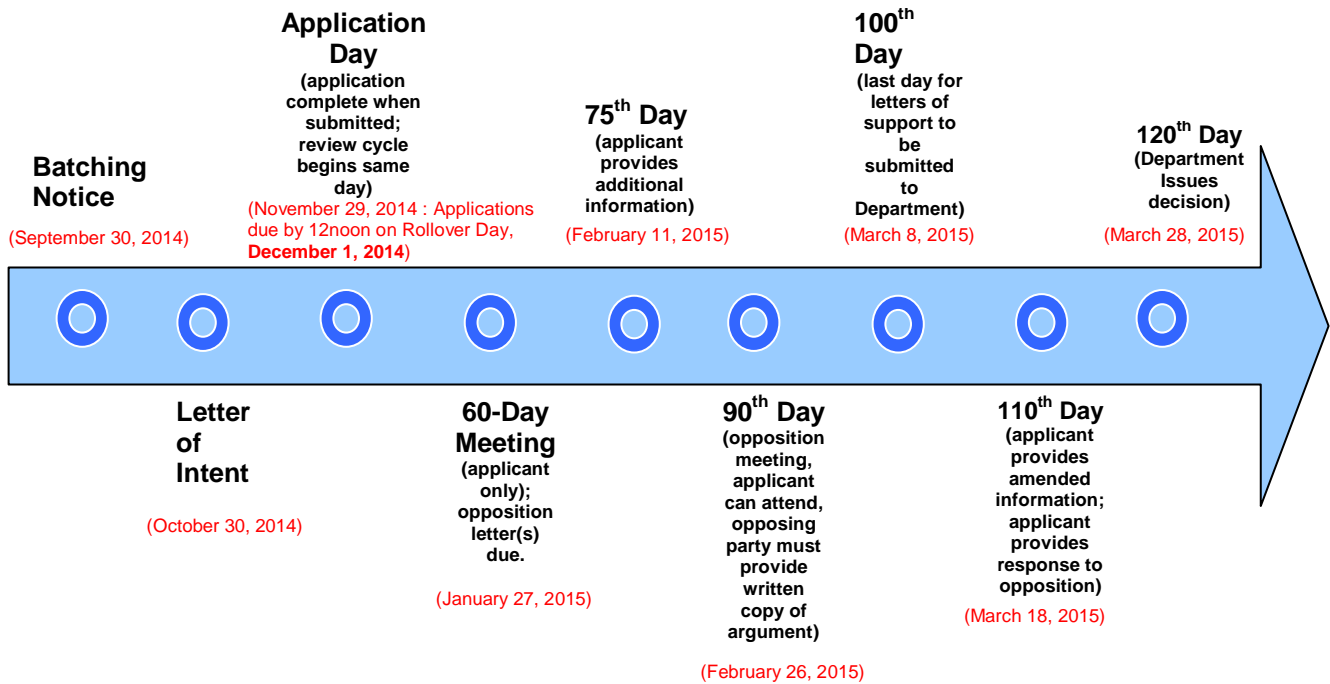
## WINTER CYCLE



- ▶ 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)

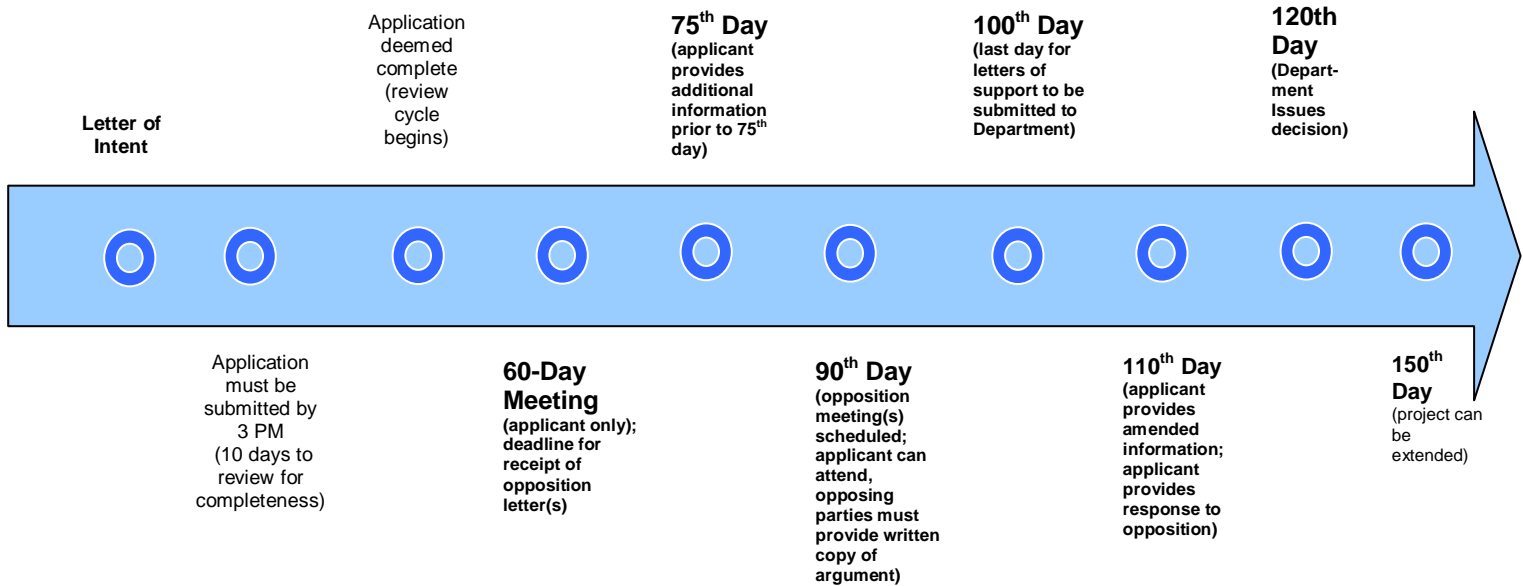
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**FALL CYCLE**



- ▶ 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)
- ▶ 75th 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](mailto: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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[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.

**New CON Thresholds** become effective 7/1/2014. The new thresholds can be found on the CON Thresholds page.

<http://dch.georgia.gov/con-thresholds>