

I. Certificate of Need Program

A. Contested Case:

AL2024-008, Southern Orthopaedic Surgery Center, LLC, Montgomery County, AL: Proposes to develop a freestanding, non-hospital-based, limited multi-specialty ambulatory surgery center (ASC) specializing in orthopedics and neurosurgery in the city of Montgomery, Montgomery County, Alabama. Upon completion, the proposed ASC will have six (6) operating rooms (two of which will be shelled out space only), two (2) procedure rooms, nine (9) pre-operative rooms, and fourteen (14) Phase I recovery stations. The applicant will invest in a robotic arm to assist with minimally invasive joint replacement surgery. **Opposition: Jackson Hospital & Clinic, Inc. and Jackson Surgery Center, LLC; Baptist Medical Center South, and Montgomery Surgical Center, LLC. Opposition filed by parties listed 4/5/2024. Request for contested case filed 4/12/2024 and 4/15/2024. ALJ assigned 4/24/2024. ALJ's order received 10/31/2024. Exceptions filed 11/7/2024. Carried over from the 11/20/2024 CONRB meeting.**

Approved. However, the Certificate of Need Review Board stipulated that the services provided at the facility must be limited to orthopedic procedures only and that the facility must be 100% owned by Southern Orthopaedic Surgeons.

- B. AL2024-024, Magnolia Neuro Rehab, LLC, Madison County, AL:** Proposes to add physical therapy and speech language pathology to its existing facility, which currently provides occupational therapy services. **Opposition: None.**

Approved.

- C. AL2024-027, Ophthalmic Surgical Partners, LLC d/b/a Center for Eye Surgery, Madison County, AL:** Proposes to develop, own, and operate a new single-specialty ophthalmic ambulatory surgery center (ASC) with two (2) operating rooms and one (1) procedure room in the city of Madison, Madison County, Alabama. **Opposition: Huntsville Surgery Center, LLC d/b/a Laser Eye Surgery Center.**

Approved.

- D. AL2024-033, The East Alabama Health Care Authority d/b/a East Alabama Medical Center, Lee County, AL:** Proposes to transfer seventeen (17) inpatient physical rehabilitation beds from EAMC-Lanier, located in Chambers County, to East Alabama Medical Center, located in Lee County; both counties are included in the *2024-2027 Alabama State Health Plan's* Inpatient Rehabilitation Bed Region V. **Opposition: None.**

Approved.

- E. AL2024-034, The East Alabama Health Care Authority d/b/a East Alabama Medical Center, Lee County, AL:** Proposes to transfer twenty (20) geriatric inpatient psychiatric beds from EAMC-Lanier, located in Chambers County, to East Alabama Medical Center, located in Lee County; both counties are included in the *2024-2027 Alabama State Health Plan's* Southeast Psychiatric Care Region. **Opposition: None.**

Approved.

- F. AL2025-002, Bio-Medical Applications of Alabama, Inc. d/b/a Fresenius Medical Care Tallassee, Elmore County, AL:** Proposes to expand the existing end-stage renal disease (ESRD) treatment center comprised of ten (10) in-center hemodialysis stations, through the addition of two (2) home training stations, in the city of Tallassee, Elmore County, Alabama. **Opposition: None.**

Approved.

For Informational Purposes Only:

The next two projects were placed on the CONRB agenda for informational purposes only. No vote was required as “the recommended order of the Administrative Law Judge becomes the final order of the Agency when no exceptions have been filed.” The projects were approved, and no exceptions were filed.

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AL2024-015, MBDD, LLC, Madison County, AL: Proposes to establish and operate a multi-specialty ambulatory surgery center (ASC) on the campus of Crestwood Medical Center in Huntsville, Alabama. **Opposition: South Huntsville ASC Holdings, LLC d/b/a Sportsmed ASC. Request for contested case filed by Sportsmed ASC and the applicant on 7/30/2024. ALJ was assigned 8/8/2024. ALJ's recommended order was filed 11/22/2024 approving the project. No exceptions were filed.**

AL2024-018, South Huntsville ASC Holdings, LLC d/b/a Sportsmed Ambulatory Surgery Center, Madison County, AL: Proposes to establish and operate a limited multi-specialty ambulatory surgery center (ASC) that will provide outpatient surgery for orthopedics, neurosurgery, and pain management in Huntsville, Alabama. **Opposition: Crestwood Medical Center. Request for contested case filed by Madison Surgery Center on 8/9/2024 and by MBDD, LLC and Crestwood**

Medical Center on 8/12/2024. ALJ was assigned 8/29/2024. ALJ's recommended order was filed 11/22/2024 approving the project. No exceptions were filed.

II. Reviewability Determinations and Pending Reviewability Determinations

A. Reviewability Determinations:

RV2024-034, Crestwood Healthcare, LP d/b/a Crestwood Medical Center, proposes to renovate the north lobby entrance of its existing hospital. **Status: Non-Reviewable.**

RV2024-035R, Crenshaw Community Hospital, proposes to convert its existing facility to a status of critical access hospital (CAH). **Status: Non-Reviewable.**

RV2024-036, IOP Behavioral Health Services, LLC, proposes to implement intensive outpatient services at its physician's office in Madison, Alabama. **Status: Non-Reviewable.**

RV2024-037, Affinity Acquisitions, LLC d/b/a Affinity Hospice, proposes to relocate its administrative office to another site within Shelby County, Alabama. **Status: Non-Reviewable.**

RV2024-038, Gulf Health Hospitals, Inc. d/b/a North Baldwin Infirmary, proposes to add an operating room on the hospital campus in the city of Bay Minette, Baldwin County, Alabama. **Status: Non-Reviewable.**

RV2024-039R, Attentus Moulton, LLC d/b/a Lawrence Medical Center, proposes to convert existing hospital to a rural emergency hospital (REH). **Status: Non-Reviewable.**

RV2024-040, The Board of Trustees of the University of Alabama for the University of Alabama Hospital, proposes to replace the existing PET/CT imaging system with a new 32cm PET/CT imaging system (Wallace Tumor PET CT Renovation). **Status: Non-Reviewable.**

RV2024-041, The Board of Trustees of the University of Alabama for the University of Alabama Hospital, proposes to initiate and complete the renovation of the first floor of UAB Hospital - Highlands to accommodate a provider-based rehabilitation gym. **Status: Non-Reviewable.**

RV2024-042, The Board of Trustees of the University of Alabama for the University of Alabama Hospital, proposes to complete an expansion of the triage area located on the third floor of UAB Hospital - Highlands facility. **Status: Non-Reviewable.**

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RV2024-043, The Board of Trustees of the University of Alabama for the University of Alabama Hospital, proposes to initiate and complete its purchase and installation of equipment for brachytherapy at the Hazelrig-Salter Radiation Oncology Center at the University of Alabama Hospital. **Status: Non-Reviewable.**

RV2025-002, Southern Cancer Center, P.C., proposes to replace its existing computerized tomography (CT) scanner at its Daphne location with a CT scanner that also has positron emission tomography (PET) scanning capabilities. **Status: Non-Reviewable.**

RV2025-008, DVA Renal Healthcare, Inc. d/b/a Red Mountain Home Training Dialysis, proposes to provide home dialysis services on site in a dialysis den at St. Martins in the Pines in Irondale, Alabama. **Status: Non-Reviewable.**

B. Pending Reviewability Determinations:

RV2025-001, Vascular and Interventional Specialists of Alabama, PLLC, proposes to offer interventional radiology services at its existing office in Pelham, Alabama. **Status: Pending.**

RV2025-003, Southeast Health Medical Center, proposes to accomplish interior renovations and replace equipment for OR-28. **Status: Pending.**

RV2025-004, Southeast Health Medical Center, proposes to accomplish interior renovations to combine OR-25 and OR-26 into a hybrid vascular operating room. **Status: Pending.**

RV2025-005, Southeast Health Medical Center, proposes to accomplish interior renovations to diagnostic imaging (Phase II) at 102 Doctors Drive. **Status: Pending.**

RV2025-006, Southeast Health Medical Center, proposes to accomplish interior renovations to the Emergency Department/Behavioral Medicine. **Status: Pending.**

RV2025-007, Southeast Health Medical Center, proposes to accomplish interior renovations to the east wing of the fourth floor. **Status: Pending.**

RV2025-009, Proveer at Heritage Woods Specialty Care Assisted Living Facility, proposes to modify building to convert five (5) existing assisted living facility (ALF) beds into single occupancy specialty care assisted living facility (SCALF) beds. **Status: Pending.**

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RV2025-010, The Children’s Hospital of Alabama, proposes to relocate Children’s on 3rd Outpatient Rehabilitation Center to another building within Jefferson County, Alabama. **Status: Pending.**

RV2025-011, Southeast Health Medical Center, proposes to make interior renovations to the Non-Invasive Nuclear Cardiology Department at the main hospital to include equipment replacement. **Status: Pending.**

RV2025-012R, Atrium Health Floyd Cherokee Medical Center, proposes to renovate existing exercise room and director’s office to create an outpatient mammography room and bone density scan (DXA) room with additional space for a waiting area, staff workstations, and dressing rooms. **Status: Pending.**

RV2025-013, Southeast Health Medical Center, proposes to relocate its Medicine Shop to the first floor of the facility’s outpatient building. **Status: Pending.**

RV2025-014, Southeast Health Medical Center, proposes to replace the CT equipment at the Outpatient Imaging Center. **Status: Pending.**

RV2025-015, The Board of Trustees of the University of Alabama for the University of Alabama Hospital, proposes to install dedicated medical air pumps for the existing hyperbaric chambers in the clinic. **Status: Pending.**

RV2025-016, The Board of Trustees of the University of Alabama for the University of Alabama Hospital, proposes to replace the existing infant warmer and procedures lights in Women’s and Infant’s Center at the University of Alabama Hospital. **Status: Pending.**

RV2025-018, Good Samaritan Hospice of Madison, Inc., proposes to relocate its administrative office within Lauderdale County, Alabama. **Status: Pending.**

The next CON Review Board meeting will be held on February 19, 2025.