



CERTIFICATE OF NEED UPDATE

**South Carolina Department of Public Health
March 2026**

MATTER #	FACILITY	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	STATUS/CON #
3094	Careon Home Health Agency LLC 140 Wildewood Drive Park, Suite 106 Columbia, S.C. 29223 Contact: Sharon Cook-McEwen, RN, Executive Director (803) 667-9733 (Fairfield, Kershaw, Lexington, and Richland Counties) Reviewer: Ashley Grant	The establishment of a home health agency in Fairfield, Kershaw, Lexington, and Richland Counties at a total project cost of \$14,500.00.	Approved 3/23/2026 SC-26-05
3095	Embrace Home Health, LLC d/b/a Embrace Home Health – Horry County 101 West Renner Road, Suite 420 Richardson, TX 75082 Contact: Donnie Maberry, Manager (469) 895-9311 (Horry County) Reviewer: Dave Fiorini	The establishment of a Home Health Agency in Horry County at a total project cost of \$64,000.00.	Approved 3/12/2026 SC-26-04
3096	From the Heart Home Health Care, LLC d/b/a From the Heart Home Health Care	The establishment of a Home Health Agency in Greenville	Approved 2/27/2026 SC-26-03

	811 Pendleton Street Greenville, S.C. 29605 Contact: Rotunda Hughey, President (864) 616-9899 (Greenville County) Reviewer: Jane Thoennes	County at a total project cost of \$65,000.00.	
5325	Bon Secours St. Francis Xavier Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Bon Secours St. Francis Xavier Hospital 2095 Henry Tecklenburg Dr. Charleston, S.C. 29414 Contact: Tavia Buck, Chief Nursing Officer (843) 402-1399 (Charleston County) Reviewer: Jane Thoennes	The addition of nine (9) Level III neonatal care unit (NICU) bassinets and renovations at a total of \$8,057,378.00. (Web-Based Application)	Deemed Complete 3/27/2026
3098	TSI South, LLC d/b/a Vital Care of Charleston 570 Long Point Road Mt. Pleasant, S.C. 29464 Contact: Amberlee Calhoun, Regional Clinical Manager (843) 352-8102 (Abbeville, Aiken, Allendale, Anderson, Bamberg, Barnwell, Beaufort, Berkeley, Calhoun, Charleston, Cherokee, Chester, Chesterfield, Clarendon, Colleton, Darlington, Dillon, Dorchester, Edgefield, Fairfield, Florence, Georgetown, Greenville, Greenwood, Hampton, Horry, Jasper, Kershaw, Lancaster, Laurens, Lee, Lexington, Marion, Marlboro, McCormick, Newberry, Oconee, Orangeburg,	The establishment of a Specialty Home Health Agency limited to home infusion nursing services in Abbeville, Aiken, Allendale, Anderson, Bamberg, Barnwell, Beaufort, Berkeley, Calhoun, Charleston, Cherokee, Chester, Chesterfield, Clarendon, Colleton, Darlington, Dillon, Dorchester, Edgefield, Fairfield, Florence, Georgetown, Greenville, Greenwood, Hampton, Horry, Jasper, Kershaw, Lancaster, Laurens, Lee, Lexington, Marion, Marlboro, McCormick, Newberry, Oconee, Orangeburg, Pickens, Richland, Saluda, Spartanburg, Sumter, Union, and Williamsburg Counties at a total project cost of \$20,602.50.	Deemed Complete 3/27/2026

	Pickens, Richland, Saluda, Spartanburg, Sumter, Union, and Williamsburg Counties) Reviewer: Ashley Grant		
3099	Trident Medical Center, LLC d/b/a HCA Healthcare Trident Hospital 9330 Medical Plaza Drive Charleston, S.C. 29406 Contact: Jeffrey L. Wilson, President and CEO (843) 847-4100 (Charleston County) Reviewer: Dave Fiorini	The change of classification of 4 medical/surgical beds to 4 inpatient rehabilitation beds for a total of 246 medical/surgical. 38 ICU/CCU beds for a total of 284 hospital beds and 28 inpatient rehabilitation beds at a total project cost of \$374,488.00. **Amended project description to include 38 ICU/CCU beds.	Deemed Accepted 3/27/2026
5255	Infinite Care Solutions, LLC 5550 Tally Yates Drive Rembert, S.C. 29128 Contact: Shavon Mitchell, CEO (803) 717-2008 (Kershaw, Lexington, Richland, and Sumter Counties) Reviewer: Dave Fiorini	The establishment of a home health agency in Kershaw, Lexington, Richland, and Sumter Counties at a total project cost of \$85,000.00. (Web-Based Application)	Received 3/13/2026
5474	Providers Home Care 712 Bultman Drive Sumter, S.C. 29150 Contact: Rhasauna Pierce, Owner (803) 262-0695 (Clarendon, Lee, and Sumter Counties) Reviewer: Dave Fiorini	The establishment of a home health agency in Clarendon, Lee, and Sumter Counties at a total project cost of \$20,000.00. (Web-Based Application)	Received 3/18/2026
5510	Allied Nurses, LLC 900 Trail Ridge, 1 st Floor Aiken, S.C. 29803 Contact: Greg Roper, CEO	The establishment of a Specialty Home Health Agency limited to nursing services and related to home health	Received 3/25/2026

	(803) 902-6615 (Abbeville, Aiken, Allendale, Anderson, Bamberg, Barnwell, Beaufort, Berkeley, Calhoun, Charleston, Cherokee, Chester, Chesterfield, Clarendon, Colleton, Darlington, Dillon, Dorchester, Edgefield, Fairfield, Florence, Georgetown, Greenville, Greenwood, Hampton, Horry, Jasper, Kershaw, Lancaster, Laurens, Lee, Lexington, Marion, Marlboro, McCormick, Newberry, Oconee, Orangeburg, Pickens, Richland, Saluda, Spartanburg, Sumter, Union, Williamsburg, and York Counties) Reviewer: Ashley Grant	services in Abbeville, Aiken, Allendale, Anderson, Bamberg, Barnwell, Beaufort, Berkeley, Calhoun, Charleston, Cherokee, Chester, Chesterfield, Clarendon, Colleton, Darlington, Dillon, Dorchester, Edgefield, Fairfield, Florence, Georgetown, Greenville, Greenwood, Hampton, Horry, Jasper, Kershaw, Lancaster, Laurens, Lee, Lexington, Marion, Marlboro, McCormick, Newberry, Oconee, Orangeburg, Pickens, Richland, Saluda, Spartanburg, Sumter, Union, Williamsburg, and York Counties at a total project cost of \$38,000.00. (Restricted) (Web-Based Application)	
5502	99ONE Healthcare, LLC d/b/a BrightStar Care of Charleston 474 Wando Park Blvd, Suite 106A Mount Pleasant, S.C. 29464 Contact: J. Destry Jeter, President & Owner (843) 300-3008 (Berkeley and Dorchester Counties) Reviewer: Jane Thoennes	The establishment of a Home Health Agency in Berkeley and Dorchester Counties at a total project cost of \$0.00. (Web-Based Application)	Received 3/26/2026

For more information about individual projects, please call (803) 545-4200 for the CON Reviewer listed.

STATUS KEY

- Application Received- The date the application was received by the department with the proof of publication and initial application fee.
- Application Submitted- The date the application was received but does not meet all

filing requirements for the department to publish in the State Register as accepted for filing.

Deemed Accepted-	The date of publication in the State Register that an application has been received by the department and deemed “accepted for filing.”
Deemed Complete-	The date of publication in the <i>State Register</i> that an application has been “deemed complete.” The 90- or 120-day review period begins on this date.
Under Review-	The staff is reviewing the application.
Approved-	The date a decision was made to approve the project.
Denied-	The date a decision was made to deny the project.
Appealed-	The decision has been appealed.

CON NOTES MARCH 2026

Certificate of Need (CON) Third (3rd) and Subsequent Extension Requests

The Department has developed a new process for CON Third (3rd) and subsequent extension requests. After two (2) staff extension have been granted, the CON holder may request CON 3rd and subsequent extension requests from CON staff. The CON 3rd and subsequent extension requests to the Department must be made at least three (3) months prior to the expiration of the CON and must contain justification for such extension. The CON staff will use S.C. Code Section 44-7-230(D) and Regulation 60-15, Sections 601, 602, and 603 to determine if the CON holder has extenuating circumstances beyond their control for the cause of the delay and demonstrated substantial progress as outline in Regulation 60-15. CON staff will make an extension determination for up to a nine (9) month period. Upon CON staff determination, CON 3rd and subsequent extension requests will be submitted to Healthcare Quality’s (HQ) Office of General Counsel (OGC) for review. HQ’s OGC will review the CON staff determination and provide a response for CON staff. After receipt of HQ’s OGC response, CON staff will render a decision of either:

- a. If approved, CON staff will prepare the issuance packet for a new CON expiration date of up to nine (9) months.
- b. If denied, CON staff will prepare a denial letter.

The Certificate of Need (CON) program released a new web-based application on July 1, 2025. The link to the application will be available on the CON webpage. A Frequently Asked Question document for the application is on the CON webpage.

In an effort to improve efficiency and effectiveness, the Certificate of Need (CON) Department would like to receive electronic documentation from all applicants. Beginning **July 1, 2025**, we request that all supporting documentation, letters of support, quarterly reports, implementation reports, and/or final completion reports be submitted electronically. Department staff will acknowledge receipt and acceptance of your email following review. These reports can be emailed to CONinfo@dph.sc.gov

The Certificate of Need (CON) Program has a **new USPS mailing address**. If you need to send USPS to the program, please use the new address listed below:

S.C. Department of Public Health
Certificate of Need Program
P.O. Box 2046
West Columbia, S.C. 29171

The Certificate of Need (CON) Program has a **new mailing address for packages** (i.e. UPS, FedEx, DHL, etc.). Please use the new address below for packages:
Certificate of Need Program, S.C. Department of Public Health
Building E Loading Dock
400 Otarre Parkway
Cayce, S.C. 29033

Certificate of Need (CON) program staff are in the process of developing the 2026 South Carolina Health Plan. With the advice of the Health Planning Committee, the Department will prepare the South Carolina Health Plan to include an inventory and projections of need for existing healthcare facilities, beds, and specified health services for the administration of the Certificate of Need program.

Joint Annual Reports (JARs) for 2025 will be released in April 2026 for completion and submission by hospitals, nursing care facilities, and ancillary facilities. Below are the release and completion dates by category. On the release date for each facility type, emails will be sent to the facility contact as a reminder to complete and submit 2025 JARs.

Hospitals: **Release on April 13, 2026, with completion on June 12, 2026**
Nursing Care Facilities: **Release on April 20, 2026, with completion on June 19, 2026**
Ancillary Facilities: **Release on April 27, 2026, with completion on June 26, 2026**

Hello Nursing Home Administrators,
As we prepare for Fiscal Year 2027, please be on the lookout for the Medicaid Patient Days Request Form. This form will be distributed around mid-May to all Nursing Home Facilities who currently hold a Medicaid Permit. Once received, please complete the form by indicating the number of Medicaid Patient Days your facility plans to provide between July

1, 2026, and June 30, 2027. The completed form must be submitted to the Department no later than **June 15, 2026**.

PROJECTS UNDER APPEAL

The Department presently does not have any projects under appeal.

PROJECTS WHICH DO NOT REQUIRE CERTIFICATE OF NEED REVIEW EXEMPTIONS

For the Department to grant an exemption, the project must meet the requirements in Section 103 and be filed in accordance with Section 103 of Regulation No. 60-15.

**PROJECTS WHICH DO NOT REQUIRE CERTIFICATE OF NEED REVIEW
NON-APPLICABILITY DETERMINATIONS**

For a project to qualify for a non-applicability determination, it must not meet the Standards listed in Section 102 of Regulation No. 61-15 and be filed in accordance with Section 104 of Regulation No. 60-15.

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