



June 29, 2012

MEMORANDUM

TO: Interested Parties
FROM: Matthew Jarrard, Health Planning Director
SUBJECT: Update of Certificate-of-Need (CON) Thresholds

On July 1, 2012, the following CON thresholds become effective:

Table with 2 columns: Category, Thresholds Effective 7/1/2012. Rows include Capital Expenditures, Single-Specialty Physician-Owned Ambulatory Surgery Facilities, Joint Venture Ambulatory Surgery Centers, and Equipment.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. §§ 31-6-40(a)(2) and 31-6-2(14), calculation of the CON threshold is made using the Private Fixed Investment in Structures Index (PFI), which is published annually by the U.S. Department of Commerce's Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA).

Table with 2 columns: Index Name, Value. Rows: 2010 Private Fixed Investment Index, 2011 Private Fixed Investment Index, Annual Percent Change, Cumulative 2010 to 2011.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 31-6-40(a)(3), calculation of the CON Equipment threshold is made using the annual percentage of change in the Consumer Price Index published by the U.S. Department of Labor for the preceding calendar year.

Table with 2 columns: Index Name, Value. Rows: 2010 Consumer Price Index - Medical Care Commodities, 2011 Consumer Price Index - Medical Care Commodities, Annual Percent Change, Cumulative 2010-2011.

Table with 2 columns: Description, Equipment Value. Rows: CON Threshold, July 1, 2011; 2.978% Increase Due to CPI; CON Threshold, July 1, 2012.

Sources: Private Fixed Investment in Structures - United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis... Consumer Price Index - United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of Labor Statistics...