

## Alabama CON Report

May 26, 2021

- I. Certificate of Need Program
- A. A.AL2021-011, DVA Healthcare Renal Care, Inc. d/b/a Northport Dialysis, Northport, AL: Proposes the relocation and expansion of its existing state-of-the-art ESRD facility by adding ten (10) new in-center hemodialysis stations and one (1) isolation station for a total of twenty-five (25) stations. Opposition: None.

Approved.

B. B. AL2021-014, Carillon Oaks Baldwin, LLC, Fairhope, AL: Proposes to construct and operate a forty-eight (48) bed Specialty Care Assisted Living Facility (SCALF) in Baldwin County. Opposition: None.

Approved.

C. C. AL2021-015, Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital of Gadsden, Inc. d/b/a Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital of Gadsden, Gadsden, AL: Proposes to add five (5) inpatient physical rehabilitation (IRF) beds at its existing inpatient rehabilitation hospital in Gadsden, Alabama pursuant to Ala. Admin. Code r. 410-2-4-.08(5). Opposition: Turenne & Associates, LLC/McGuffey Healthcare Center, LLC.

Approved.

- II. Reviewability Determinations and Pending Reviewability Determinations
- A. Reviewability Determinations:

RV2021-009, The Healthcare Authority of Winfield, Alabama d/b/a Northwest Medical Center, proposes to expand its Emergency Department's capacity from six (6) to ten (10) examination rooms and will be accomplished at a cost that will not exceed current regulatory thresholds for CON review. Status: Non-Reviewable.

**RURAL, Cullman Regional Medical Center (CRMC),** proposes to reopen a second catheterization lab at CRMC for vascular surgery and for diagnostics and interventional cardiac catheterizations. **Status: Non-Reviewable.** 

**B.** Pending Reviewability Determinations



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RV2020-024, Alabama Home Health Care Providers, proposes to provide home health services in Etowah, Talladega, Calhoun, Jefferson, Marshall, and Madison counties in Alabama. Status: Pending (Opposition filed 4/12/2021)

**RV2021-011, Parker Cornea, Inc.,** proposes to operate an office-based surgery suite in their physician-owned practice. **Status: Pending** 

**RURAL, Escambia County Alabama Community Hospitals, Inc.,** proposes that the relocation of the rural health clinic owned by Escambia County Alabama Community Hospitals, Inc. (ECACH) does not require ECACH to obtain a Certificate of Need. **Status: Pending** 

**RV2021-012, Hanceville Nursing and Rehab Center, Inc.,** proposes to build a new wing for its existing facility to provide physical therapy services on an outpatient basis. This new wing will not change the number of licensed nursing home beds or its current CON. **Status: Pending** 

**RV2021-013, Comfort Care Home Health Services, LLC,** proposes to establish an additional branch office in Shelby County, one of the counties included in their CON area of Shelby, Jefferson, and Walker counties, as defined within 42 CFR 484.2. **Status: Pending** 

**RV2021-016, ISD Renal, Inc. d/b/a Marshall County Home Training,** proposes to establish and operate a new DaVita home training program/facility comprised of three (3) home-training stations, to be used for peritoneal dialysis home training and treatment, but may in the future, subject to licensure, be used alternatively for home hemodialysis training/treatment and peritoneal dialysis home training/treatment in Marshall County. **Status: Pending** 

#### III. Old Business

**SCALF Report Rule Change:** The comment period ended on May 6, 2021, for the following rule changes: the amendment of the Annual Report for Specialty Care Assisted Living Facilities to collect data on the county of residence for patients admitted to each SCALF pursuant to the requirement of Ala. Admin. Code r. 410-2-4-.04(2)(h); update the submission instructions to comply with Ala. Admin. Code r. 410-1-3-.09; and modify identifying page numbers throughout the Appendix section due to the additional page added to the SCALF reporting form and to complement identifying page numbers as published in the Administrative Code resulting from formatting differences.

#### IV. New Business

**Suggested Emergency Rule: Filing Fee for Veterans Home Application** 



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Alabama Department of Veterans Affairs requests CONRB waive the CON application fee under Rule 410-1-12-.05 by enacting an emergency rule.

### Approved.

The next CON Review Board meeting will be held on June 16, 2021.