



**Happy New Year!**

**December 28, 2018 Georgia Update**

The Georgia Department of Community Health released its Batching Review Cycle Notifications on December 21, 2018. The batching notices can be found at <http://dch.georgia.gov/need-projections> and <http://dch.georgia.gov/public-notices>. The following chart summarizes the various healthcare services and the established need.

**Georgia Winter 2018 Batching Cycle Notices--Assessments of Need**

<b>Beds or Service</b>	<b>Accepting for New or Expanded</b>	<b>Accepting Pursuant to Exception</b>	<b>Need Calculation</b>
Freestanding Birthing Centers	No	No	No Need
Adult Open Heart	No	No	No Need
Pediatric Cardiac Catheterization and Open Heart Surgery Services	No	No	No Need
Psychiatric and Substance Abuse Inpatient Programs	Yes	NA	NA
Positron Emission Tomography Units	No	Yes	No Need
MegaVoltage Radiation Therapy Services/Units	No	Yes	No Need

Letters of Intent for Applications in this batching cycle are due no later than **5 pm on Tuesday, January 22, 2019 (rollover date).**

Complete applications for this batching cycle are due no later than **Noon (12 pm) on Tuesday, February 19, 2019.**

The next assessment of need for these service lines and beds will occur by **June 30, 2019.**

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