



November 11, 2025

Van Loskoski
Practic Manager
Stephens County Hospital
163 Hospital Drive
Toccoa, GA 30577

Re: # 6737
CCN: # 110032
Deemed Program: Hospital
Accreditation Expiration Date: September 5, 2028

Dear Mr. Loskoski:

This letter confirms that your September 3, 2025 - September 4, 2025 unannounced full resurvey event was conducted for the purposes of assessing compliance with the Medicare conditions for hospitals, including swing beds through The Joint Commission's deemed status survey process.

Based upon the submission of your evidence of standards compliance on November 11, 2025, The Joint Commission is granting your organization an accreditation decision of Accredited with an effective date of September 5, 2025.

The Joint Commission is also recommending your organization for continued Medicare certification effective September 5, 2025. Please note that the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Medicare Administrative Contractor (MAC) makes the final determination regarding your Medicare participation and the effective date of participation in accordance with the regulations at 42 CFR 489.13. Your organization is encouraged to share a copy of this Medicare recommendation letter with your State Survey Agency.

This recommendation applies to the following location(s):

Stephens County Hospital
d/b/a Northside Hospital Heart Institute at Toccoa
230 Hospital Drive, Toccoa, GA, 30577

Stephens County Hospital-wound care
d/b/a The Wound Care Center of Stephens County Hospital
1025 Falls Road, Toccoa, GA, 30577

Stephens County Hospital
d/b/a Stephens County Hospital Physician Group - Orthopedics
163 Hospital Drive, Toccoa, GA, 30577

Stephens County Hospital
d/b/a SCHPG - Hartwell Orthopedics



125 West Gibson St, Hartwell, GA, 30643

Stephens County Hospital
d/b/a Stephens County Hospital
163 Hospital Drive, Toccoa, GA, 30577

Stephens County Hospital
d/b/a Stephens County Hospital Physicians Group - General Surgery
163 Hospital Drive, Toccoa, GA, 30577

Please be assured that The Joint Commission will keep the report confidential, except as required by law or court order. To ensure that The Joint Commission's information about your organization is always accurate and current, our policy requires that you inform us of any changes in the name or ownership of your organization or the health care services you provide.

Sincerely,

Ken Grubbs, DNP, MBA, RN
Executive Vice President and Chief Nursing Officer
Division of Accreditation and Certification Operations

cc: CMS/Baltimore Office/Quality, Safety & Oversight Group/Division of Continuing and Acute Care Providers
CMS/SOG Location 4 /Survey and Certification Staff