



MARYLAND
Health Care
Commission

Anne Arundel – SCA Surgicenter, LLC dba

AAMC Surgery Center - Annapolis

ESTABLISHMENT OF A FREESTANDING
AMBULATORY SURGICAL FACILITY
in ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY

NOVEMBER 20, 2025

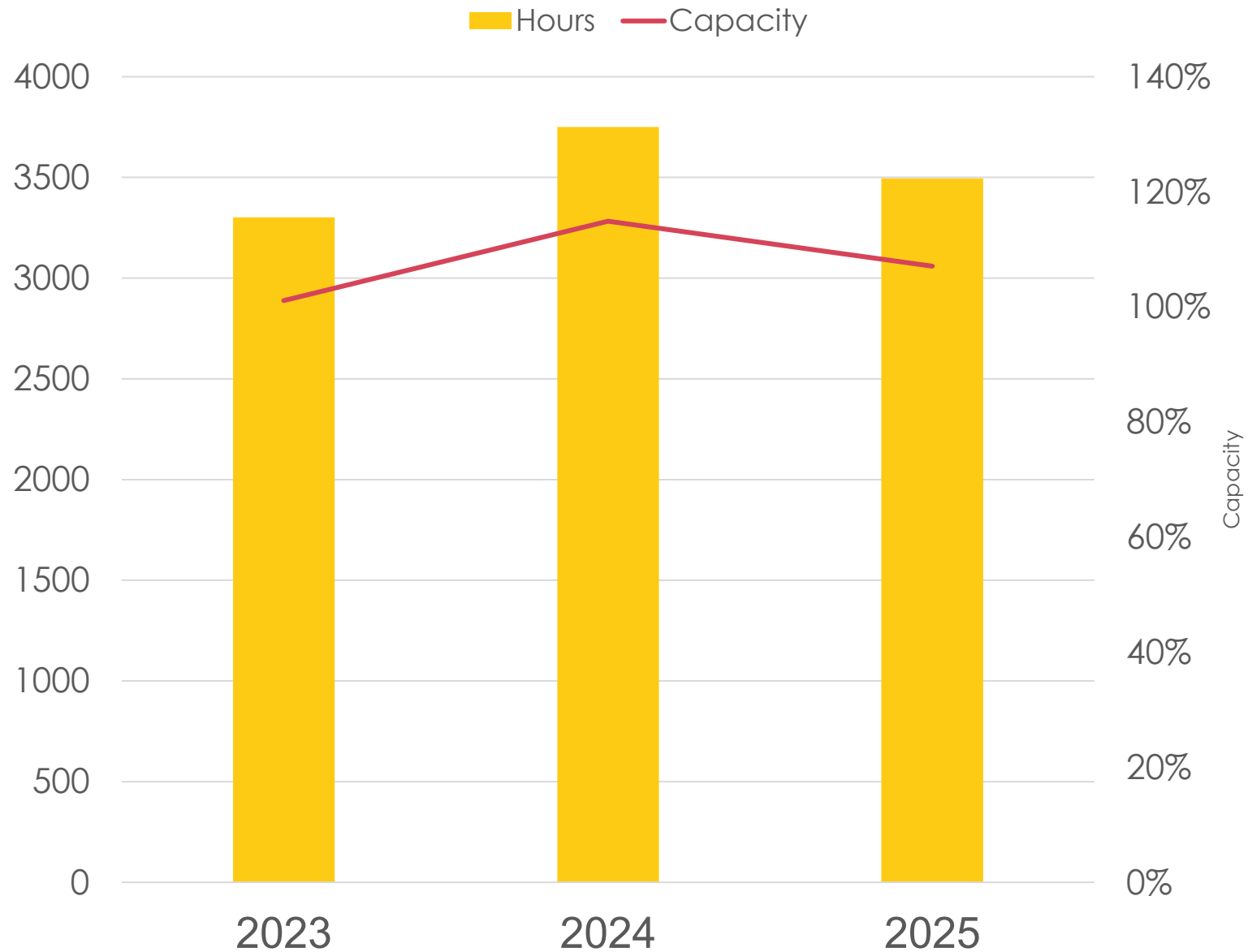


AAMC Surgery Center – Annapolis (AAMC)

Ambulatory surgery center (ASC - 2) in Anne Arundel County

- Established in 2020
- Ownership: Anne Arundel–SCA Holdings, LLC (61%)
27 individual physicians (38.7%)
- Services: Orthopedics, Gynecology, Pain Medicine, and Sports Medicine
- Two sterile operating rooms (zero (0) procedure rooms)

Operating Room Time & Capacity



AAMC - Annapolis

214.7% INCREASE IN
THE NUMBER OF
SURGICAL CASES
FROM 2021 TO 2024



Proposed Project

- Lease and renovate space adjacent to AAMC and renovate existing space in AAMC to create one operating room and one non-sterile procedure room
- Upon project completion, the applicant would establish an ambulatory surgical facility (**ASF**) with three operating rooms and one procedure room

Proposed Project Cost



- Capital Cost: \$4.2 million, \$2.2 million in cash
\$2.0 million in mortgage loan
 - Incremental Workforce Cost: Adding 7.6 FTEs at a cost \$599,039
(32 physicians to perform cases)
- ▶ Anticipated start of operations is September 2026

Staff Analysis



- ▶ Project is consistent with the standards in the State Health Plan for Facilities and Services – General Surgical Services, COMAR 10.24.11
- ▶ Project meets the eight Certificate of Need Review Criteria

Areas of further commitment or demonstration of AAMC's performance

Charity Care

Quality of Care

Health Equity

Standard/Criterion	Conditions for Approval
10.24.11.05(A)(3) – Charity Care and Financial Assistance Policy	Commit to provide an amount of charity care that is equivalent to or greater than the average amount of charity care provided by ASFs in the most recent year reported, measured as a percentage of its total operating expenses.
10.24.11.05(A)(4) – Quality of Care	Provide its CY 2023 and CY 2024 performance on the ASCQR as compared to other ASCs for the eight quality measures indicated as well as the following Claims-Based measures: ASC-17 (Hospital Visits after Orthopedic Ambulatory Surgical Center Procedures) and ASC-19 (Facility Level 7-Day Hospital Visits after General Surgery Procedures Performed at Ambulatory Surgical Centers).
10.24.01.08G(3)(g)- Health Equity	For the next three years, collect and report annually to the Commission, data on the Enhanced Preoperative Education Pathway. The reporting shall include submission of stratified patient-level sociodemographic data, outcomes from orthopedic procedures, the number of risk assessments conducted; and the connections to community-based resources to mitigate potential negative effects.



Recommended Decision

APPROVE the Certificate of Need
with Three Conditions