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John Hamilton  
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RE: Certificate of Need Determination; Report Number 07-31076-EXM  
Regional Network of Programs, Inc.  
CON Exemption Pursuant to Section 17a-678, C.G.S.  
Obtain a Substance Abuse Outpatient Treatment License in Bridgeport

Dear Mr. Hamilton:

The Office of Health Care Access (“OHCA”) is in receipt of your request for exemption from the Certificate of Need (“CON”) process, pursuant to Section 17a-678 of the Connecticut General Statutes (“C.G.S.”), to obtain a Substance Abuse Outpatient Treatment License in Bridgeport.

Upon review of the information contained in the request, OHCA finds the following:

1. Regional Network of Programs, Inc. (“RNP”) is a non-profit facility providing individualized case management, crisis intervention, on-site medical and psychiatric services, community networking and life skills training to men and women, aged 18 and over, who reside at Prospect House Shelter, Shelter Plus Care, the Single Room Occupancy Program and Urban Model Initiative in Bridgeport.

2. RNP is proposing to establish a substance abuse outpatient treatment service for adults at 392 Prospect Street, Bridgeport, CT.
3. The Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (“DMHAS”), in a letter dated December 10, 2007, from Deputy Commissioner Peter B. Rockholz, M.S.S.W., grants an exemption under CGS Section 17a-678 to allow Regional Network of Programs, Inc. to obtain a license for the facility in the care or treatment of substance abusive or dependent persons-outpatient treatment for adults at 392 Prospect Street in Bridgeport, CT. The program will serve the Greater Bridgeport area.
4. DMHAS states that the intensive outpatient program located at 392 Prospect Street, Bridgeport will serve clients from Prospect House (Homeless) Shelter, Shelter Plus Care, the Single Room Occupancy Program and Urban Model Initiative. RNP will serve 50 unduplicated clients annually. RNP is funded under DMHAS’ Humans Services contract and General Assistance program.
5. There is no capital expenditure associated with this proposal.

Based on the above findings, OHCA has determined that Regional Network of Programs, Inc.’s request to establish a substance abuse outpatient treatment service at 392 Prospect Street in Bridgeport, CT, meets the exemption requirements of Section 17a-678 of the Connecticut General Statutes and, therefore, is exempt from OHCA’s CON process. Termination of these services would require CON approval, pursuant to Section 19a-638, C.G.S.

Thank you for providing information to OHCA regarding this proposal. If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Paolo Fiducia, Associate Health Care Analyst, Certification, Financial Analysis and Forecasting, at (860) 418-7001.

Sincerely,

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Commissioner

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