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February 7, 2008

Walter Smith
Director, State Regulatory Affairs
HealthSouth Corporation
One HealthSouth Parkway
Birmingham AL 35243

RE: Certificate of Need Determination Request; Report Number: 08-31088-DTR
HealthSouth Corporation
Service Termination through the Closure of HealthSouth Sports Medicine and
Rehabilitation Center of Norwalk

Dear Mr. Smith:

On January 23, 2008, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your Certificate of Need ("CON") Determination request concerning the proposal of HealthSouth Corporation to terminate outpatient rehabilitation services through the closure of HealthSouth Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation Center of Norwalk at no proposed capital expenditure. Please be advised that OHCA has reviewed your request and makes the following findings:

1. HealthSouth Corporation ("Petitioner") is a for-profit Delaware corporation, headquartered in Birmingham, Alabama.
2. HealthSouth Corporation d/b/a HealthSouth Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation Center of Norwalk is requesting that CON approval is not required for the termination of services at its outpatient rehabilitation facility, located at 40 Cross Street in Norwalk.
3. The Petitioner is a health care facility pursuant to Section 19a-630(1) of the Connecticut General Statutes ("C.G.S.").
4. Pursuant to Section 19a-638 of the C.G.S., each health care facility, which intends to terminate a health service offered by such facility, shall submit to OHCA a request to undertake such termination.

As such, Certificate of Need authorization from OHCA is required in this matter. If the Petitioner is agreeable, OHCA will consider the submission of information received on January 23, 2008 as the Letter of Intent for this matter; therefore HealthSouth Corporation may file a completed CON application with OHCA between March 23, 2008 and May 22, 2008. The CON application is being mailed to your attention separately.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Jack A. Huber, OHCA Health Care Analyst, at (860) 418-7034.

Sincerely,

Signed by Commissioner Vogel on February 7, 2008

Cristine A. Vogel
Commissioner

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