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January 30, 2008

Peter A. Kuzmickas  
Acting President  
Johnson Memorial Hospital  
201 Chestnut Road  
Stafford Springs, CT 06076

RE: Certificate of Need Determination; Report Number 08-31091-DTR  
Establish Outpatient Infusion Services in Enfield  
Johnson Memorial Hospital

Dear Mr. Kuzmickas:

On January 25, 2008, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your certificate of Need ("CON") Determination request concerning the proposal of Johnson Memorial Hospital ("JMH") to establish outpatient infusion services in Enfield, at a total capital expenditure of \$102,422. OHCA has reviewed the information contained in the request and makes the following findings:

1. JMH is an acute care hospital located at 201 Chestnut Hill Road in Stafford Springs, Connecticut.
2. JMH is planning to establish outpatient chemotherapy/infusion services at the Phoenix Community Cancer Center ("PCCC") at 142 Hazard Avenue, Enfield.
3. JMH currently and will continue to provide chemotherapy/infusion services on an outpatient basis in Stafford Springs for patients who require the level of care available in an acute care setting, or who require weekend therapy or treatments.
4. JMH states that the new location will be closer to the majority of their current population being served and is in a centralized location that includes medical oncology, radiation therapy, and the American Cancer Resource Center.

5. Section 19a-638 of the Connecticut General Statutes (“C.G.S.”) states, in part, that the introduction of any additional function or services requires authorization from OHCA.

As such, Certificate of Need authorization from OHCA is required in this matter. Johnson Memorial Hospital shall not establish outpatient infusion services at the Phoenix Cancer Center, 142 Hazard Avenue, Enfield until it receives CON authorization from OHCA.

If the petitioner is agreeable, OHCA will consider the submission of information received on January 25, 2008 as the Letter of Intent for this matter; therefore Johnson Memorial Hospital may file a completed CON application with OHCA between March 25, 2008 and May 24, 2008. The CON application is being mailed to your attention separately.

This CON application will replace the CON application previously transmitted to JMH under Docket Number 07-31066 for the termination of outpatient chemotherapy/infusion services in Stafford Springs and establishment of outpatient chemotherapy/infusion services in Enfield.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Paolo Fiducia, Associate Health Care Analyst, at (860) 418-7001.

Sincerely,

***Signed by Commissioner Vogel on January 30, 2008***

Cristine A. Vogel  
Commissioner

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