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September 3, 2008

Mayda Capozzi
Executive Assistant
The Wellspring Foundation, Inc.
d/b/a Angelus House
21 Arch Bridge Road
Bethlehem, CT 06751

RE: Certificate of Need Application, Docket Number 08-31112-DTR
The Wellspring Foundation, Inc. d/b/a Angelus House
Elimination of Substance Abuse Outpatient Treatment license in Bethlehem

Dear Ms. Capozzi:

On July 1, 2008, the Office of Health Care Access (“OHCA”) forwarded a letter to The Wellspring Foundation, Inc. d/b/a Angelus House requesting clarification regarding Angelus House’s termination of its Substance Abuse Outpatient Treatment license for the 158 Flanders Road location. The Wellspring Foundation, Inc. d/b/a Angelus House responded to OHCA’s inquiry on August 14, 2008 and OHCA finds the following related to this matter:

1. The Wellspring Foundation, Inc. d/b/a Angelus House is a non-profit facility headquartered at 21 Arch Bridge Road in Bethlehem. Wellspring Foundation, Inc. d/b/a Angelus House held a Department of Public Health Facility for the Care or Treatment of Substance Abusive or Dependent Persons license under license #FCTSADP-0263 for its 158 Flanders Road, Bethlehem location¹. Services currently provided at this location are adult residential treatment, adult day treatment, and adult outpatient services.

¹ OHCA issued a Certificate of Need Determination in 2002 under Report #02-E which allowed “*Angelus House currently licensed by the Department of Public Health as a psychiatric outpatient clinic and a mental health day treatment clinic...to add substance abuse outpatient treatment services at Angelus House in Bethlehem*”.

2. This license (FCTSADP-0263) issued by the Department of Public Health expired effective March 31, 2008.
3. The Wellspring Foundation, Inc. d/b/a Angelus House responded to OHCA's request for further clarification and made the following statement: "*Wellspring has never served a client under the Facility for the Care or Treatment of Substance Abusive or Dependent Persons license # FCTSADP-0263 at the 158 Flanders Road Location.*"

Based upon the above findings, OHCA now determines that The Wellspring Foundation, Inc. d/b/a Angelus House's elimination of its Substance Abuse Outpatient Treatment license for the 158 Flanders Road in Bethlehem does not represent a termination of an existing health care program or service because substance abuse services under this license were never implemented or initiated. Therefore, a termination of services under Section 19a-638(a)(3) did not occur and a Certificate of Need is not required.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Diane Duran, PPT Health Care Analyst at (860) 418-7001.

Mentioned

Sincerely,

Signed by Commissioner Vogel on September 3, 2008

Cristine A. Vogel
Commissioner

c: Sandra C. Bauer, Licensing Examination Assistant, Facility Licensing & Investigations Section, DPH
Barbara Durdy, Director of Operations, OHCA
Harvey Newman, CEO, The Wellspring Foundation, Inc.

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