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June 12, 2008

Revised

Margaret Flinter, APRN  
Vice President and Clinical Director  
Community Health Center, Inc.  
635 Main Street  
Middletown, CT 06457

Re: Certificate of Need Determination Report Number: 08-31149-EXM  
Community Health Center, Inc. d/b/a Community Health Center of Danbury  
Establish an Outpatient Clinic and a Psychiatric Outpatient Clinic for Adults in Danbury

Dear Ms. Flinter:

On April 29, 2008, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your application for exemption from the Certificate of Need ("CON") process for the establishment of an outpatient clinic and a psychiatric outpatient clinic for adults located at 8 DeLay Street, Danbury, Connecticut.

Please be advised that OHCA has reviewed the information submitted in your request and makes the following findings:

1. Community Health Center, Inc. ("CHC") is a private, non-profit, Federally Qualified Health Center ("FQHC").
2. Community Health Center, Inc. is proposing to establish an outpatient clinic and a psychiatric outpatient clinic for adults at 8 DeLay Street in Danbury, CT.
3. CHC is planning to deliver primary medical care and behavioral health services at 8 DeLay Street in Danbury.
4. CHC site is located in a designated medically underserved population area or derives more than half of its patients from a designated medically underserved population area.

5. The Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (“DMHAS”), in a letter dated June 10, 2008, from Assistant Commissioner Paul J. Di Leo, MS, FACHE, recommends an exemption under CGS Section 19a-639b for Community Health Center, Inc. to provide outpatient psychiatric services for adults at 8 DeLay Street in Danbury.
5. DMHAS states that CHC will be providing these services for 200 adults at 8 DeLay Street in Danbury serving Danbury, Bethel and Brookfield. CHC is a Federally Qualified Health Center providing one stop shopping for primary care and mental health services. CHC has a current General Assistance contract with DMHAS to provide behavioral health services for clients.
6. The total capital expenditure associated with the proposal is \$1,000,000.

Based on the above findings, OHCA determines that the proposal of the Community Health Center, Inc. to establish an outpatient clinic and a psychiatric outpatient clinic for adults located at 8 DeLay Street, Danbury, Connecticut meets the requirements of Section 19a-639(d) of the Connecticut General Statutes, and, therefore, is exempt from OHCA’s Certificate of Need process. Termination of these services would require CON approval, pursuant to Section 19a-638, C.G.S.

Thank you for advising OHCA of your plans. 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 June 12, 2008*

Cristine A. Vogel,  
Commissioner

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