



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
Office of Health Care Access

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Linda S. Smith, LCSW
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Catholic Charities, Inc. – Archdiocese of Hartford
839-841 Asylum Avenue
Hartford, CT 06105

RE: Certificate of Need Determination; Report Number 09-31483-EXM
Catholic Charities, Inc. – Archdiocese of Hartford
CON Exemption Pursuant to Sections 19a-639b C.G.S.
Termination of Psychiatric Outpatient Facility for Adults in Bristol

Dear Ms. Smith:

On October 19, 2009, the Office of Health Care Access (“OHCA”) received your request for exemption from the CON process for the closure of a psychiatric outpatient facility located at 440-C North Main Street, Bristol, Connecticut, with no associated capital cost. OHCA has reviewed the information contained in your proposal and makes the following findings:

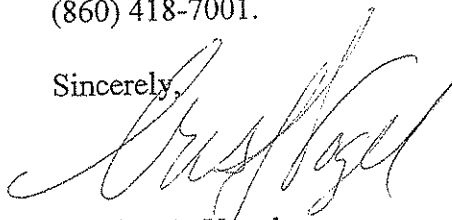
1. Catholic Charities, Inc. – Archdiocese of Hartford (“CCI” or “Applicant”) is a non-profit facility providing adult outpatient psychiatric and substance abuse treatment at various locations in Connecticut. CCI is under contract with The Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services.
2. CCI is proposing to terminate a psychiatric outpatient clinic for adults at 440-C North Main Street, Bristol.
3. The Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (“DMHAS”), in a letter received September 8, 2009, from Deputy Commissioner Patricia A. Rehmer, MSN, recommends an exemption under CGS Section 19a-639b for Catholic Charities, Inc. – Archdiocese of Hartford to terminate psychiatric outpatient treatment services for adults at 440-C North Main Street, Bristol, CT.

4. DMHAS states that the Applicant proposes to discontinue its mental health outpatient treatment program, located at 440-C North Main Street, Bristol and serve clients at its New Britain Clinic. This request is the result of a loss of United Way funding and the downturn in the economy.
5. DMHAS also states that the applicant has developed a thorough plan to transfer services to its New Britain site insuring continuity of care for current clients. Of the current 22 active clients, all but one wish to continue services at the applicant's New Britain site and services will be provided in the client's home in Bristol. The applicant will notify referral agencies of the change and there appears to be significant capacity to offset the loss.
6. The capital expenditure associated with this proposal is \$0.

Based on the above findings, OHCA has determined that the proposal to terminate the psychiatric outpatient treatment program for adults at Catholic Charities, Inc. – Archdiocese of Hartford located at 440-C North Main Street, Bristol, CT., meets the exemption requirements of Section 19a-639b of the Connecticut General Statutes and, therefore, is exempt from OHCA's CON process.

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, at (860) 418-7001.

Sincerely,



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Commissioner

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