



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
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Via Facsimile Only

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Re: CON Determination Report Number 09-31488-DTR
St. Vincent's Medical Center and Hall-Brooke Behavioral Health Services
Reorganization of St. Vincent's Medical Center's Outpatient Behavioral Health Services

Dear Ms. Davis and Mr. McCreath:

On November 13, 2009, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your completed Certificate of Need ("CON") Determination request on behalf of St. Vincent' Medical Center ("SVMC" and/or "Hospital") and Hall-Brooke Behavioral Health Services ("Hall-Brooke") (together referred to as "Petitioners") for the reorganization of SVMC's outpatient behavioral health services. OHCA has reviewed your request and makes the following findings:

1. SVMC is an acute care hospital located at 2800 Main Street, Bridgeport, Connecticut.
2. SVMC and Hall-Brooke are subsidiaries of St. Vincent's Health Services ("System").
3. SVMC currently provides inpatient and outpatient behavioral health services.
4. As of 2008, Hall-Brooke no longer holds hospital licensure itself and operates outpatient behavioral helth services only and transfers its patients requiring inpatient services to SVMC.
5. Hall-Brooke participates with the federal Medicare program as a community health mental health center. As such, Hall-Brooke is not able to receive reimbursement for the facility component for certain services offered.

6. The Petitioners are proposing to transfer and reorganize the current behavioral health services offered by Hall-Brooke to SVMC:

Table 1: Proposed Transfer and Reorganization of Hall-Brooke's Current Services:

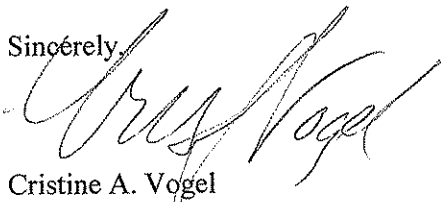
Services	Current Location	Proposed Location	Current Provider	Proposed Provider
Partial Hospitalization	2400 Main Street Bridgeport & 1 Lois Street Norwalk	Same	Hall-Brooke	SVMC
Intensive Outpatient	2400 Main Street Bridgeport & 1 Lois Street, Norwalk	Same	Hall-Brooke	SVMC
Outpatient	2400 Main Street Bridgeport & 1 Lois Street, Norwalk	Same	Hall-Brooke	SVMC

7. All behavioral health services will be transferred under SVMC's license and all billing would be under the Hospital's tax identification number.
8. The patients will continue to receive treatment at the same Hall-Brooke locations.
9. The ownership of Hall-Brooke will not change as a result of this proposal. The System is the sole member of SVMC and Hall-Brooke.
10. The proposal will not result in any change to the type of services provided or the location of the existing service.
11. There is no capital expenditure associated with the proposal.

Based on the above findings, OHCA has determined that the proposed service transfer of behavioral health services from Hall-Brooke to St. Vincent's Medial Center will not result in a change to the delivery of health care services provided nor will it result in a change in the ownership of either of the Applicants. Additionally, there is no capital expenditure associated with the proposal. Therefore, a CON is not required pursuant to General Statutes §19a-638 and §19a-639.

Thank you for providing information to OHCA regarding this proposal. If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Steven W. Lazarus, Associate Health Care Analyst, at (860) 418-7012.

Sincerely,



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Deputy Commissioner