



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

September 27, 2011

VIA FACSIMILE ONLY

Paul J. Waters  
Executive Director  
Commonwealth Group, LLC  
519 Center Street  
Manchester, CT 06040

RE: Certificate of Need Determination Report Number 11-31712-DTR  
Commonwealth Group, LLC  
Acquire a License to Provide Outpatient Substance Abuse Treatment Services

Dear Mr. Waters:

With the receipt of the additional information on August 23, 2011, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your completed Certificate of Need ("CON") determination request on behalf of Commonwealth Group, LLC ("Applicant") with respect to whether a CON is required for the Applicant to become licensed as an outpatient behavioral health facility.

The Applicant currently has a contract with Connecticut's Department of Motor Vehicles ("DMV") to provide a Substance Abuse Treatment Program ("SATP") pursuant to General Statutes § 14-227f. The Applicant has been providing these services to the DMV since 1995 and on April 19, 2010, DMV renewed the contract for another two years. The Applicant seeks to get licensed so that it can continue to provide outpatient substance abuse treatment services to DMV and expand to Adult Probation. It does not intend to advertise or solicit business from the general public (i.e. individual counseling, group counseling, etc.).

Pursuant to General Statutes § 19a-638 (b) (14), a CON is not required for any non-profit facility, institution or provider that has a contract with, or is certified or licensed to provide a service for, a state agency or department for a service that would otherwise require a CON. However, since the Applicant is a for-profit entity, a CON is required for the Applicant to obtain a license as an outpatient behavioral health facility. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Steven W. Lazarus, Associate Health Care Analyst, at (860) 418-7012.

Sincerely,

Kimberly R. Martone  
Director of Operations

C: Rose McLellan, License and Applications Supervisor, DPH, DHSR

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