



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

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VIA FACSIMILE ONLY

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RE: Certificate of Need, Report No.: 12-31806-DTR
PriMed Gastroenterology, LLC d/b/a Fairfield County Endoscopy Center
Addition of One New Operating Room

Dear Attorney Del Negro:

On November 14, 2012, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your determination request on behalf of PriMed Gastroenterology, LLC d/b/a Fairfield County Endoscopy Center ("PriMed") with respect to whether a Certificate of Need ("CON") is required for the addition of one (1) operating room ("OR").

PriMed is a multispecialty private medical practice solely owned by its physician members. PriMed is comprised of forty nine primary care physicians, forty three specialist physicians, twenty three physician extenders and five non-physician professional providers.

OHCA, under 01-551-DTR, granted authorization to PriMed to establish an outpatient surgical facility at its current location. Since its inception, PriMed has operated two (2) ORs. In August of 2012, OHCA determined under Report Number 12-31760-DTR, that PriMed could add one (1) additional OR for a total of three (3) ORs without requiring a CON. PriMed is now requesting permission to add another OR, for a total of four (4) ORs.

Based upon the foregoing, OHCA concludes that a CON is required for PriMed to add another OR pursuant to General Statutes § 19a-638a (13), as this is an increase of two or more ORs within a three-year period since October 1, 2010.

Thank you for informing OHCA of your plans and if you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Steven W. Lazarus, Associate Health Care Analyst at (860) 418-7012.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Kimberly R. Martone in black ink.

Kimberly R. Martone
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