



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
OFFICE OF HEALTH CARE ACCESS

M. JODI RELL
GOVERNOR

CRISTINE A. VOGEL
COMMISSIONER

January 30, 2006

Cheryl Burack
Executive Director
Coordinating Council for Children in Crisis, Inc.
131 Dwight Street
New Haven, CT 06511

RE: Certificate of Need Determination; Report Number 05-30664-EXM
Coordinating Council for Children in Crisis, Inc.
CON Exemption Pursuant to Section 19a-639b, C.G.S.
Establish Psychiatric Outpatient Clinic for Adults in New Haven

Dear Ms. Burack:

The Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") is in receipt of your request for exemption from the Certificate of Need ("CON") process, pursuant to Section 19a-639b of the Connecticut General Statutes ("C.G.S."), for the establishment of a psychiatric outpatient clinic for adults at 131 Dwight Street, in New Haven.

Upon review of the information contained in the request, OHCA finds the following:

1. Coordinating Council for Children in Crisis, Inc. ("CCCC") is a non-profit facility that provides adult outpatient mental health services to parents with a psychiatric disability, other serious disability (Homelessness or HIV/AIDS) and to mothers and their children traumatized by domestic violence in New Haven.
2. CCCC is proposing to obtain a psychiatric outpatient license at 131 Dwight Street, in New Haven.
3. The Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services ("DMHAS"), in a letter dated January 5, 2006, from Deputy Commissioner Peter B. Rockholz, M.S.S.W, recommends an exemption under CGS Section 19a-639b for Coordinating Council for Children in Crisis, Inc. to provide outpatient psychiatric services for adults.

4. DMHAS states that CCCC treated 1,043 families and has a current waiting list of approximately 25 patients with an average waiting time of approximately 12 weeks. CCCC will be able to enhance financial stability and expand service capacity from serving 67 unduplicated adults to 117 to 142 unduplicated adults with an additional 2 and 3 FTE staff, respectively.
5. The total capital expenditure associated with the proposal is \$20,000.

Based on the above findings, OHCA has determined that the establishment of a psychiatric outpatient clinic for adults at 131 Dwight Street, in New Haven meets the exemption requirements of Section 19a-639b of the Connecticut General Statutes and, therefore, is exempt from OHCA's CON process. Termination of these services would require CON approval, pursuant to Section 19a-638, C.G.S.

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, Certification, Financial Analysis and Forecasting, at (860) 418-7001.

Sincerely,

Signed by Cristine A. Vogel
Commissioner

C: Honorable Thomas A. Kirk, Jr., Ph.D., Commissioner, DMHAS
Sandra Bauer, Health Processing Technician, DPH, DCBR
Al Bidorini, Director, OPAS, DMHAS
Donna C. Stimpson, Planning Specialist, DMHAS

CAV:pf