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Ms. Jacqueline J. Johnson
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RE: Certificate of Need Determination; Report Number 09-31338-DTR
Sound Community Services, Inc.
The relocation of adult psychiatric outpatient clinic services within Norwich, Connecticut

Dear Ms. Johnson:

On March 23, 2009, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your Certificate of Need ("CON") Determination request concerning the intent of Sound Community Services, Inc. to relocate its licensed psychiatric outpatient clinic for adults from its existing location at 110 Main Street in Norwich to a new location at 113 Salem Turnpike in Norwich. OHCA has reviewed the information contained in your CON Determination request and makes the following findings:

1. Sound Community Services, Inc. (the "Applicant") is an existing provider of various behavioral health services in Norwich and New London. The Applicant currently holds the following Department of Public Health facility licenses:

License Category	Address	License Number
Psychiatric Outpatient Clinic for Adults	110 Main Street, Norwich	0385
Psychiatric Outpatient Clinic for Adults	165 State Street, New London	0386
Facility for the Care or Treatment of Substance Abusive or Dependent Persons	165 State Street, New London	0328
Mental Health Residential Living Center	401 West Thames Street, Cottage #8, Norwich	0045

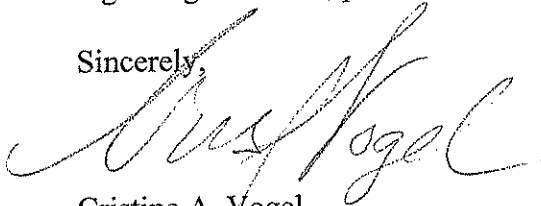
2. The Applicant is seeking a CON Determination from OHCA related to its plan to relocate its licensed psychiatric outpatient clinic for adults from its existing location at 110 Main Street in Norwich to a new location 113 Salem Turnpike in Norwich.

3. The Applicant will be seeking an amendment of their existing Department of Public Health license for the program (License #0385) to reflect this new (relocated) service location. The Applicant intends that the license number for the program remains the same.
4. The current population served and the target population to be served remain will not change as a result of the relocation of these existing licensed services.
5. No additional programs are proposed and no services will be terminated.
6. The Applicant estimates that this relocation will take place on May 1, 2009. The current lease for the space at 110 Main Street in Norwich expires on April 30, 2009.
7. The Applicant has not identified any capital expenditures associated with this relocation. The Applicant will be relocating these services to leased space.

Based on these findings, OHCA has determined that Certificate of Need approval is not required for Sound Community Services, Inc. to proceed with the relocation of its existing licensed services from 110 Main Street in Norwich to 113 Salem Turnpike in Norwich. 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 regarding this letter, please contact Karen Roberts, Compliance Officer at (860) 418-7001.

Sincerely,



Cristine A. Vogel
Commissioner

c: Rose McLellan, DPH

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