

## STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## OFFICE OF HEALTH CARE ACCESS

M. JODI RELL **GOVERNOR** 

CRISTINE A. VOGEL COMMISSIONER

May 1, 2009

Mr. Claudio Capone Director, Strategic Business Planning The Hospital of Central Connecticut 100 Grand Street New Britain, CT 06052

Re:

Certificate of Need Determination Report Number 09-31364-DTR The Hospital of Central Connecticut

Proposal to Establish a 4 Bed Sleep Laboratory Satellite in Southington

Dear Mr. Capone:

On April 28, 2009, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your request for a CON Determination regarding the proposal to establish a 4 bed sleep laboratory satellite in Southington, with an associated capital expenditure of \$294,304. OHCA has reviewed the information contained in your request and makes the following findings:

- 1. The Hospital of Central Connecticut ("HCC" or "Hospital") is an acute care hospital with a main campus located at 100 Grand Street in New Britain. HCC is a health care facility or institution as defined by Section 19a-630 of the Connecticut General Statutes ("C.G.S.").
- 2. HCC currently operates a sleep laboratory located at 100 Grand Street in New Britain.
- 3. HCC proposes to establish and operate a 4 bed sleep laboratory at 1131 West Street, Southington.
- 4. The proposed site will offer diagnosis and treatment of sleep apnea, narcolepsy, restless leg syndrome and periodic limb movement disorder, parasomnia and insomnia. The proposed project will serve those patients that currently reside in HCC's primary service area of Berlin, New Britain, Plainville and Southington.
- 5. HCC will be providing the services.
- 6. HCC will be responsible for the billing of the services.

- 7. HCC will be leasing the space from Lovely Development who currently manages the property located on 1131 West Street in Southington.
- 8. The proposal has an associated capital expenditure of \$294,304.
- 9. Pursuant to Section 19a-638 (2) of the Connecticut General Statutes each health care facility or institution or state health care facility or institution, including any inpatient rehabilitation facility, which intends to introduce any additional function or service into its program of health care shall submit to the office, prior to the proposed date of the institution of such function or service, a request for permission to undertake such function or service.

Based on the above findings, OHCA has determined that HCC is a health-care facility and that the proposal to establish and operate a 4 bed sleep laboratory in Southington, represents the establishment of a new service in a new location for a health care facility or institution. Therefore, the proposal of The Hospital of Central Connecticut to establish and operate a 4 bed sleep laboratory in Southington requires Certificate of Need authorization by OHCA pursuant to Section 19a-638 (2) of the Connecticut General Statutes.

If you have any questions related to this letter, please contact Paolo Fiducia or Karen Roberts or if you have questions related to the Certificate of Need process, please contact Kimberly R. Martone, they can all be reached at (860) 418-7001.

Sincerely,

Cristine A. Vogel

Commissioner

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