

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH Office of Health Care Access

October 28, 2009

Linda S. Smith, LCSW Director of Quality Assurance Catholic Charities, Inc. – Archdiocese of Hartford 839-841 Asylum Avenue Hartford, CT 06105

RE: Certificate of Need Determination; Report Number 09-31482-EXM
Catholic Charities, Inc. – Archdiocese of Hartford
CON Exemption Pursuant to Sections 19a-639b C.G.S.
Termination of Psychiatric Outpatient Facility for Adults in Rocky Hill

Dear Ms. Smith:

On October 19, 2009, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your request for exemption from the CON process for the closure of a psychiatric outpatient facility located at 2433 Main Street, Suite 6, Rocky Hill, Connecticut, with no associated capital cost. OHCA has reviewed the information contained in your proposal and makes the following findings:

- Catholic Charities, Inc. Archdiocese of Hartford ("CCI") is a non-profit facility
 providing adult outpatient psychiatric and substance abuse treatment at various locations
 in Connecticut. CCI is under contract with The Department of Mental Health and
 Addiction Services.
- 2. CCI is proposing to terminate a psychiatric outpatient clinic for adults at 2433 Main Street, Suite 6, Rocky Hill.
- 3. The Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services ("DMHAS"), in a letter received September 24, 2009, from Assistant Commissioner Paul J. Di Leo, MS, FACHE, recommends an exemption under CGS Section 19a-639b for Catholic Charities, Inc. Archdiocese of Hartford to terminate psychiatric outpatient treatment services for adults at 2433 Main Street, Suite 6, Rocky Hill, CT.

- 4. DMHAS states that it has discussed the closing of the outpatient program with the Local Mental Health Authority ("LMHA"), Intercommunity Mental Health Group, Inc. which serves Rocky Hill. The LMHA assures access for this area consistent with requirements for adult services. There are no access concerns in this geographic area.
- 5. CCI indicates that there has been a long-standing lack of referrals at this location. CCI states that it has been several years since this site has been successful in attracting even a minimal adult mental health client base and the cost of this mental space has been burdensome and can no longer be supported.
- 6. The capital expenditure associated with this proposal is \$0.

Based on the above findings, OHCA has determined that the proposal to terminate the psychiatric outpatient treatment program for adults at Catholic Charities, Inc. – Archdiocese of Hartford located at 2433 Main Street, Suite 6, Rocky Hill, CT., meets the exemption requirements of Section 19a-639b of the Connecticut General Statutes and, therefore, is exempt from OHCA's CON process.

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, at (860) 418-7001.

Sincerely,

Cristine A. Vogel

Commissioner

C: Paul J. Di Leo, MS, FACHE, Assistant Commissioner, DMHAS Sandra Bauer, Licensing Examination Assistant, DPH, FLIS Al Bidorini, Director, OPAS, DMHAS Donna C. Stimpson, Planning Specialist, DMHAS

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