

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH Office of Health Care Access

January 28, 2010

Rose Swift
Director, Grants Management
Cornell Scott-Hill Health Corporation
400 Columbus Avenue
New Haven, CT 06519

VIA FACSIMILE ONLY

RE:

Certificate of Need Determination; Report Number 09-31505-EXM Cornell Scott-Hill Health Corporation

Establish Primary Care Clinic in Ansonia

Dear Ms. Swift:

On December 10, 2009, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your letter regarding the establishment of a primary care clinic at 435 East Main Street, Ansonia, Connecticut. OHCA has reviewed this matter and makes the following findings:

- 1. Cornell Scott-Hill Health Corporation ("CS-HHC") is a private, non-profit, Federally Qualified Health Center ("FQHC") headquarted at 400 Columbus Avenue in New Haven, Connecticut.
- 2. CS-HHC is proposing to open a part-time community health center satellite location in the Birmingham Group's facility located at 435 East Main Street, Ansonia, Connecticut.
- 3. A CS-HHC provider (usually a nurse-practitioner or physician assistant) will provide primary care services at the part-time location one day a week.
- 4. In additional to these traditional primary care services, CS-HHC will provide health education and health promotion education services.
- 5. The capital expenditure associated with this proposal is \$18,108.
- 6. The proposed address is located within a health professional shortage area pursuant to the U.S.Department of Health and Human Services, Health Rsouces and Services Administration ('HRSA").

Based on the above findings, OHCA has determined that Cornell Scott-Hill Health Corporation's request to establish a community health center location at 435 East Main Street, Ansonia, Connecticut meets the requirements of Section 19a-639(d) of the Connecticut General Statutes, and, therefore, is exempt from OHCA's Certificate of Need process.

Thank you for providing information to OHCA regarding this proposal. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Paolo Fiducia, Associate Health Care Analyst at (860) 418-7001.

Sincerely,

Cristine A. Vogel

Deputy Commissioner

c: Rose McLellan, DPH

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