

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH Office of Health Care Access

February 8, 2010

William A. Aniskovich CEO Stonington Institute 75 Swantown Hill Road North Stonington, CT 06359 VIA FACSIMILE ONLY

RE:

Certificate of Need Determination Request; Report Number: 10-31530-DTR

Stonington Institute

Termination of Outpatient Services in Danielson

Dear Mr. Aniskovich:

On January 25, 2010, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your Certificate of Need ("CON") Determination request concerning the proposal of Stonington Institute to terminate outpatient services at 37 Commerce Avenue, Danielson, Connecticut, at no proposed capital expenditure. Please be advised that OHCA has reviewed your request and makes the following findings:

- Stonington Institute ("Applicant") is a for-profit facility, headquartered at 75 Swantown Hill Road, North Stonington, Connecticut.
- The Applicant is proposing to terminate its currently licensed psychiatric outpatient clinic at 37 Commerce Avenue, Danielson, Connecticut (the "Clinic").
- 3. The Applicant received OHCA approval to offer outpatient psychiatric and mental health services at the Clinic under Docket Number 05-30563-CON.
- 4. Between July 1, 2005 and June 30, 2009, the Applicant provided outpatient Mental Health Evaluation & Treatment services at the Clinic to individuals referred by the Connecticut Judicial Branch, Court Support Services Division ('CSSD") pursuant to an agreement dated July 1, 2005.

- 5. In 2009, CSSD issued an RFP for the purpose of re-contracting for Mental Health Evaluation & Treatment services in the Danielson area. The Applicant did not respond to the RFP and the agreement expired on June 30, 2009.
- 6. The only treatment services provided at the Clinic were outpatient services provided under the agreement.
- 7. The Applicant is a health care facility pursuant to Section 19a-630(1) of the Connecticut General Statutes ("C.G.S.").
- 8. Pursuant to Section 19a-638 of the C.G.S., each health care facility, which intends to terminate a health service offered by such facility, shall submit to OHCA a request to undertake such termination.
- 9. There is no capital expenditure associated with this proposal.

As the elimination of the outpatient psychiatric clinic for adults at this location is a termination of health care services, Stonington Institute, a health care facility or institution, is required to file a Letter of Intent and a Certificate of Need application with OHCA specific to this termination of services pursuant to Subsection (a) (3) of Section 19a-638 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Paolo Fiducia or Tillman Foster, at (860) 418-7001.

Sincerely

Cristine A. Yogel

Deputy Commissioner

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