

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH Office of Health Care Access

February 25, 2010

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

RE:

Certificate of Need Determination; Report Number 10-31543-DTR
Termination of licensed outpatient substance abuse services at 83 Boston Post Road in
Waterford

Dear Mr. Aniskovich:

On February 9, 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 substance abuse services at 83 Boston Post Road, Waterford, Connecticut, at no proposed capital expenditure. Please be advised that OHCA has reviewed your request and makes the following findings:

- 1. Stonington Institute ("Applicant") is a for-profit facility, headquartered at 75 Swantown Hill Road, North Stonington, Connecticut.
- 2. The Applicant currently operates a licensed outpatient substance abuse clinic at 83 Boston Post Road in Waterford. This service location is licensed by the Department of Public Health ("DPH") as a Facility for the Care or Treatment of Substance Abusive or Dependent Persons.
- 3. The Applicant also provides licensed services (both mental health day treatment and substance abuse services) at its 86 Boston Post Road in Waterford.
- 4. The Applicant is proposing to relocate the outpatient substance abuse services from 83 Boston Post Road, Waterford to 86 Boston Post Road, Waterford.
- 5. The Applicant contends that the proposal is necessary due to the expiration of the lease at 83 Boston Post Road, Waterford.
- 6. The Applicant contends that there is no change in service, and it currently serves adults ages 18-65 with a primary substance abuse at the 83 Boston Post Road location which is the same population served at 86 Boston Post Road, Waterford.

- 7. OHCA finds that he Applicant is terminating outpatient substance abuse services at 83 Boston Post Road, Waterford.
- 8. The Applicant is a health care facility pursuant to Section 19a-630(1) of the Connecticut General Statutes ("C.G.S.").
- 9. 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.
- 10. There is no capital expenditure associated with this proposal.

As the elimination of the outpatient substance abuse services at 83 Boston Post Road, Waterford 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. Vogel
Deputy Commissioner

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