

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH Office of Health Care Access

November 7, 2013

VIA FACSIMILE ONLY

Leif O. Nordberg M.D. Leif O. Nordberg M.D. LLC 166 West Broad Street Suite 401 Stamford, CT 06902

RE: Certificate of Need Determination; Report Number: 13-31867-DTR
Leif O. Nordberg M.D. LLC
Relocation of Office with Addition of Second Operating Room and Second Specialty

Dear Dr. Nordberg:

On October 7, 2013, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your completed Certificate of Need ("CON") determination request on behalf of Leif O. Nordberg M.D. LLC ("Applicant") with respect to whether a CON is required for the applicant to relocate its office and add an additional operating room and specialty.

The Applicant is currently licensed by the Department of Public Health as an Out-Patient Surgical Facility and provides plastic surgery procedures out of a single operating room located at 166 West Broad Street, Suite 401, Stamford, Connecticut. The building which houses the Applicant's office is set to be demolished within the next two years. Therefore, the Applicant wishes to relocate its office within the City of Stamford and add a second operating room and a second specialty such as Orthopedics. The Applicant's current payer mix consists of self-pay patients and commercial payers. Neither the population served nor the payer mix will change as a result of the Applicant's proposal.

There is currently no CON requirement for the addition of a specialty by an outpatient surgical facility.

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes § 19a-638 (a)(13), a CON is required for an "increase of two or more operating rooms within any three-year period, commencing on and after October 1, 2010, by an outpatient surgical facility...". Since the Applicant only intends to add a single additional operating room, a CON is not required.

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes § 19a-639c(a), "[a]ny health care facility that proposes to relocate a facility... shall demonstrate to the satisfaction of the office that the population served by the health care facility and the payer mix will not substantially change as a result of the facility's proposed relocation." The Applicant has sufficiently demonstrated that its proposed relocation will not result in a substantial change to the population it currently serves or its current payer mix. Therefore, a CON *is not required* for the Applicant to relocate its office.

Leif O. Nordberg M.D. LLC CON Determination Report Number: 13-31867-DTR

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Kimberly R. Martone

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Director of Operations, OHCA

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