

#### STATE OF CONNECTICUT

# DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH Office of Health Care Access

September 1, 2015

#### IN THE MATTER OF:

An Application for a Certificate of Need filed Pursuant to Section 19a-639a, C.G.S. by:

Notice of Final Decision Office of Health Care Access Docket Number: 15-31964-MDF

Shoreline Wellness Behavioral Health Clinic, LLC

Modification of Previous Certificate of Need Authorization 14-31964-CON

To:

Cara Powers

Shoreline Wellness Behavioral Health Clinic, LLC

415 Main Street

West Haven, CT 06516

Dear Ms. Powers:

Enclosed please find a copy of the decision rendered in the above-referenced matter pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes § 4-181a(b).

Sincerely,

Kimberly R. Martone Director of Operations

Enclosure KRM:KH:bko

Cc: Sandra Bauer, DPH licensing



## Department of Public Health Office of Health Care Access Certificate of Need Application

#### **Final Decision**

## Modification of a Previously Authorized Certificate of Need

Applicant:

Shoreline Wellness Behavioral Health Clinic, LLC

415 Main Street, West Haven, CT 06516

**Docket Number:** 

15-31964-MDF

**Project Title:** 

Modification of Previous Certificate of Need Authorization

14-31964-CON

**Procedural History:** On July 14, 2014, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") granted a Certificate of Need ("CON") to Shoreline Wellness Behavioral Health Clinic, LLC issued under Docket Number 14-31964-CON, for the establishment of a freestanding behavioral health clinic in West Haven, Connecticut ("Final Decision").

Thereafter, OHCA discovered that a clerical error had been made with respect to the type of license being requested by the Applicant. As a result, this Modification is being issued to correct the clerical error. Deputy Commissioner Brancifort has reviewed the entire record in this matter.

### Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law

1. On July 14, 2014, OHCA granted a CON to Shoreline Wellness Behavioral Health Clinic, LLC issued under Docket Number 14-31964-CON, for the establishment of a freestanding behavioral health clinic in West Haven, Connecticut

- 2. As stated in Finding of Fact 33 of the Final Decision, Shoreline Wellness Behavioral Health Clinic, LLC was seeking Psychiatric Outpatient Clinic for Adults and Facility for the Care or Treatment of Substance Abusive or Dependent Persons licensure from DPH and Outpatient Psychiatric Clinic for Children licensure from the Department of Children and Families.
- 3. The Final Decision erroneously limited the CON approval to the establishment of a behavioral health clinic.
- 4. OHCA's intent was to grant the CON for the establishment of a Psychiatric Outpatient Clinic for Adults and Facility for the Care or Treatment of Substance Abusive or Dependent Persons.

#### **Discussion**

Connecticut General Statutes § 4-181a (c) provides in relevant part that "[t]he agency may, without further proceedings, modify a final decision to correct any clerical error." OHCA erroneously limited the approval in this matter to the establishment of a behavioral health clinic. In fact, OHCA's intent was to grant the CON for the establishment of a Psychiatric Outpatient Clinic for Adults and Facility for the Care or Treatment of Substance Abusive or Dependent Persons.

#### Order

Based upon the foregoing, the CON issued under Docket Number 14-31964-CON is hereby modified to reflect an approval for the establishment of a Psychiatric Outpatient Clinic for Adults and Facility for the Care or Treatment of Substance Abusive or Dependent Persons.

9/1/15 Date

Janet M. Brancifort, MPH, RRT

Deputy Commissioner