

## STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## OFFICE OF HEALTH CARE ACCESS

M. JODI RELL GOVERNOR CRISTINE A. VOGEL COMMISSIONER

July 1, 2004

Mary S. Nescott Director of Quality Management Valley Mental Health Center, Inc. 435 E. Main Street Ansonia, CT 06401

RE: Certificate of Need Determination; Report Number 04- 30320-DTR Valley Mental Health Center, Inc.
CON Exemption Pursuant to Section 19a-639b, C.G.S.
Establish an Adult Substance Abuse Outpatient license

Dear Ms. Nescott:

The Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") is in receipt of your request for exemption from the Certificate of Need ("CON") process, pursuant to Section 19a-639b of the Connecticut General Statutes ("C.G.S."), for the establishment of an Adult Substance Abuse Outpatient license at 435 E. Main Street in Ansonia.

Upon review of the information contained in the request, OHCA finds the following:

- 1. Valley Mental Health Center is non-profit facility providing a full range of clinical, case management, social rehabilitation, vocational rehabilitation and residential programming at 435 E. Main Street in Ansonia.
- 2. Valley Mental Health Center is proposing to establish an Adult Substance Abuse Outpatient license at 435 E. Main Street in Ansonia.
- 3. The Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services ("DMHAS"), in a letter dated June 7, 2004, from Commissioner Thomas A. Kirk, Jr., Ph.D., recommends an exemption under CGS Section 19a-639b to obtain a substance and dependence facility outpatient license.

4. There is no associated capital expenditure with this proposal.

Based on the above findings, OHCA has determined that establishment of an Adult Substance Abuse Outpatient license at 435 E. Main Street in Ansonia meets the exemption requirements of Section 19a-639b of the Connecticut General Statutes and, therefore, is exempt from OHCA's CON process.

Thank you for providing information to OHCA regarding this proposal. If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Paolo Fiducia, Associate Health Care Analyst, Utilization Review and Forecasting, at (860) 418-7035.

Sincerely,

Signed by Cristine A. Vogel Commissioner

C: Honorable Thomas A. Kirk, Jr., Ph.D., Commissioner, DMHAS Sandra Bauer, Health Processing Technician, DPH, DCBR Al Bidorini, Director, OPAS, DMHAS

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