

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

OFFICE OF HEALTH CARE ACCESS

M. JODI RELL GOVERNOR CRISTINE A. VOGEL COMMISSIONER

November 18, 2004

Denis Olsen President/CEO Harbor Health Services, Inc. 14 Sycamore Way Branford, CT 06405

RE: Certificate of Need Determination; Report Number 04-30401-DTR Harbor Health Services, Inc.

CON Exemption Pursuant to Section 19a-639b, C.G.S.

Establish Substance Abuse Outpatient Treatment Program

Dear Mr. Olsen:

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."), to obtain an outpatient substance abuse treatment license at 14 Sycamore Way in Branford.

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

- 1. Harbor Health Services, Inc. is a non-profit facility providing primary substance abuse treatment under an existing multi-service psychiatric outpatient license at the above location.
- 2. Harbor Health Services, Inc. is proposing to obtain an outpatient substance abuse treatment license at 14 Sycamore Way in Branford.
- 3. The Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services ("DMHAS"), in a letter dated November 1, 2004, from Commissioner Thomas A. Kirk, Jr., Ph.D., recommends an exemption under CGS Section 19a-639b for Harbor Health Services, Inc. to provide outpatient substance abuse services under a substance abuse dependence facility license at 14 Sycamore Way in Branford.

- 4. DMHAS states that the services will serve the towns of Branford, East Haven, Guilford, Madison, North Branford and North Haven, and a total of 96 unduplicated clients with a primary substance abuse disorder were served in the past year.
- 5. The total capital expenditure associated with the proposal is \$0.

Based on the above findings, OHCA has determined that establishing an outpatient substance abuse treatment program at 14 Sycamore Way in Branford 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, Certification, Financial Analysis and Forecasting, at (860) 418-7001.

Sincerely,

Signed by Cristine A. Vogel Commissioner

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