

STATE OF CONNECTICUT OFFICE OF HEALTH CARE ACCESS

M. JODI RELL GOVERNOR CRISTINE A. VOGEL COMMISSIONER

April 8, 2005

Cindy Perjon, LCSW Director Behavioral Health Family and Children's Agency, Inc. 9 Mott Avenue Norwalk, CT 06850

RE: Certificate of Need Determination; Report Number 05-30467-DTR
Family and Children's Agency, Inc.
CON Exemption Pursuant to Section 19a-639b, C.G.S.
Establish Psychiatric Outpatient Clinic for Adults with Multi Service component

Dear Ms. Perjon:

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 provide adult outpatient psychiatric services at 149 Water Street in Norwalk.

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

- 1. Family and Children's Agency, Inc. is a non-profit facility providing adult outpatient psychiatric services at 9 Mott Avenue in Norwalk, and outpatient addiction counseling services at Project Reward at 175 Flax Hill Road in Norwalk.
- 2. Family and Children's Agency, Inc. is proposing to provide adult outpatient psychiatric services with multi service component at 149 Water Street in Norwalk. Providing this service will improve access to clients on limited income without transportation.
- 3. The Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services ("DMHAS"), in a letter dated February 10, 2005, from Commissioner Thomas A. Kirk, Jr., Ph.D., recommends an exemption under CGS Section 19a-639 for Family and Children's Agency, Inc. to provide outpatient psychiatric services for adults at 149 Water Street in Norwalk.
- 4. DMHAS states that expanding to South Norwalk will help serve underserved population on limited income without transportation.

An Equal Opportunity Employer 410 Capitol Ave., MS#13HCA, P.O.Box 340308, Hartford, CT 06134-0308 Telephone: (860) 418-7001 Toll-Free: 1-800-797-9688 Fax: (860) 418-7053 5. The total capital expenditure associated with the proposal is \$7,500.

Based on the above findings, OHCA has determined that providing adult outpatient psychiatric services at 149 Water Street in Norwalk 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 Al Bidorini, Director, OPAS, DMHAS Donna C. Stimpson, Planning Specialist, DMHAS

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