

## STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## OFFICE OF HEALTH CARE ACCESS

M. JODI RELL GOVERNOR CRISTINE A. VOGEL COMMISSIONER

June 30, 2005

Robert D. Pidgeon Chief Executive Officer Community Solutions, Inc. 4 Griffin Road North Windsor, CT 06095

RE: Certificate of Need Determination; Report Number 05-30523-DTR
Termination of General Assistance Behavioral Health Programs in Norwalk, Hartford,
New Haven, Waterbury and Danbury

Dear Mr. Pidgeon:

On May 31, 2005 and June 24, 2005, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your Certificate of Need ("CON") Determination requests concerning the proposal of Community Solutions, Inc. to terminate it general assistance behavioral health programs in Norwalk, Hartford, New Haven, Waterbury and Danbury, with no associated capital expenditure.

OHCA has reviewed the information contained in the request and makes the following findings:

- 1. Community Solutions, Inc. is a not for profit facility operating behavioral health programs at various sites in Connecticut.
- 2. Community Solutions, Inc. is a health care facility or institution as defined in Section 19a-630 of the Connecticut General Statutes ("C.G.S.").
- 3. Community Solutions, Inc. is proposing to terminate the following general assistance behavioral health programs located at:
  - Norwalk Behavioral Health Services 57 West Rocks Road Norwalk, CT 06851
  - Greater Hartford Multiservice Center 136 Collins Street Hartford, CT 06105

- Elm City Counseling 850 Grand Avenue New Haven, CT 06511
- Chase Center
   21 Cliff Street
   Waterbury, CT 06710
- Danbury AIC
   145 Main Street
   Danbury, CT 06810
- 4. Section 19a-638 (a)(3) of the Connecticut General Statutes states "Each health care facility or institution which intends to terminate a health service offered by such facility or institution ... shall submit to the office, prior to the proposed date of such termination ... a request to undertake such termination ..."

Based on the above findings, OHCA has determined Community Solutions, Inc., a health care facility or institution, is required to seek and obtain Certificate of Need approval for the termination of general assistance behavioral health programs in Norwalk, Hartford, New Haven, Waterbury and Danbury, pursuant to Section 19a-638(a)(3) of the Connecticut General Statutes.

OHCA considers the submission of information received on June 24, 2005 as the Letter of Intent for this matter; therefore Community Solutions, Inc. may file a completed CON application with OHCA between August 23, 2005, and October 22, 2005. The CON application is being mailed to your attention separately.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please contact Paolo Fiducia, Associate Health Care Analyst at (860) 418-7035.

Sincerely,

Signed by Cristine A. Vogel Commissioner

Copy: Sandra Bauer, Health Processing Technician, DPH, DCBR