

STATE OF CONNECTICUT OFFICE OF HEALTH CARE ACCESS

M. JODI RELL GOVERNOR CRISTINE A. VOGEL COMMISSIONER

June 30, 2005

Timothy Crimmins Director of Business Development Stonington Institute 234A Bank Street, 5th Floor New London, CT 06320

RE: CON Determination 05-30537-DTR Stonington Institute Proposal to Consolidate License for Satellite Location under Hospital for Mentally III Persons License

Dear Mr. Crimmins:

On June 23, 2005, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your letter at the request of the Department of Public Health ("DPH") to have the Facility for the Care or Treatment of Substance Abusive or Dependent Persons license at 83 Boston Post Road, Waterford listed as a satellite clinic under the Hospital for Mentally III Persons License at 75 Swantown Hill Road, North Stonington.

OHCA staff has reviewed the CON Determination form pursuant to Section 19a-643-74 of OHCA's Regulations and has made the findings listed below:

- 1. On April 13, 2005, OHCA issued a CON Determination 05-30454-DTR to Stonington Behavioral Health, Inc. d/b/a Stonington Institute stating that Stonington Institute's main license is the Hospital for Mentally Ill Persons. The Waterford and two Groton locations would become satellites of the North Stonington campus and operate under the Hospital for Mentally Ill Persons license.
- 2. On June 15, 2005, OHCA issued a CON Determination 05-30522-DTR to Stonington Institute to relocate the Intensive Outpatient Program from 86 Boston Post Road, Waterford to 83 Boston Post Road, Waterford.
- 3. On June 23, 2005, OHCA received a letter from Stonington Institute at the request of DPH to give up the free-standing license currently on 83 Boston Post Road, Waterford, Facility for the Care or Treatment of Substance Abusive or Dependent Persons and have 83 Boston

Post Road, Waterford, licensed as a satellite clinic under the Hospital license's as a Hospital for Mentally Ill Persons, at 75 Swantown Hill Road, North Stonington.

- 4. There is no program change, expansion, reduction, or new service and no capital expenditure associated with the proposal.
- 5. Re-licensure does not permit any expansion or reduction of programming, nor does it change the nature or applicable regulations associated with the levels of care currently offered under the separate licenses.
- 6. Section 19a-638 of the Connecticut General Statutes ("C.G.S."), states, in part, that each health care facility or institution, that intends to introduce any additional function or service into its program of health care or terminate a health service offered by such facility shall submit to the office, prior to the proposed date of the institution or termination of such function or service, a request for permission to under take or terminate such function or service.

Based on these findings and pursuant to Section 19a-638, OHCA has determined that Stonington Institute does not intend to change, expand, reduce or introduce a new service. CON approval from OHCA is not required for Stonington Institute to pursue consolidation of its licensure with the Department of Public Health.

OHCA's determination that CON approval is not required is conditional upon receipt of a copy of the license upon issuance by the Department of Public Health. Please request that a copy of the license be forwarded to OHCA.

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

Sincerely,

Signed by Cristine A. Vogel Commissioner

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