

STATE OF CONNECTICUT OFFICE OF HEALTH CARE ACCESS

M. JODI RELL GOVERNOR CRISTINE A. VOGEL COMMISSIONER

August 8, 2005

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

Re: Certificate of Need Determination, Report Number 05-30563-DTR Stonington Behavioral Health, Inc. d/b/a Stonington Institute Addition of Service Locations in Danielson and Willimantic

Dear Mr. Crimmins:

On August 3, 2005, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your Certificate of Need ("CON") Determination request for the addition of service locations in Danielson and Willimantic.

Please be advised that OHCA has reviewed your request and makes the following findings:

- 1. Stonington Institute is a for-profit substance abuse facility licensed as a Hospital for Mentally Ill Persons located 75 Swantown Hill Road in North Stonington.
- 2. Stonington Institute currently offers Outpatient, Day and Evening Mental Health and Substances Abuse Treatment at sites in Waterford and Groton, which are licensed as satellites under its Hospital for Mentally III Persons license.
- Stonington Institute proposes to add Outpatient, Day and Evening Mental Health and Substances Abuse Treatment at two new service locations. One location would be at 37 Commerce Avenue, Danielson, Connecticut and the other would be 1491 West Main Street, Willimantic, Connecticut.
- 4. In June 2005 Stonington Institute entered into three separate agreements with the State of Connecticut Judicial Branch, Court Support Services Division to provide Adult Behavioral Services.

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- 5. Payer sources for the new sites will include the Judicial branch, as a payer of last resort, as well as third party insurance plans that insure individuals referred to the programs.
- 6. The estimated capital cost associated with this proposal is \$81,000.
- 7. Section 19a-638 of the Connecticut General Statutes states that each health care facility or institution or state health care facility or institution which intends to introduce any additional function or service into its program of health care shall submit to the office, prior to the proposed date of the institution of such function or service, a request for permission to undertake such function or service.

Based on the above findings, OHCA has determined that the addition of two service locations by Stonington Institute represents an additional service and will require Certificate of Need authorization pursuant to Section 19a-638 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

Please be advised that your letter dated August 3, 2005, requesting a CON Determination will serve as your Letter of Intent. Your Certificate of Need Application form will be sent to you under separate cover. If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Laurie Greci at (860) 418-7001.

Sincerely,

Signed by Cristine A. Vogel Commissioner

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

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