

STATE OF CONNECTICUT OFFICE OF HEALTH CARE ACCESS

M. JODI RELL GOVERNOR CRISTINE A. VOGEL COMMISSIONER

Mark Masselli President/CEO Community Health Center, Inc. 635 Main Street Middletown, CT 06457

Re: Certificate of Need Determination; Report Number: 05-30597-EXM Community Health Center, Inc. CON Exemption Pursuant to Section 19a-639(d) of the C.G.S. Establishment and Operation of a Dental Services Site in Stamford, CT

Dear Mr. Masselli:

On October 4, 2005, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your request for exemption from the Certificate of Need ("CON") process, pursuant to Section 19a-639(d) of the Connecticut General Statutes ("C.G.S.") for the establishment and operation of a dental services site in Stamford, CT.

Please be advised that OHCA has reviewed the information submitted and makes the following findings:

- 1. Community Health Center, Inc. ("CHC") is a private, non-profit, federally qualified health center, which is licensed by the Connecticut Department of Public Health.
- 2. CHC provides medical and dental primary care services at its several facilities located throughout Connecticut.
- 3. CHC serves the primary health care needs of those individuals who reside in federally recognized health professional shortage areas.
- 4. CHC is proposing to establish and provide dental services at 587 Elm Street in Stamford.

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- 5. There is no proposed capital expenditure for the project.
- 6. The start date for the proposed dental services is in late October or early November, 2005.

Based on the above findings, OHCA has determined that the proposed project meets the requirements of Section 19a-639(d) of the Connecticut General Statutes and is, therefore, exempt from OHCA's Certificate of Need process.

Thank you for providing information to OHCA regarding this proposal. If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Jack A. Huber, OHCA Health Care Analyst, of the Certification, Financial Analysis and Forecasting Unit at (860) 418-7034.

Sincerely,

Signed by Cristine A. Vogel Commissioner

C: Rose McClellan, Health Processing Technician, DPH, DCBR

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