## STATE OF CONNECTICUT OFFICE OF HEALTH CARE ACCESS



M. JODI RELL GOVERNOR CRISTINE A. VOGEL COMMISSIONER

March 1, 2006

Hildegarde Paris Executive Officer North American Family Institute, Inc. 4 Forest Park Drive Farmington, CT 06032

RE: Certificate of Need Determination; Report Number 06-30689-DTR
North American Family Institute, Inc.
CON Exemption Request Pursuant to Section 19a-639b, C.G.S.
Establish Substance Abuse Outpatient Treatment Program at the Multi-Systemic Treatment After Care Program

Dear Ms. Paris:

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 establish a substance abuse outpatient treatment program at the Multi-Systemic Treatment After Care Program at 1331 Silas Deane Highway in Wethersfield.

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

- 1. North American Family Institute, Inc. ("NAFI") is a non-profit facility located at 4 Forest Park Drive in Farmington, Connecticut.
- 2. NAFI is proposing to establish a substance abuse outpatient treatment program at the Multi-Systemic Treatment After Care Program at 1331 Silas Deane Highway in Wethersfield.
- 3. The program primarily serves youth who have been identified with behavior or substance abuse disorders and who have been adjudicated delinquent by the State of Connecticut Juvenile Court.

- 4. The proposal is intended to serve the whole State of Connecticut.
- 5. The Department of Children and Families ("DCF"), in a letter dated December 9, 2005, from Commissioner Darlene Dunbar, MSW, endorses the proposal and the waiver of the CON requirements, pursuant to Section 19a-639b, C.G.S.
- 6. DCF states that this program will assist in addressing the significant need for substance abuse services in the adjudicated juvenile population.
- 7. The total capital expenditure associated with the proposal is \$0.

Based on the above findings, OHCA has determined that North American Family Institute, Inc.'s request to establish a substance abuse outpatient treatment program at the Multi-Systemic Treatment After Care Program at 1331 Silas Deane Highway in Wethersfield, Connecticut, meets the exemption requirements of Section 19a-639b of the Connecticut General Statutes and, therefore, is exempt from OHCA's CON process. Termination of these services would require CON approval, pursuant to Section 19a-638, C.G.S.

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 Darlene Dunbar, MSW, Commissioner, DCF Sandra Bauer, Health Processing Technician, DPH, DCBR

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