

STATE OF CONNECTICUT OFFICE OF HEALTH CARE ACCESS

M. JODI RELL GOVERNOR CRISTINE A. VOGEL COMMISSIONER

May 31, 2006

John Tarutis Executive Director Saint Regis Health Care Center 1354 Chapel Street New Haven, CT 06510

Re: CON Determination Report Number 06-30752-DTR Saint Regis Health Center, d/b/a Sister Anne Virginie Grimes Health Center Outpatient Therapy Services

Dear Mr. Tarutis:

The Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") has reviewed your request to establish outpatient rehabilitation services at Saint Regis Health Center, d/b/a Sister Anne Virginie Grimes Health Center ("Center"), located at 1354 Chapel Street, New Haven, Connecticut, and makes the following findings:

- 1. The Center is a nonprofit 125-bed Skilled Nursing Home facility located at 1354 Chapel Street, New Haven, Connecticut.
- 2. The Center currently provides inpatient rehabilitation therapy to its residents.
- 3. The Center has been caring for an increasing number of short-term patients who are returning home to their prior living arrangement or to an alternative site, if needed. The Center proposes to provide outpatient rehabilitation therapy for those prior patients whom may benefit from continued therapy.
- 4. The current population of patients who receive therapy services are 65 years of age and older and usually have undergone an orthopedic surgical procedure.

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- 5. Outpatient services will be provided under a physician order and by licensed physical, occupational, and speech therapists or assistants, if allowed by law.
- 6. The total capital expenditure associated with this proposal is \$1,500 for medical and non-medical equipment.
- 7. According to Section 19a-639a of the Connecticut General Statutes, Residential Care Homes and Nursing Homes are exempt from Certificate of Need review by OHCA.

Based on these findings, OHCA has determined that Certificate of Need approval is not required from OHCA for St. Regis Health Center, d/b/a Sister Anne Virginie Grimes Health Center, to proceed with its proposal to offer outpatient rehabilitation services. Please be advised that according to Section 19a-639a, C.G.S., 10 to 60 days prior to initiating services, you must register this service with OHCA. A copy of the registration form is attached for your convenience.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Laurie Greci at (860) 418-7001.

Sincerely,

Signed by Cristine A. Vogel Commissioner

## c: Rose McLellan, Licensing Examination Assistant, DHSR, DPH

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