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Marianne Urbanski, DMD
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RE: Certificate of Need Determination Report Number 06-30852-DTR
Marianne Urbanski, DMD
Acquisition of i-CAT Cone Beam 3-D Dental Imaging System

Dear Dr. Urbanski:

On October 30, 2006, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your Certificate of Need ("CON") Determination request concerning the acquisition of the i-CAT Cone Beam Computed Tomography 3-D Dental Imaging System ("i-CAT") at an associated capital expenditure of \$180,000. OHCA has reviewed the information contained in your request and makes the following findings:

1. Dr. Marianne Urbanski is a licensed dentist with a private dental office located at 546 South Broad Street, Meriden, Connecticut.
2. The i-CAT will be acquired for use within the private dental office.
3. The i-CAT consists of both the machine itself and a desktop computer which operates the machine. The machine consists of an x-ray source and an amorphous silicon flat panel. Once the acquisition of the scan has been completed, the software in the desktop computer begins the reconstruction of the acquired image data. The resulting computed tomogram allows the axial, coronal, and sagittal view of the patient's head to be displayed on the computer screen. *(Source: iCAT Operator's Manual, Imaging Sciences International, Inc. August 1, 2006)*
4. The i-CAT is primarily used for imaging for dental implants or for orthodontic treatment. As these procedures are generally considered cosmetic, i-CAT scans must be paid for directly by the patients and are not generally covered under medical insurance. *(Source: CON Determination Report 06-30814-DTR, December 8, 2006)*
5. The associated capital expenditure for the i-CAT is \$180,000.

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6. Section 19a-638 of the Connecticut General Statutes (“C.G.S.”) requires CON approval, regardless of cost, for anyone acquiring, purchasing or accepting donation of a CT scanner, PET scanner, PET/CT scanner, MRI, cineangiography equipment, a linear accelerator or other similar equipment utilizing new technology that is being introduced to the state.

Based on the above findings, OHCA has determined that you are required to seek and obtain Certificate of Need approval to acquire and operate the i-CAT Cone Beam Computed Tomography 3-D Dental Imaging System at your private dental office, pursuant to Section 19a-638 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

OHCA considers the submission of information received on October 30, 2006, as the Letter of Intent for this matter. Therefore, you may file a completed CON application with OHCA between December 29, 2006, and February 27, 2007. The CON application is being mailed to your attention separately.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please contact Laurie K. Greci, Associate Research Analyst at (860) 418-7001.

Sincerely,

Signed by Cristine A. Vogel
Commissioner

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