

STATE OF CONNECTICUT OFFICE OF HEALTH CARE ACCESS

M. JODI RELL GOVERNOR CRISTINE A. VOGEL COMMISSIONER

March 28, 2007

Kim Beauregard CEO Inter-Community Mental Health Group, Inc. 281 Main Street East Hartford, CT 06118

 RE: Certificate of Need Determination; Report Number 07-30935-EXM Inter-Community Mental Health Group, Inc. CON Exemption Pursuant to Section 19a-639b, C.G.S. Establish a Substance Abuse Outpatient Treatment Program for Adults at 281 Main Street in East Hartford

Dear Ms. Beauregard:

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 for adults at 281 Main Street, East Hartford.

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

- Inter-Community Mental Health Group, Inc. ("ICMHG") is a non-profit facility providing adult outpatient psychiatric treatment at various locations in Connecticut. ICMHG has a current contract with The Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services.
- 2. ICMHG is proposing to establish a substance abuse outpatient treatment program for adults at 281 Main Street, East Hartford.
- 3. The Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services ("DMHAS"), in a letter dated March 22, 2007, from Deputy Commissioner Peter B. Rockholz, M.S.S.W., recommends an exemption under CGS Section 19a-639b for Inter-Community Mental Health Group, Inc. to provide substance abuse outpatient treatment services for adults at 281 Main

An Equal Opportunity Employer 410 Capitol Ave., MS#13HCA, P.O.Box 340308, Hartford, CT 06134-0308 Telephone: (860) 418-7001 Toll-Free: 1-800-797-9688 Fax: (860) 418-7053 Street, East Hartford. The facility will serve the towns of East Hartford, Marlborough, Rocky Hill, Wethersfield, Glastonbury and Newington.

- 4. DMHAS states that ICMHG currently provides mental health services to persons having a primary mental illness and a secondary substance use disorder. ICMHG plans to provide treatment to persons with a primary substance use disorder as well as those with co-occurring disorders (substance abuse and mental illness). The facility will provide treatment to 180 unduplicated adults annually.
- 5. The total capital expenditure associated with the proposal is \$0.

Based on the above findings, OHCA has determined that Inter-Community Mental Health Group, Inc.'s request to establish a substance abuse outpatient treatment program for adults at 281 Main Street, East Hartford 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: Peter B. Rockholz, M.S.S.W., Deputy Commissioner, DMHAS Sandra Bauer, Health Processing Technician, DPH, DCBR Al Bidorini, Director, OPAS, DMHAS Donna C. Stimpson, Planning Specialist, DMHAS

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