

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

OFFICE OF HEALTH CARE ACCESS

M. JODI RELL GOVERNOR CRISTINE A. VOGEL COMMISSIONER

September 7, 2007

Ms. Anne U. Stone Consultant 14 Bittersweet Lane Farmington, CT 06032

RE: Certificate of Need Determination 07-31032-DTR Greater Bridgeport Community Mental Health Center

Dear Ms. Stone:

On September 5, 2007, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your Certificate of Need ("CON") Determination request concerning the proposal of the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services ("DMHAS") to install an automatic sprinkler system and new ceilings and light fixtures at a total capital expenditure of \$2,385,000 at DMHAS's Greater Bridgeport Community Mental Health Center in Bridgeport, Connecticut. OHCA has reviewed your request and makes the following findings:

- 1. The Greater Bridgeport Community Mental Health Center, a facility within DMHAS, provides inpatient and outpatient services to persons with serious types of mental illness or substance abuse in Bridgeport, Connecticut.
- 2. DMHAS is undertaking the installation of an automatic sprinkler system and new ceilings and light fixtures as part of a fire prevention upgrade program.
- 3. The total capital expenditure related to this project is \$2,385,000.
- 4. This project will not impact any of the services currently provided at this facility.
- 5. The source of funding for this project is State of Connecticut General Obligation Bond Funds.

Based on the above findings, OHCA has determined that the installation of an automatic sprinkler system and new ceilings and light fixtures as part of a fire prevention upgrade program at the Greater Bridgeport Community Mental Health Center at a total capital expenditure of \$2,385,000 does not require OHCA approval as the total capital expenditure is below the statutory threshold and services are not impacted in association with this project.

If you have any questions concerning the above, please feel free to contact Karen Roberts, Compliance Officer, at (860) 418-7041.

Sincerely,

Signed by Commissioner Vogel on September 7, 2007

Cristine A. Vogel Commissioner CAV:kr