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M. JODI RELL GOVERNOR CRISTINE A. VOGEL COMMISSIONER

October 11, 2007

Sharon Laliberte Director of Quality and Risk Management United Community & Family Services, Inc. 34 East Town Street Norwich, CT 06360

RE: Certificate of Need Determination; Report Number 07-31037-EXM United Community & Family Services, Inc. Establish an Outpatient Clinic in Jewett City

Dear Ms. Laliberte:

On September 12, 2007 and October 5, 2007, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your application for exemption from the Certificate of Need ("CON") process for the establishment of an outpatient clinic at 76 Main Street, Jewett City, Connecticut.

Please be advised that OHCA has reviewed the information submitted in your request and makes the following findings:

- 1. United Community & Family Services, Inc. ("UCFS") is a private, non-profit, Federally Qualified Health Center ("FQHC") located at 34 East Town Street, Norwich, Connecticut.
- 2. United Community & Family Services, Inc. is proposing to establish an outpatient clinic at 76 Main Street in Jewett City, CT.
- 3. United Community & Family Services, Inc. receives funds from the Department of Public Health.
- 4. United Community & Family Services, Inc. site is located in a designated medically underserved population area.
- 5. United Community & Family Services, Inc. will offer primary medical outpatient services.

6. The total capital expenditure associated with the proposal is \$150,000.

Based on the above findings, OHCA determines that the proposal of the United Community & Family Services, Inc. to establish an outpatient clinic located at 76 Main Street, Jewett City, Connecticut meets the requirements of Section 19a-639(d) of the Connecticut General Statutes, and, therefore, is exempt from OHCA's Certificate of Need process.

Thank you for advising OHCA of your plans. If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Paolo Fiducia, Associate Health Care Analyst at (860) 418-7001.

Sincerely,

Signed by Commissioner Vogel on October 11, 2007

Cristine A. Vogel Commissioner

Cc: Rose McLellan, Licensing Examination Assistant, BHSE, DPH

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