

## STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## OFFICE OF HEALTH CARE ACCESS

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January 30, 2008

J. Bryan Simmons
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RE: Certificate of Need Determination; Report Number 08-31087-DTR Hartford Hospital Establishment of a new Sleep Disorder Center in Bloomfield

## Dear Mr. Simmons:

On January 22, 2008, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received Hartford Hospital's ("Hospital") request for a Certificate of Need Determination regarding the establishment of a new Sleep Disorder Center at 533 Cottage Grove Road in Bloomfield. Upon review of the information contained in the request, OHCA finds the following:

- 1. Hartford Hospital ("Hospital") is an acute care hospital located at 80 Seymour Street in Hartford, CT.
- 2. The Hospital currently operates a six-bed Sleep Disorder Center ("Center") on its main campus, on the 11<sup>th</sup> floor of the High Building. The Center was accredited in March 2007 by the American Academy of Sleep Medicine.
- 3. The Hospital is proposing to establish a new four-bed Sleep Center at 533 Cottage Grove Road in Bloomfield.
- 4. The new Sleep Center is intended to serve citizens of the cities and towns that comprise the Hospital's primary and secondary service areas.

- 5. The Hospital will bill for the proposed services.
- 6. The proposed capital expenditure for the project is \$170,000.
- 7. Section 19a-638 of the Connecticut General Statutes ("C.G.S.") states, in part, that the introduction of any additional function or service requires authorization from OHCA.

Based on the above findings, OHCA has determined that Hartford Hospital is proposing to establish a new Sleep Center in Bloomfield, pursuant to Section 19a-638 of the Connecticut General Statutes. Therefore, CON approval is required.

OHCA considers the submission of information received on January 22, 2008, as the Letter of Intent for this matter; therefore, Hartford Hospital may file a completed CON application with OHCA between March 22, 2008 and May 21, 2008. The CON application is being mailed to your attention separately. If you have any questions regarding the above, please contact Kim Martone, Certificate of Need Supervisor, at (860) 418-7001.

Sincerely,

Signed by Commissioner Vogel on January 30, 2008

Cristine A. Vogel Commissioner

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