

## STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## OFFICE OF HEALTH CARE ACCESS

M. JODI RELL GOVERNOR CRISTINE A. VOGEL COMMISSIONER

August 7, 2008

Claudio Capone Director of Strategic and Business Planning The Hospital of Central Connecticut 100 Grand Street New Britain, CT 06050

Re: Certificate of Need Determination Report Number 08-31207-DTR
The Hospital of Central Connecticut
Proposal of Acquisition of a Fluoroscopy Room

Dear Mr. Capone:

On July 31, 2008, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received The Hospital of Central Connecticut's ("Hospital') completed Certificate of Need ("CON") Determination request regarding the acquisition of a Fluoroscopy Room at New Britain General Campus ("NBGC"), with an associated capital expenditure of \$969,850. OHCA has reviewed the information contained in your proposal in light of Section 19a-639a of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended by Public Act 08-14 and makes the following findings:

- 1. The Hospital's NBGC is an acute care hospital located at 100 Grand Street, New Britain, CT. The NBGC is a health care facility or institution as defined by Section 19a-630 of the Connecticut General Statutes ("C.G.S.").
- 2. NBGC is proposing to replace one of the three existing Fluoroscopy Room's ("Room"), which was originally installed in January of 1980, through acquisition of a new Fluoroscopy Room.
- 3. During the renovations associated with the proposed Room, the service will continue to operate through the use of the other two existing Rooms.

- 4. The cost of the proposal is as follows: \$729,850 for non-medical equipment, \$40,000 for a patient monitoring system and \$200,000 for the associated renovations, for a combined total capital expenditure of \$969,850.
- 5. The Hospital stated that this proposal will not result in any additional services provided or no permanent staffing.
- 6. Section 19a-639(3)(c), C.G.S. states that each person or provider, other than a health care or state health care facility or institution proposing to purchase, lease, accept donation of or replace (1) major medical equipment with a capital expenditure in excess of three million dollars, or (2) a CT scanner, PET scanner, PET/CT scanner, MRI scanner, cineangiography equipment, a linear accelerator or other similar equipment utilizing new technology that is being introduced to the state, shall submit a request for approval.

Based on the above findings, OHCA has determined that The Hospital of Central Connecticut is not proposing to acquire a CON regulated piece of imaging equipment and the proposed capital expenditure does not exceed \$3,000,000. Therefore, the proposal of The Hospital of Central Connecticut for the acquisition of a Fluoroscopy Room with associated renovations, at a total capital expenditure of \$969,850, does not require CON authorization.

Thank you for keeping OHCA informed of your plans regarding this proposal. If you have any questions regarding the above, please contact Steven W. Lazarus, Associate Health Care Analyst, at (860) 418-7012.

Sincerely,

Signed by Commissioner Vogel on August 7, 2008

Cristine A. Vogel Commissioner

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