

## STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## OFFICE OF HEALTH CARE ACCESS

M. JODI RELL GOVERNOR CRISTINE A. VOGEL COMMISSIONER

October 23, 2008

David M. Meyers, LCSW Executive Director Cornerstone, P.C. 1090 Main Street P.O. Box 567 Branford, CT 06405

RE: Certificate of Need Determination; Report Number 08-31247-DTR
Cornerstone, P.C.
Proposal to Re-licensure its Psychiatric Outpatient Clinic for Children in Branford

Dear Mr. Meyers:

On October 1, 2008, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your letter requesting a Certificate of Need ("CON") determination with respect to whether a Certificate of Need is required for your facility to continue providing outpatient mental health services for children and families along the shore of Connecticut.

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

- 1. Cornerstone, P.C. ("CPC") is a for-profit facility providing outpatient psychiatric treatment for children and their families at 1090 Main Street in Branford, Connecticut.
- 2. CPC currently provides outpatient psychiatric treatment for children and their families residing in the towns of Branford, North Branford, Northford, Guilford, Madison, Clinton, Durham, East Haven, New Haven, and Old Saybrook.
- 3. CPC is licensed as an outpatient psychiatric clinic for children by The Department of Children and Families ("DCF").

- 4. CPC is currently seeking re-licensure of its clinic from DCF.
- 5. CPC currently provides outpatient therapy (individual, group and family psychotherapy), psychological assessment (psychological testing, speech and language assessment, occupational therapy) and will continue to provide these services.
- 5. CPC does not hold and will not seek any of The Department of Public Health ("DPH") licenses.
- 6. CPC is the entity that is providing the services and is responsible for the billing of the services.
- 7. The capital expenditure associated with this proposal is \$0.

Based upon the foregoing, OHCA has determined that Certificate of Need approval is not required for Cornerstone, P.C. to request re-licensure of its outpatient psychiatric clinic for children license from DCF at 1090 Main Street in Branford, Connecticut. Prior CON approval is not required because CPC will continue to provide outpatient psychiatric services and is not proposing any additional functions or services. CPC is reminded, however, that 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 Commissioner Vogel on October 23, 2008

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