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Heather M. Gates
President/CEO
Community Health Resources, Inc.
995 Day Hill Road
Windsor, CT 06095

RE: Certificate of Need Determination; Report Number 09-31315-DTR
Community Health Resources, Inc.
Establish Emergency Mobile Psychiatric Services

Dear Ms. Gates:

On November 18, 2008, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your request for a Certificate of Need Determination for Community Health Resources, Inc. to provide emergency mobile psychiatric services to children and adolescents in Northeastern Connecticut. Upon review of the information contained in the request, OHCA finds the following:

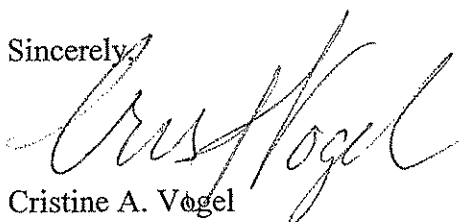
1. Community Health Resources ("CHR") is a multi-service community based nonprofit provider delivering services to communities east and north of Hartford, with headquarters located at 995 Day Hill Road, Windsor.
2. CHR is funded primarily by the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services ("DMHAS") and the Department of Children and Families ("DCF").
3. CHR operates the following services:
 - DCF and the Department of Public Health ("DPH") licensed outpatient clinics in Enfield, Bloomfield, Manchester and Vernon;
 - DPH licensed day treatment program in Enfield;
 - In-home programs funded by DCF in Eastern Connecticut as well as two DCF licensed group homes.
4. CHR currently operates the Emergency Mobile Psychiatric Service under contract with DCF for the following towns: Enfield, Granby, Somers, Suffield, East Windsor, Windsor Locks, Windsor, Bloomfield, East Granby, Stafford, East Hartford, Glastonbury, Hebron, Andover, Marlborough, Manchester, Vernon, Ellington, South Windsor, Tolland, and Bolton.

5. CHR is proposing to expand the Emergency Mobile Psychiatric Service to cover the towns of: Union, Woodstock, Thompson, Willington, Ashford, Eastford, Pomfret, Putnam, Coventry, Mansfield, Chaplin, Hampton, Brooklyn, Killingly, Windham, Scotland, Canterbury, Plainfield, and Sterling. This service is provided in the community in schools, emergency rooms, homes and other natural settings. This service is not licensed by DPH.
6. The current and targeted population to be served is children and families in behavioral health crisis.
7. CHR will be providing this service as a sub-contractor of United Community and Family Services ("UCFS"). UCFS holds the contract with DCF for the service.
8. The total cost associated with the proposed service is \$0.

Based on these findings, OHCA has determined that the expansion of Community Health Resource's existing emergency mobile psychiatric services to cover additional Eastern Connecticut towns, as a sub-contractor to United Community and Family Services, does not represent a new function or service pursuant to Section 19a-638, C.G.S and therefore OHCA Certificate of Need authorization is not required.

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

Sincerely,



Cristine A. Vogel
Commissioner

c: Rose McLellan, DPH,
Bert Plant, Director of Community Programs & Services, DCF

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