

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT**  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH  
*Office of Health Care Access*

October 22, 2009

Andrea J. Rynn  
Director Public and Government Relations  
Danbury Hospital  
24 Hospital Avenue  
Danbury, CT 06810

RE: Certificate of Need Determination; Report Number: 09-31471-DTR  
Danbury Hospital  
Proposal to Upgrade an Existing 1.5 Tesla-Strength MRI Scanner

Dear Ms. Rynn:

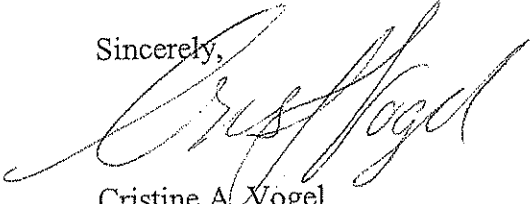
On September 28, 2009, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your Certificate of Need ("CON") Determination request concerning the proposal of Danbury Hospital to upgrade the hardware and software of its existing 1.5 tesla-strength MRI scanner at its main campus located at 24 Hospital Avenue in Danbury, Connecticut. The capital cost associated with the MRI upgrade is \$199,655. OHCA has reviewed the information contained in your CON Determination request letter and makes the following findings:

1. Danbury Hospital ("Petitioner") is an acute care general hospital that is located at 24 Hospital Avenue in Danbury Connecticut.
2. The Petitioner is proposing a hardware and software upgrade to its existing General Electric Horizon, 1.5 tesla-strength MRI scanner that is located at the Hospital.
3. The MRI hardware and software upgrade being purchased is the General Electric Signa Excite, 1.5 tesla-strength system.
4. The project's total capital cost is \$199,655.
5. The Petitioner has provided a vendor quotation that verifies the cost of the proposed systems upgrade.

Based on the aforementioned findings, OHCA determines that Certificate of Need approval is not required for Danbury Hospital to upgrade its 1.5 tesla-strength MRI scanner, at a total capital cost of \$199,655. Please be advised, however, that if Danbury Hospital changes the scope of the proposal or decides to replace the MRI scanner, Certificate of Need approval from OHCA may then be required.

Thank you for informing OHCA of your plans. If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Jack A. Huber, OHCA Health Care Analyst at (860) 418-7034.

Sincerely,



Cristine A. Vogel  
Deputy Commissioner

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