

## STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## OFFICE OF HEALTH CARE ACCESS

M. JODI RELL GOVERNOR CRISTINE A. VOGEL COMMISSIONER

April 16, 2009

Mr. James H. Adams 904 Manchester Road Glastonbury, CT 06033

RE:

Certificate of Need Determination Report Number 09-31313-DTR

Vernon Walk-In Medical Care Center

Change of ownership

Dear Mr. Adams:

On February 17, 2009, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your request for a Certificate of Need ("CON") Determination from OHCA regarding the change in the ownership structure of Vernon Walk-In Medical Care Center, Inc. in Vernon, Connecticut. Additional information was filed on April 13, 2009. OHCA has reviewed the information contained in your February 17, 2009 and April 13, 2009 submissions and makes the following findings:

- 1. OHCA finds that Vernon Walk In Medical Care Center, Inc. ("Applicant") currently holds a Department of Public Health Outpatient Clinic license (License #0295) for its location at 224 Hartford Turnpike in Vernon, Connecticut.
- 2. OHCA finds that Vernon Walk In Medical Care Center currently provides various outpatient and urgent care services under its Outpatient Clinic license.
- 3. OHCA finds that this health care facility is currently owned by the following shareholders:

David Goyette 90.695% Steven Dieterich, M.D. 6.086% William Spector, M.D. 3.217%

4. OHCA finds that the proposed change in ownership of the health care facility would result in the following ownership shares:

James H. Adams 50% Laura Beardsley Sweeney 40% Craig D. Sweeney M.D. 10%

- 5. The Applicant indicates that "The current owner, David Goyette, will be with us for some time to insure a smooth transition and thorough knowledge of day to day operations".
- On January 28, 2009, Vernon Walk In Medical Care Center, Inc. submitted a Form 2030 Letter of Intent regarding the intended change of ownership or control of this health care facility. OHCA sent out Certificate of Need application forms to the Applicant on February 23, 2009 and indicated that the Certificate of Need application in that matter (Docket Number 09-31301-LOI) can be filed with OHCA between April 14, 2009 and June 13, 2009.
- 7. Section 19a-630(1) of the Connecticut General Statutes states (in part):
  - (1) "Health care facility or institution" means any facility or institution engaged primarily in providing services for the prevention, diagnosis or treatment of human health conditions, including, but not limited to: Outpatient clinics..."
- 8. Section 19a-638(a)(1) of the Connecticut General Statutes states (in part):
  - "(1) Each health care facility or institution, that intends to (A) transfer all or part of its ownership or control ... shall submit to the office, prior to the proposed date of such transfer or change, a request for permission to undertake such transfer or change."

Based on the above findings, OHCA hereby determines that:

- Vernon Walk In Medical Center, Inc. is a health care facility or institution.
- The ownership and control of the Vernon Walk In Medical Care Center, Inc. will be specifically transferred as a result of this proposal

Therefore, Vernon Walk In Medical Center, Inc. is required to seek and obtain Certificate of Need authorization from OHCA pursuant to Section 19a-638 (a) (1), C.G.S. The Applicant does not need to file a new Letter of Intent with OHCA to request the initiation of the Certificate of Need Process as the Applicant has a pending Letter of Intent before OHCA under Docket Number 09-31301-LOI. The Certificate of Need application under that Docket Number may be filed any time before June 13, 2009.

Sincerely,

Cristine A. Vogel

Commissioner

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