

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH Office of Health Care Access

October 27, 2009

Via Facsimile Only

Cary Trantalis
Vice President of Patient Care
Windham Community Memorial Hospital
112 Mansfield Avenue
Willimantic, CT 06226

Re:

CON Determination Report Number 09-31475-DTR Windham Community Memorial Hospital Establishment of Bone Density Services in Mansfield Pursuant to Public Act 09-232, Connecticut General Statues

Dear Ms. Trantalis:

On September 25, 2009, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your Certificate of Need ("CON") Determination request on behalf of Windham Community Memorial Hospital ("WCMH") for the establishment of Bone Density services in Mansfield, Connecticut. OHCA has reviewed your request and makes the following findings:

- 1. WCMH is an acute care hospital located at 112 Mansfield Avenue in Willimantic, Connecticut.
- 2. WCMH is proposing to relocate bone density services from the Hospital's campus in Willimantic, to 7 Ledgebrook Drive, Mansfield.
- 3. WCMH states that the target population to be served for the bone density services includes the town of Mansfield which is within WCMH's primary service area.
- 4. The WCMH contends that the total capital expenditure associated with the proposal is \$64,000.

5. Pursuant to Public Act 09-232 of the Connecticut General Statutes ("C.G.S.):

"Each short-term acute care general or children's hospital, chronic disease hospital or hospital for the mentally ill that on July 1, 2009, is providing outpatient services,.....that thereafter proposes to provide such services at an alternative location within the primary service area of the health care facility or institution, shall be exempt from the certificate of need requirements prescribed in subsection (a) of section 19a-638, as amended by this act,..."

6. OHCA finds that WCMH currently offers bone density services and that the town of Mansfield is within WCMH's primary service area.

Based on these findings, OHCA has determined that Windham Community Memorial Hospital's proposal for the establishment of bone density services in Mansfield, Connecticut meets the exemption requirements under Public Act 09-232 and therefore, a Certificate of Need is not required.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Ronald A. Ciesones at (860) 418-7023.

Sincerely,

Cristine A. Xogel Commissioner

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