



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

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VIA FACSIMILE ONLY

Jennifer C. Simson
The Next Right Thing
246 Steele Road
West Hartford, CT 06117

RE: Certificate of Need Determination Report Number 11-31744-DTR
The Next Right Thing
Acquire a License to Provide Outpatient Substance Abuse Treatment Services

Dear Ms. Simson:

On January 20, 2012, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your completed Certificate of Need ("CON") determination request on behalf of The Next Right Thing ("Applicant") with respect to whether a CON is required for the Applicant to become licensed as an outpatient behavioral health provider.

The Applicant is a for-profit entity, currently providing treatment programs such as psycho-social and psychiatric evaluation for adolescents and individual and family therapy. The Applicant seeks to obtain a license through Department of Public Health so that it can provide outpatient substance abuse treatment services such as intensive outpatient ("IOP") treatment services.

Pursuant to General Statutes § 19a-638 (b) (14), a CON is not required for any non-profit facility, institution or provider that has a contract with, or is certified or licensed to provide a service for, a state agency or department for a service that would otherwise require a CON. However, since the Applicant is a for-profit entity, *a CON is required* for the Applicant to obtain a license as an outpatient behavioral health provider. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Steven W. Lazarus, Associate Health Care Analyst, at (860) 418-7012.

Sincerely,

Kimberly R. Martone
Director of Operations

C: Rose McLellan, License and Applications Supervisor, DPH, DHSR