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July 22, 2005

Ms. Linda Hayes, RN
Executive Director
CareNet Pregnancy Center of Northeast Connecticut
157 Main Street
Danielson, CT 06239

RE: Certificate of Need Determination; Report Number 05-30425-DTR
CareNet Pregnancy Center of Northeast Connecticut d/b/a
Caring Families Pregnancy Services
Establish CareNet Pregnancy Program in Danielson

Dear Ms. Hayes:

On January 3, 2005, the Office of Health Care Access (“OHCA”) received your Certificate of Need (“CON”) Determination request concerning the proposal of CareNet Pregnancy Center of Northeast Connecticut to establish a pregnancy program located at 157 Main Street in Danielson, CT, at a total capital expenditure of \$30,500. On July 21, 2005, OHCA received a letter from the Department of Public Health regarding the request for exemption from the CON process, pursuant to Section 19a-639b of the Connecticut General Statutes.

OHCA has reviewed the information contained in the request and makes the following findings:

1. CareNet Pregnancy Center of Northeast Connecticut (“CareNet”) is a non-profit organization that offers services such as pregnancy testing, counseling, parenting and childbirth classes, and material assistance to women who have pregnancy-related issues.
2. CareNet proposes to provide medical services such as pregnancy testing, medical consultation and referral and limited obstetrical ultrasound free of charge at 157 Main Street in Danielson, CT.
3. CareNet is proposing to serve women ages 16-40 who would be at various stages of pregnancy who reside in Windham County.
4. CareNet will seek to be licensed as a primary care clinic.

5. The Department of Public Health stated in its letter that an exemption could not be recommended due to the inability to ascertain documentation identifying a need for the proposal in the proposed area.
6. CareNet is a health care facility or institution as defined in Section 19a-630 of the Connecticut General Statutes ("C.G.S").
7. The total capital expenditure for the proposal is \$30,500.

Based on the above findings, OHCA has determined that CareNet, a health care facility or institution, is required to seek and obtain Certificate of Need approval to establish a pregnancy program at 157 Main Street in Danielson, CT, pursuant to Section 19a-638 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

OHCA considers the submission of additional information received on July 19, 2005 from the Department of Public Health as the Letter of Intent for this matter; therefore CareNet may file a completed CON application with OHCA between September 19, 2005, and November 16, 2005. The CON application is attached.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please contact Paolo Fiducia, Associate Health Care Analyst at (860) 418-7035.

Sincerely,

Signed by Cristine A. Vogel
Commissioner

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