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Mary Nescott, MPH
Director of Quality Management
Birmingham Group Health Services
435 East Main Street
Ansonia, CT 06401

RE: Certificate of Need Determination; Report Number 05-30606-EXM
Birmingham Group Health Services d/b/a Birmingham Group Health Services Extension
CON Exemption Pursuant to Section 19a-639b, C.G.S.
Establish Psychiatric Outpatient Clinic for Adults with the Multi-Service Component

Dear Ms. Nescott:

The Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") is in receipt of your request for exemption from the Certificate of Need ("CON") process, pursuant to Section 19a-639b of the Connecticut General Statutes ("C.G.S."), for the establishment of a psychiatric outpatient clinic for adults with multi-service component at 111 New Haven Avenue, Bradley Pond, in Derby.

Upon review of the information contained in the request, OHCA finds the following:

1. Birmingham Group Health Services is a non-profit facility located at 111 New Haven Avenue, Bradley Pond, Derby, which provides case management services, social skills building, vocational and educational support to a DMHAS targeted young adult population (18-25 years).
2. Birmingham Group Health Services is proposing to obtain psychiatric outpatient and intensive outpatient licenses at 111 New Haven Avenue, Bradley Pond, in Derby.
3. The Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services ("DMHAS"), in a letter dated October 5, 2005, from Commissioner Thomas A. Kirk, Jr., Ph.D., recommends an exemption under CGS Section 19a-639b for Birmingham Group Health Services to provide outpatient psychiatric services for adults at 111 New Haven Avenue, Bradley Pond, Derby, serving clients in the Ansonia, Derby, Oxford, Shelton and Seymour area.

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4. DMHAS states that clinical services in Derby will provide enhanced access to and coordination of services, reductions in cancellations and no-show rates as well as full continuum of care at one location. It is estimated that initially, the program will provide care for 80 unduplicated clients annually.
5. The total capital expenditure associated with the proposal is \$0.

Based on the above findings, OHCA has determined that the establishment of a psychiatric outpatient clinic for adults with multi-service component at 111 New Haven Avenue, Bradley Pond, Derby meets the exemption requirements of Section 19a-639b of the Connecticut General Statutes and, therefore, is exempt from OHCA's CON process. Termination of these services would require CON approval, pursuant to Section 19a-638, C.G.S.

Thank you for providing information to OHCA regarding this proposal. If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Paolo Fiducia, Associate Health Care Analyst, Certification, Financial Analysis and Forecasting, at (860) 418-7001.

Sincerely,

Signed by Cristine A. Vogel
Commissioner

C: Honorable Thomas A. Kirk, Jr., Ph.D., Commissioner, DMHAS
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