



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

April 5, 2012

VIA FACSIMILE ONLY

Gary M. Steck
Chief Executive Officer
Wellmore, Inc. d/b/a Wellmore Behavioral Health
141 East Main Street
Waterbury, CT 06702

RE: Certificate of Need Determination Report Number ¹²11-31752-DTR
Wellmore, Inc. d/b/a Wellmore Behavioral Health and Morris Foundation, Inc.
Change in Organization Structure

Dear Mr. Steck:

On March 27, 2012, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your completed Certificate of Need ("CON") determination request on behalf of Wellmore, Inc. d/b/a Wellmore Behavioral Health ("Wellmore") and Morris Foundation, Inc. ("Morris") (collectively known as "Applicants") with respect to (a) whether a CON is required for Wellmore and Morris to merge and (b) if a CON is required for Wellmore to become licensed for outpatient behavioral health services in order to provide services currently offered by Morris.

Wellmore a not-for-profit entity is the new entity, comprised of the former Wellpath, Inc. and Morris. Wellmore has received permission from the appropriate Connecticut State agencies to convert state contracts from Morris to Wellmore. Wellmore has contracts with Connecticut's Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services and holds multiple licenses for children/adolescent services through Connecticut's Department of Children and Family Services. Additionally, Wellmore has an agreement with Connecticut's Department of Social Services as a Medicaid provider. As a result of its merger with Morris, Wellmore seeks to become licensed through the Department of Public Health so that it can continue to provide outpatient behavioral health services currently offered by Morris.

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. Therefore, a CON is not required for Wellmore to either merge with Morris or acquire an additional behavioral health license from the Connecticut Department of Public Health. 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