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**RE: Certificate of Need Determination Report No. 23-32645-DTR
Health Plus Ortho Management, LLC d/b/a Health Plus &
Orthopaedic Specialty Surgery Center, LLC d/b/a Orthopaedic
& Specialty Surgery Center
Transfer of Ownership of an Outpatient Surgical Facility**

Dear Mr. Jablon and Dr. Buchalter:

On June 16, 2023, the Health Systems Planning (“HSP”) Unit of the Office of Health Strategy (“OHS”) received your Certificate of Need (“CON”) Determination Form on behalf of Health Plus Ortho Management, LLC (“HPM”) d/b/a Health Plus and Orthopaedic Specialty Surgery Center, LLC (“OSSC”) d/b/a Orthopaedic & Specialty Surgery Center with respect to its proposed transfer of ownership (the “Proposal”).

OSSC owns and operates a licensed outpatient surgical center (“the Center”) at 40 Old Ridgebury Road in Danbury, CT. HPM and OSSC collectively are seeking to transfer 40% minority interest in the Center to HPM.

Connecticut General Statutes (“C.G.S.”) § 19a-638(a)(2) states that a CON is required for “the transfer of ownership of a health care facility.” However, C.G.S. § 19a-493b(c) exempts an outpatient surgical facility from having to submit a CON application for a transfer or change of ownership or control if prior to the transfer or change of ownership or control, the facility is 100% owned and controlled by persons licensed pursuant to section 20-13 or chapter 375 and post transaction the facility will remain at least 60% owned and controlled by persons licensed pursuant to section 20-13 or chapter 375.

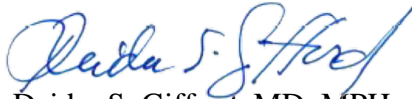
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The Proposal satisfies both conditions as the Center is currently owned and controlled exclusively by licensed physicians and/or podiatrists, through a limited liability company and after the transaction, the Center will maintain 60% owned and controlled by licensed physicians and podiatrists.

Based upon the foregoing, OHS concludes that ***no CON is required*** for the Proposal.

Sincerely,



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