WEST VIRGINIA

HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY

In re: Relational Management Services, LLC d/b/a Greenbrier Academy for Girls, Applicant.

CON File #16-1-10981-X

DECISION

I. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Pursuant to W.Va. C.S.R. § 65-29-1 et seq., Relational Management Services, LLC d/b/a Greenbrier Academy for Girls (GBA) is seeking an exemption from Certificate of Need (CON) review for the development of behavioral health services for adolescent girls to be located at 158 Greenbrier Academy Lane, Pence Springs, Summers County, West Virginia.

II. PROCEDURAL HISTORY

On December 27, 2016, the West Virginia Health Care Authority (Authority) received the exemption application and appropriate filing fee (Exhibit 1). On December 28, 2016, the Authority acknowledged receipt of the same (Exhibit 2).

III. ANALYSIS OF EXEMPTION CRITERIA

In support of the exemption request, the Applicant provided information regarding compliance with W.Va. C.S.R. § 65-29-4.

An application for an exemption shall, at a minimum, include the following:

4.1. Name, address and contact information for the applicant;

GBA submits that its address and contact information is John Grago, CEO and Headmaster, Route 3, 158 Greenbrier Academy Lane, Pence Springs, West Virginia.

4.2. Name, address and contact information for the person making the application;

GBA submits that the contact person regarding this application is Raymona A. Kinneberg, Co-President, Bill J. Crouch & Associates, Inc., 210 MacCorkle Avenue, S.E., Charleston, West Virginia.

4.3. Verifications from the person making the application and the CEO of the applicant entity;

GBA submits that the verifications of Raymona A. Kinneberg, the person making the application, and John Grago, CEO and Headmaster, are attached to the exemption application as Exhibits 1 and 2, respectively.

4.4. A copy of the governing body's written authorization empowering the CEO or his or her designee to authorize specified individuals to sign the application and to act on its behalf; and

GBA submits that the governing body's written authorization empowering John Grago to execute applications for exemption and Raymona A. Kinneberg to act as its official contact with the Authority regarding applications for exemption is attached to the exemption application as Exhibit 3.

4.5. A detailed description of the project, including but not limited to:

4.5.a. The location of the proposal;

GBA submits that the project will be located at 158 Greenbrier Academy Lane, Pence Springs, Summers County, West Virginia.

4.5.b. A detailed statement of the services to be provided;

GBA submits that it is a manager managed limited liability company operating a therapeutic boarding school in Summers County. GBA proposes adding a village program (the Village) for adolescent girls on its campus. The Village will serve up to twelve girls at any one time and participants will include GBA students and others that volunteer to be in the Village. The length of stay will be thirty (30) days. GBA also submits that participants are free to leave prior to the end of the 30 days.

GBA submits that Village participants will reside in yurts on the 140-acre GBA campus. The goals for the participants are self-improvement, self-identity clarification, and goal setting which will be supported through the program that will include community culture experiences to create healthy relationships guided by licensed therapists and staff. GBA further submits that Village participants will have the opportunity for weekly coaching as a follow-up to the Village experience no matter where they will be living. However, if the participants are not GBA students the coaching will be completed primarily through telephone and skype.

4.5.c. The exemption for which the applicant is applying with the appropriate Code citation;

GBA submits that it is seeking an exemption from CON review pursuant to W. Va. Code 16-2D-11(c)(21).

4.5.d. A statement of the circumstances justifying approval of the exemption; and

GBA submits that it provides a quality educational program and treatment to address behavioral and emotional problems that interfere with school, family relationships and social interactions. GBA further submits that the proposed Village will enhance that experience for its students, plus provide an opportunity for adolescent girls who are not GBA students to experience an intense therapeutic environment intended to create healthier relationships. All participants will benefit from an improvement in personal relationships and a reduction in depression, anxiety, trauma symptoms, and/or potentially destructive behaviors. GBA also submits that the Village will provide a therapeutic environment to quickly assist participants to improve their self-concept and identity.

4.5.e. A timetable for implementation of the project.

GBA submits that the project will be completed approximately six weeks following approval of the exemption.

8. The applicant shall notify the Authority in writing upon the completion of the project. The notification shall contain a brief description of the project, the assigned case file number, the date of the completion of the project and the date that the project became or will become operational.

Relational Management Services, LLC d/b/a Greenbrier Academy for Girls is directed to notify the Authority in writing upon the completion of the project. The notification shall contain a brief description of the project, the assigned case file number, the date of the completion of the project and the date that the project became or will become operational.

The Authority determines that the Applicant has adequately addressed and is consistent with the criteria contained in W.Va. C.S.R. § 65-29-1 et seq.

IV. DECISION

Accordingly, it is *ORDERED* that the proposal by Relational Management Services, LLC d/b/a Greenbrier Academy for Girls for the development of behavioral health services for adolescent girls *IS APPROVED*.

It is further *ORDERED* that Relational Management Services, LLC d/b/a Greenbrier Academy for Girls is responsible for the submission of all required financial disclosure information to the Authority as set forth in W.Va. C.S.R. § 65-13-1 et seq. and W.Va. Code § 16-5F-1 et seq.

APPEALS

Appeal from this Decision may be taken in accordance with the provisions of W.Va. Code § 16-2D-16, and must be requested in writing and received by the West Virginia Health Care Authority, Office of Judges, Post Office Box 3585, Charleston, West Virginia 25328, within thirty (30) days after the date of this Decision.

Done this 17th day of January 2017.

Sonia D. Chambers, Board Member

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EXHIBITS REFERENCE

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Exhibit Number	Description			Document Date	Date Rec'd by CON
1	Exemption application and filing fee			12/23/16	12/27/16
2	Acknowledgment of application and filing fee	receipt	of	12/28/16	