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**RE: Docket No. GMCB-015-23con, Brattleboro Retreat, Re-Opening of Paused Adolescent Residential Treatment Beds**

Dear Ms. Wohl:

Thank you for your letters dated June 7, 2024, August 8, 2024, and September 9, 2024, that provided additional information regarding your request for a jurisdictional determination relative to the Brattleboro Retreat's (Retreat) intent to reopen the adolescent residential treatment program that was temporarily closed in 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic as a Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility (PRTF).

The Retreat has represented to date that the services offered in the paused residential program are the same as the services to be offered at the PRTF; that staffing will be similar; that the number of licensed beds will not change, remaining at 15; that the location of the program is moving from primarily Osgood 3 to Linden Lodge 1 and 2; and that the overall acuity of the resident population will not be materially different from the population of the paused program because the admission and exclusion criteria are not materially different.

We are waiting for confirmation from the Agency of Human Services (AHS) as to whether the PRTF will be locked or unlocked and whether the PRTF will admit voluntary and involuntary patients. Once we receive confirmation from AHS, we will determine whether we need any additional information to make a jurisdictional determination. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 802-760-8162.

Sincerely,

*s/ Donna Jerry*  
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cc. Laura Beliveau, Staff Attorney, Green Mountain Care Board

