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State confirms transfer plan out

<p>The chairman of the health and hospital committee for Community Board 3, Thomas Prisco, yesterday received confirmation from a state Mental Hygiene Department official that the agency has temporarily abandoned plans to move Willowbrook Developmental Center into an empty nursing home in Con-</p>	<p>cord. The proposal to use the Island View Care Center facility to serve 240 Willowbrook residents came under heavy fire from community residents and city mental health officials when it was revealed last spring. Prisco had asked the state to spell out its current position and was told by Robert Patton, a</p>	<p>deputy commissioner, that the decision made recently to hold up on any transfer of Willowbrook residents will remain in effect unless the city officials change their minds and support the Island View plan. Patton explained that as long as the state faces opposition to the move, it will not act in the face of that opposition.</p>
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