March 21, 2017

Stephen Farnsworth, Administrator
Gateway Transitional Care Center
527 Memorial Drive
Pocatello, ID 83201-4063

Provider #: 135011

RE: FACILITY FIRE SAFETY & CONSTRUCTION SURVEY REPORT COVER LETTER

Dear Mr. Farnsworth:

On March 14, 2017, a Facility Fire Safety and Construction survey was conducted at Gateway Transitional Care Center by the Department of Health & Welfare, Bureau of Facility Standards to determine if your facility was in compliance with State Licensure and Federal participation requirements for nursing homes participating in the Medicare and/or Medicaid programs. This survey found that your facility was not in substantial compliance with Medicare and Medicaid program participation requirements. This survey found the most serious deficiency to be an isolated deficiency that constitutes no actual harm with potential for more than minimal harm that is not immediate jeopardy, as documented on the enclosed CMS-2567, whereby significant corrections are required.

Enclosed is a Statement of Deficiencies and Plan of Correction, Form CMS-2567, listing Medicare and/or Medicaid deficiencies. If applicable, a similar State Form will be provided listing licensure health deficiencies. In the spaces provided on the right side of each sheet, answer each deficiency and state the date when each will be completed. Please provide ONLY ONE completion date for each federal and state tag in column (X5) Completion Date to signify when
you allege that each tag will be back in compliance. **NOTE:** The alleged compliance date must be after the "Date Survey Completed" (located in field X3) and on or before the "Opportunity to Correct" (listed on page 2). After each deficiency has been answered and dated, the administrator should sign the Statement of Deficiencies and Plan of Correction, CMS-2567 Form in the spaces provided and return the originals to this office. If a State Form with deficiencies was issued, it should be signed, dated and returned along with the CMS-2567 Form.

Your Plan of Correction (PoC) for the deficiencies must be submitted by **April 3, 2017.** Failure to submit an acceptable PoC by **April 3, 2017,** may result in the imposition of civil monetary penalties by **April 23, 2017.**

Your PoC must contain the following:

- What corrective action(s) will be accomplished for those residents found to have been affected by the deficient practice;
- How you will identify other residents having the potential to be affected by the same deficient practice and what corrective action(s) will be taken;
- What measures will be put into place or what systemic changes you will make to ensure that the deficient practice does not recur;
- How the corrective action(s) will be monitored to ensure the deficient practice will not recur, i.e., what quality assurance program will be put into place; and,
- Include dates when corrective action will be completed.
- The administrator must sign and date the first page of both the federal survey report, Form CMS-2567. If a State Form was issued as well, it should also be signed, dated and returned.

All references to federal regulatory requirements contained in this letter are found in Title 42, Code of Federal Regulations.

Remedies will be recommended for imposition by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) if your facility has failed to achieve substantial compliance by **April 18, 2017,** (Opportunity to Correct). Informal dispute resolution of the cited deficiencies will not delay the imposition of the enforcement actions recommended (or revised, as appropriate) on **April 18, 2017.** A change in the seriousness of the deficiencies on **April 18, 2017,** may result in a change in the remedy.
The remedy, which will be recommended if substantial compliance has not been achieved by April 18, 2017, includes the following:

Denial of payment for new admissions effective June 14, 2017.
42 CFR §488.417(a)

If you do not achieve substantial compliance within three (3) months after the last day of the survey identifying noncompliance, the CMS Regional Office and/or State Medicaid Agency must deny payments for new admissions.

We must recommend to the CMS Regional Office and/or State Medicaid Agency that your provider agreement be terminated on September 14, 2017, if substantial compliance is not achieved by that time.

Please note that this notice does not constitute formal notice of imposition of alternative remedies or termination of your provider agreement. Should the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services determine that termination or any other remedy is warranted, it will provide you with a separate formal notification of that determination.

If you believe these deficiencies have been corrected, you may contact Nate Elkins, Supervisor, Facility Fire Safety and Construction, Bureau of Facility Standards, 3232 Elder Street, PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0009, Phone #: (208) 334-6626, option 3; Fax #: (208) 364-1888, with your written credible allegation of compliance. If you choose and so indicate, the PoC may constitute your allegation of compliance. We may accept the written allegation of compliance and presume compliance until substantiated by a revisit or other means. In such a case, neither the CMS Regional Office nor the State Medicaid Agency will impose the previously recommended remedy, if appropriate.

If, upon the subsequent revisit, your facility has not achieved substantial compliance, we will recommend that the remedies previously mentioned in this letter be imposed by the CMS Regional Office or the State Medicaid Agency beginning on March 14, 2017, and continue until substantial compliance is achieved. Additionally, the CMS Regional Office or State Medicaid Agency may impose a revised remedy(ies), based on changes in the seriousness of the non-compliance at the time of the revisit, if appropriate.

In accordance with 42 CFR §488.331, you have one opportunity to question cited deficiencies through an informal dispute resolution process. To be given such an opportunity, you are required to send your written request and all required information as directed in Informational Letter #2001-10. Informational Letter #2001-10 can also be found on the Internet at:
Go to the middle of the page to Information Letters section and click on State and select the following:

BFS Letters (06/30/11)

2001-10 Long Term Care Informal Dispute Resolution Process
2001-10 IDR Request Form

This request must be received by April 3, 2017. If your request for informal dispute resolution is received after April 3, 2017, the request will not be granted. An incomplete informal dispute resolution process will not delay the effective date of any enforcement action.

Thank you for the courtesies extended to us during the survey. If you have any questions, please contact us at (208) 334-6626, option 3.

Sincerely,

Nate Elkins, Supervisor
Facility Fire Safety and Construction

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Enclosures
The facility is a Type II (222) multi-level structure built into a sloping hillside with multiple exits. Four of the exits are to grade. The existing building was built in October 1963 and an addition in 1988. It is fully sprinklered with smoke detection throughout and dampers electrically tied to the fire panel with no fusible links. Currently the facility is licensed for 88 SNF/NF beds.

The following deficiency was cited during the annual fire/life safety survey conducted on March 14, 2017. The facility was surveyed under the LIFE SAFETY CODE, 2012 Edition, Existing Health Care Occupancy, in accordance with 42 CFR 483.70.

The Survey was conducted by:

Linda Chaney
Health Facility Surveyor
Facility Fire Safety & Construction

K 353 NFPA 101 Sprinkler System - Maintenance and Testing

Sprinkler System: Maintenance and Testing
Automatic sprinkler and standpipe systems are inspected, tested, and maintained in accordance with NFPA 25, Standard for the Inspection, Testing, and Maintaining of Water-based Fire Protection Systems. Records of system design, maintenance, inspection and testing are maintained in a secure location and readily available.

a) Date sprinkler system last checked

b) Who provided system test

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Any deficiency statement ending with an asterisk (*) denotes a deficiency which the institution may be excused from correcting providing it is determined that other safeguards provide sufficient protection to the patients. (See instructions.) Except for nursing homes, the findings stated above are disclosable 90 days following the date of survey whether or not a plan of correction is provided. For nursing homes, the above findings and plans of correction are disclosable 14 days following the date these documents are made available to the facility. If deficiencies are cited, an approved plan of correction is requisite to continued program participation.
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  c) Water system supply source

Provide in REMARKS information on coverage for any non-required or partial automatic sprinkler system.

9.7.5, 9.7.7, 9.7.8, and NFPA 25
This STANDARD is not met as evidenced by:
Based on observation and interview, the facility failed to ensure fire suppression system pendants were maintained free of obstructions such as paint or corrosion. Failure to maintain fire sprinkler pendants free of obstructions could hinder system performance during a fire event. This deficient practice affected residents utilizing the physical therapy pool room, staff and visitors on the date of the survey. The facility is licensed for 88 SNF/NF beds and had a census of 78 on the day of the survey.

Findings include:

During the facility tour conducted on March 14, 2017, from approximately 11:00 AM to 3:30 PM, observation of the physical therapy pool room and adjoining rooms revealed ten (10) corroded sprinkler heads. When asked, the Maintenance Supervisor stated the facility was not aware of the corroded heads.

Actual NFPA standard:

NFPA 25

5.2.1 Sprinklers.

5.2.1.1* Sprinklers shall be inspected from the floor level annually.
**STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION**

**IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:** 135011

**NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER:** GATEWAY TRANSITIONAL CARE CENTER

**STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE:** 527 MEMORIAL DRIVE, POCATELLO, ID 83201

### SUMMARY STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES

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<td>5.2.1.1.1* Sprinklers shall not show signs of leakage; shall be free of corrosion, foreign materials, paint, and physical damage; and shall be installed in the correct orientation (e.g., upright, pendent, or sidewall).</td>
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5.2.1.1.2 Any sprinkler that shows signs of any of the following shall be replaced:

1. Leakage
2. Corrosion
3. Physical damage
4. Loss of fluid in the glass bulb heat responsive element
5. *Loading
6. Painting unless painted by the sprinkler manufacturer
Life Safety Plan of Correction for Gateway Transitional Care Center

3/14/2017

1. On 3/14/2017 Dale Rounkles (Facility Operations) contacted 3D Fire Protection to request a bid for the fire suppressant pendants to be replaced. This Repair was completed on 3/29/2017. Photographs will be sent to Health and Welfare as evidence of the repair.

2. This deficiency has the potential to affect all residents, guest and staff that utilize the facility pool.

3. Facility Operations (Dale Rounkles) is to routinely inspect all facility fire suppressant pendants per federal regulation to ensure they are free from paint or corrosion.

4. Fire suppressant pendants will be audited/inspected to be clear from paint, corrosion or any possible obstruction on a monthly basis for three months and then once per quarter thereafter. Audits began on 3/28/2017. Results will be reported to QA in our safety meeting.

5. Date of Compliance for alleged deficiency is 3/29/2017.