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March 10, 2020

Dynasty Hammond



RE: Notice of Revocation of Nurse Aide Certificate

Dear Ms. Hammond,

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, under authority of federal law, imposes a requirement on state governments (42 CFR § 483, et al.) to ensure that nurse aides have the education and clinical skills necessary to care for residents of long-term care facilities. These regulations also require that each State maintain a nurse aide Registry, which pursuant to 42 CFR § 483.156(c)(1)(iv), must contain all substantiated findings by the State of abuse, neglect or misappropriation of resident property by a certified nurse aide.

Further, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 26:2H-1, et al., and its implementing regulations, specifically N.J.A.C. 8:39-43.5(a)(1), a certificate issued to a nurse aide shall be revoked upon a finding of abuse, neglect or misappropriation of property of a resident of a long-term care facility.

The Office of Program Compliance of the New Jersey State Department of Health ("Department") was notified of credible evidence that on or about February 19, 2019 while you were employed as a nurse aide at The Jewish Home for Rehabilitation and Nursing in Freehold, New Jersey, it is alleged that you neglected a resident of the facility. Specifically, it is alleged that you failed to transfer a resident from her wheelchair to her bed appropriately, and in doing so, your actions caused the resident pain and resulted in injuries, including fractures of the resident's right arm and left thigh. Your actions constitute neglect of a resident in accordance with the federal definitions under 42 C.F.R. 483.5.

Further, a Notice of Right to Hearing letter was mailed to you on June 26, 2019 and, pursuant to your request for a hearing, on July 30, 2019, the matter was transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law. Although you did participate in an October 23, 2019 court-scheduled prehearing conference, you failed to participate in a subsequent conference call. Having contacted the judge's chambers shortly thereafter with an explanation, the Judge Delanoy rescheduled the call for February 26, 2020. However, after having failed to participate in a conference call for a

second time, and having failed to contact the court thereafter, the court returned the matter to the Department. As such, be advised that the Department has revoked your nurse aide certification on the New Jersey Registry. Please forward your nurse aide certificate and nurse aide wallet card to the address below, as they are no longer valid.

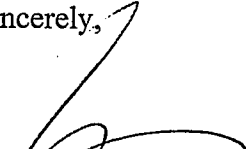
You are entitled to submit a written statement contesting the findings noted above. This statement will be maintained on the Registry. If you wish to submit such a statement, you must do so within 20 days of receipt of this letter. Your letter should reference "Notice of Revocation of Nurse Aide Certificate". Please mail this statement to:

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Further, since this matter involves an act of resident neglect, a finding of neglect will be placed next to your name on the Registry pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §1395 i-3 (g)(D). You have the right to make a written request to this Department to remove the finding of neglect from the Registry one (1) year after the date of the original placement. If your request to remove the finding of neglect is granted by the Department, the finding of neglect is then removed from the Registry by the Department. If you fail to make a written request to the Department to remove the finding of neglect from the Registry, the finding of neglect will remain on the Registry permanently.

Should you have any questions about this matter, kindly contact me at the telephone number below.

Sincerely,



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