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VIA ELECTRONIC AND FIRST CLASS MAIL

Paul Matey, Senior Vice President
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Re: Lifting Directed Plan of Correction

Dear Mr. Matey:

By letter of October 13, 2016, the Department of Health ("the Department") issued a Notice of Assessment of Penalties and Directed Plan of Correction ("DPOC") against University Hospital ("UH"). The DPOC was based on complaint surveys conducted by the Department on June 17, 2015, August 17, 2015, March 22, 2016, June 22, 2016, and September 23, 2016, which identified deficiencies in the hospital's practices and procedures associated with five elopements that occurred in 2015 and 2016 (collectively "the Elopements"). The DPOC required UH to retain the services of a security consultant to conduct an initial risk assessment related to the Elopements and to "submit weekly progress reports to the Department detailing the status and remediation of UH's security deficiencies." On December 5, 2017, the Department amended the DPOC reporting requirement.

As we advised you today by telephone, based upon review of the reports that have been submitted to date, and upon the recommendation of the Division of Health Facility Survey and Field Operations, the Department has determined that the DPOC requirements are no longer necessary, and therefore the DPOC requirements are hereby lifted.

Mr. Matey
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Should you have questions concerning this matter, you may contact me at
(609) 633-9034.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gene Rosenblum". The signature is fluid and cursive, written in a professional style.

Gene Rosenblum, Director
Program Compliance & Health Care Financing

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