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In Re Licensure Violation:	:	
	:	REVISED CURTAILMENT
	:	OF ADMISSIONS
Excel Care at Manalapan	:	ORDER AND
	:	DIRECTED PLAN OF
(NJ Facility ID# NJ61323)	:	CORRECTION
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TO: Ben Friedman, Administrator
Excel Care at Manalapan
104 Pension Road
Manalapan, NJ 07726

Dear Mr. Friedman:

On March 18, 2024, the Department of Health (hereinafter, “the Department”) issued a written Curtailment of Admissions Order and Directed Plan of Correction to Excel Care at Manalapan (hereinafter, “Excel Care”). The order curtailed all admissions, including readmissions, and imposed a Directed Plan of Correction (DPOC) requiring Excel Care to retain the full-time services of a Consultant Administrator, Consultant Director of Nursing, and a Consultant Infection Control Preventionist, and to hire an Infection Control Preventionist as a regular, permanent employee. This letter confirms the verbal order given to Excel Care by the Department on April 5, 2024, revising the Curtailment of Admissions Order and Directed Plan of Correction. As set forth below, Excel Care may readmit certain residents, on a case-by-case basis, only after Department review and approval of a detailed plan of care for each resident.

REVISED CURTAILMENT:

The Department hereby orders the continuation of curtailment of all admissions to Excel Care, including readmissions, subject to the exceptions set forth in this Revised Order. This revised

order allows Excel Care to readmit certain residents, on a case-by-case basis, only after Department review and approval of a detailed care plan for each resident submitted by the facility that demonstrates how Excel Care can adequately address the specific needs of each resident seeking readmission to the facility.

Please be advised that N.J.A.C. 8:43E-3.4(a)(2) provides for a penalty of \$250 per day for each resident at the facility in violation of this curtailment order.

DIRECTED PLAN OF CORRECTION

The Directed Plan of Correction issued on March 18, 2024 is not modified and shall remain in place until the facility is otherwise notified in writing by a representative of this Department.

Department staff will monitor facility compliance with this order to determine whether corrective measures are implemented by the facility in a timely fashion. Failure to comply with these and any other applicable requirements, as set forth in pertinent rules and regulations, may result in the imposition of additional enforcement actions, including penalties.

Please be advised that you may be subject to other enforcement remedies in addition to this order.

FORMAL HEARING:

The initial Curtailment of Admissions Order and Directed Plan of Correction permitted Excel Care to contest the curtailment, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 26:2H-14, by requesting a formal hearing at the Office of Administrative Law (OAL). This Revised Curtailment of Admissions Order and Directed Plan of Correction does not grant an additional right to request a formal hearing.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter and for your anticipated cooperation. Should you have any questions concerning this order, please contact Lisa King, Office of Program Compliance at (609) 376-7751.

Sincerely,



Gene Rosenblum
Director
Office of Program Compliance
Division of Certificate of Need and Licensing

DATE: April 16, 2024

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