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June 6, 2017

Mr. Trent Carlson, Administrator
New Harmony Care Center
135 Geranium Avenue East
Saint Paul, MN 55117

RE: Project Number S5381027

Dear Mr. Carlson:

On May 24, 2017, a standard survey was completed at your facility by the Minnesota Departments of Health and Public Safety to determine if your facility was in compliance with Federal participation requirements for skilled nursing facilities and/or nursing facilities participating in the Medicare and/or Medicaid programs.

This survey found the most serious deficiencies in your facility to be widespread deficiencies that constitute no actual harm with potential for more than minimal harm that is not immediate jeopardy (Level F), as evidenced by the attached CMS-2567 whereby corrections are required. A copy of the Statement of Deficiencies (CMS-2567) is enclosed.

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.

This letter provides important information regarding your response to these deficiencies and addresses the following issues:

Opportunity to Correct - the facility is allowed an opportunity to correct identified deficiencies before remedies are imposed;

Electronic Plan of Correction - when a plan of correction will be due and the information to be contained in that document;

Remedies - the type of remedies that will be imposed with the authorization of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) if substantial compliance is not attained at the time of a revisit;

Potential Consequences - the consequences of not attaining substantial compliance 3 and 6 months after the survey date; and

Informal Dispute Resolution - your right to request an informal reconsideration to dispute the attached deficiencies.

Please note, it is your responsibility to share the information contained in this letter and the results of this visit with the President of your facility's Governing Body.

DEPARTMENT CONTACT

Questions regarding this letter and all documents submitted as a response to the resident care deficiencies (those preceded by a "F" tag), i.e., the plan of correction should be directed to:

Susanne Reuss, Unit Supervisor
Minnesota Department of Health
P.O. Box 64900
St. Paul, Minnesota 55164-0900
susanne.reuss@state.mn.us
Telephone: (651) 201-3793
Fax: 651-215-9697

OPPORTUNITY TO CORRECT - DATE OF CORRECTION - REMEDIES

As of January 14, 2000, CMS policy requires that facilities will not be given an opportunity to correct before remedies will be imposed when actual harm was cited at the last standard or intervening survey and also cited at the current survey. Your facility does not meet this criterion. Therefore, if your facility has not achieved substantial compliance by July 3, 2017, the Department of Health will impose the following remedy:

- State Monitoring. (42 CFR 488.422)

In addition, the Department of Health is recommending to the CMS Region V Office that if your facility has not achieved substantial compliance by July 3, 2017 the following remedy will be imposed:

- Per instance civil money penalty. (42 CFR 488.430 through 488.444)

ELECTRONIC PLAN OF CORRECTION (ePoC)

An ePoC for the deficiencies must be submitted within **ten calendar days** of your receipt of this letter. Your ePoC must:

- Address how corrective action will be accomplished for those residents found to have been affected by the deficient practice;

- Address how the facility will identify other residents having the potential to be affected by the same deficient practice;
- Address what measures will be put into place or systemic changes made to ensure that the deficient practice will not recur;
- Indicate how the facility plans to monitor its performance to make sure that solutions are sustained. The facility must develop a plan for ensuring that correction is achieved and sustained. This plan must be implemented, and the corrective action evaluated for its effectiveness. The plan of correction is integrated into the quality assurance system;
- Include dates when corrective action will be completed. The corrective action completion dates must be acceptable to the State. If the plan of correction is unacceptable for any reason, the State will notify the facility. If the plan of correction is acceptable, the State will notify the facility. Facilities should be cautioned that they are ultimately accountable for their own compliance, and that responsibility is not alleviated in cases where notification about the acceptability of their plan of correction is not made timely. The plan of correction will serve as the facility's allegation of compliance; and,
- Submit electronically to acknowledge your receipt of the electronic 2567, your review and your ePoC submission.

If an acceptable ePoC is not received within 10 calendar days from the receipt of this letter, we will recommend to the CMS Region V Office that one or more of the following remedies be imposed:

- Optional denial of payment for new Medicare and Medicaid admissions (42 CFR 488.417 (a));
- Per day civil money penalty (42 CFR 488.430 through 488.444).

Failure to submit an acceptable ePoC could also result in the termination of your facility's Medicare and/or Medicaid agreement.

PRESUMPTION OF COMPLIANCE - CREDIBLE ALLEGATION OF COMPLIANCE

The facility's ePoC will serve as your allegation of compliance upon the Department's acceptance. Your signature at the bottom of the first page of the CMS-2567 form will be used as verification of compliance. In order for your allegation of compliance to be acceptable to the Department, the ePoC must meet the criteria listed in the plan of correction section above. You will be notified by the Minnesota Department of Health, Licensing and Certification Program staff and/or the Department of Public Safety, State Fire Marshal Division staff, if your ePoC for the respective deficiencies (if any) is acceptable.

VERIFICATION OF SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

Upon receipt of an acceptable ePoC, an onsite revisit of your facility may be conducted to validate that substantial compliance with the regulations has been attained in accordance with your verification. A Post Certification Revisit (PCR) will occur after the date you identified that compliance was achieved in your plan of correction.

If substantial compliance has been achieved, certification of your facility in the Medicare and/or Medicaid program(s) will be continued and remedies will not be imposed. Compliance is certified as of the latest correction date on the approved ePoC, unless it is determined that either correction actually occurred between the latest correction date on the ePoC and the date of the first revisit, or correction occurred sooner than the latest correction date on the ePoC.

Original deficiencies not corrected

If your facility has not achieved substantial compliance, we will impose the remedies described above. If the level of noncompliance worsened to a point where a higher category of remedy may be imposed, we will recommend to the CMS Region V Office that those other remedies be imposed.

Original deficiencies not corrected and new deficiencies found during the revisit

If new deficiencies are identified at the time of the revisit, those deficiencies may be disputed through the informal dispute resolution process. However, the remedies specified in this letter will be imposed for original deficiencies not corrected. If the deficiencies identified at the revisit require the imposition of a higher category of remedy, we will recommend to the CMS Region V Office that those remedies be imposed.

Original deficiencies corrected but new deficiencies found during the revisit

If new deficiencies are found at the revisit, the remedies specified in this letter will be imposed. If the deficiencies identified at the revisit require the imposition of a higher category of remedy, we will recommend to the CMS Region V Office that those remedies be imposed. You will be provided the required notice before the imposition of a new remedy or informed if another date will be set for the imposition of these remedies.

FAILURE TO ACHIEVE SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE BY THE THIRD OR SIXTH MONTH AFTER THE LAST DAY OF THE SURVEY

If substantial compliance with the regulations is not verified by August 24, 2017 (three months after the identification of noncompliance), the CMS Region V Office must deny payment for new admissions as mandated by the Social Security Act (the Act) at Sections 1819(h)(2)(D) and 1919(h)(2)(C) and Federal regulations at 42 CFR Section 488.417(b). This mandatory denial of payments will be based on the failure to comply with deficiencies originally contained in the Statement of Deficiencies, upon the identification of new deficiencies at the time of the revisit, or if deficiencies have been issued as the

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result of a complaint visit or other survey conducted after the original statement of deficiencies was issued. This mandatory denial of payment is in addition to any remedies that may still be in effect as of this date.

We will also recommend to the CMS Region V Office and/or the Minnesota Department of Human Services that your provider agreement be terminated by November 24, 2017 (six months after the identification of noncompliance) if your facility does not achieve substantial compliance. This action is mandated by the Social Security Act at Sections 1819(h)(2)(C) and 1919(h)(3)(D) and Federal regulations at 42 CFR Sections 488.412 and 488.456.

INFORMAL DISPUTE RESOLUTION

In accordance with 42 CFR 488.331, you have one opportunity to question cited deficiencies through an informal dispute resolution process. You are required to send your written request, along with the specific deficiencies being disputed, and an explanation of why you are disputing those deficiencies, to:

Nursing Home Informal Dispute Process
Minnesota Department of Health
Health Regulation Division
P.O. Box 64900
St. Paul, Minnesota 55164-0900

This request must be sent within the same ten days you have for submitting an ePoC for the cited deficiencies. All requests for an IDR or IIDR of federal deficiencies must be submitted via the web at: http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/fpc/profinfo/ltc/ltc_idr.cfm

You must notify MDH at this website of your request for an IDR or IIDR within the 10 calendar day period allotted for submitting an acceptable electronic plan of correction. A copy of the Department's informal dispute resolution policies are posted on the MDH Information Bulletin website at: <http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/fpc/profinfo/infobul.htm>

Please note that the failure to complete the informal dispute resolution process will not delay the dates specified for compliance or the imposition of remedies.

Questions regarding all documents submitted as a response to the Life Safety Code deficiencies (those preceded by a "K" tag), i.e., the plan of correction, request for waivers, should be directed to:

Mr. Tom Linhoff, Fire Safety Supervisor
Health Care Fire Inspections
Minnesota Department of Public Safety
State Fire Marshal Division
445 Minnesota Street, Suite 145
St. Paul, Minnesota 55101-5145

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Email: tom.linhoff@state.mn.us

Telephone: (651) 430-3012

Fax: (651) 215-0525

Feel free to contact me if you have questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kate Johnston". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Kate JohnsTon, Program Specialist

Program Assurance Unit

Licensing and Certification Program

Health Regulation Division

Minnesota Department of Health

Email: kate.johnston@state.mn.us

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cc: Licensing and Certification File

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STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION		(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 245381	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. BUILDING _____ B. WING _____		(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED C 05/24/2017
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER NEW HARMONY CARE CENTER			STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 135 GERANIUM AVENUE EAST SAINT PAUL, MN 55117		
(X4) ID PREFIX TAG	SUMMARY STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES (EACH DEFICIENCY MUST BE PRECEDED BY FULL REGULATORY OR LSC IDENTIFYING INFORMATION)	ID PREFIX TAG	PROVIDER'S PLAN OF CORRECTION (EACH CORRECTIVE ACTION SHOULD BE CROSS-REFERENCED TO THE APPROPRIATE DEFICIENCY)	(X5) COMPLETION DATE	
F 000	<p>INITIAL COMMENTS</p> <p>On May 21, 22, 23, 24, 2017, a standard survey was completed at your facility by the Minnesota Department of Health to determine if your facility was in compliance with requirements of 42 CFR Part 483, Subpart B, and Requirements for Long Term Care Facilities.</p> <p>The facility is enrolled in ePOC and therefore a signature is not required at the bottom of the first page of the CMS-2567 form. Although no plan of correction is required, it is required that you acknowledge receipt of the electronic documents.</p>	F 000			
LABORATORY DIRECTOR'S OR PROVIDER/SUPPLIER REPRESENTATIVE'S SIGNATURE		TITLE		(X6) DATE	


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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K 000	<p>INITIAL COMMENTS</p> <p>FIRE SAFETY</p> <p>THE FACILITY'S POC WILL SERVE AS YOUR ALLEGATION OF COMPLIANCE UPON THE DEPARTMENT'S ACCEPTANCE. YOUR SIGNATURE AT THE BOTTOM OF THE FIRST PAGE OF THE CMS-2567 WILL BE USED AS VERIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE.</p> <p>UPON RECEIPT OF AN ACCEPTABLE POC, AN ON-SITE REVISIT OF YOUR FACILITY MAY BE CONDUCTED TO VALIDATE THAT SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE HAS BEEN ATTAINED IN ACCORDANCE WITH YOUR VERIFICATION.</p> <p>A Life Safety Code Survey was conducted by the Minnesota Department of Public Safety. At the time of this survey, New Harmony Care Center was found NOT in compliance with the requirements for participation in Medicare/Medicaid at 42 CFR, Subpart 483.70(a), Life Safety from Fire, and the 2012 edition of National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Standard 101, Life Safety Code (LSC), Chapter 19 Existing Health Care.</p> <p>PLEASE RETURN THE PLAN OF CORRECTION FOR THE FIRE SAFETY DEFICIENCIES (K-TAGS) TO:</p> <p>HEALTHCARE FIRE INSPECTIONS STATE FIRE MARSHAL DIVISION 445 MINNESOTA STREET, SUITE 145 ST. PAUL, MN 55101-5145</p> <p>Or by email to:</p>	K 000		
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K 000	<p>Continued From page 1 Marian.Whitney@state.mn.us and Angela.Kappenman@state.mn.us</p> <p>THE PLAN OF CORRECTION FOR EACH DEFICIENCY MUST INCLUDE ALL OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A description of what has been, or will be, done to correct the deficiency. 2. The actual, or proposed, completion date. 3. The name and/or title of the person responsible for correction and monitoring to prevent a reoccurrence of the deficiency. <p>New Harmony Care Center is a 4-story building with a partial basement. The building was constructed at 2 different times. The original building was constructed in 1966 and was determined to be of Type II(222) construction. In 1976, a 3rd Floor addition was constructed and was determined to be of Type II(222) construction. Because the original building and the 1 addition meet the construction type allowed for existing buildings, the facility was surveyed as one building.</p> <p>The building is automatic fire sprinkler protected throughout. The facility has a fire alarm system with smoke detection in the corridors, spaces open to the corridors and all sleeping rooms that is monitored for automatic fire department notification. The facility has a capacity of 76 beds and had a census of 66 at time of the survey.</p> <p>The requirement at 42 CFR, Subpart 483.70(a) is NOT MET as evidenced by:</p>	K 000			

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K 311 SS=F	<p>NFPA 101 Vertical Openings - Enclosure</p> <p>Vertical Openings - Enclosure 2012 EXISTING Stairways, elevator shafts, light and ventilation shafts, chutes, and other vertical openings between floors are enclosed with construction having a fire resistance rating of at least 1 hour. An atrium may be used in accordance with 8.6. 19.3.1.1 through 19.3.1.6 If all vertical openings are properly enclosed with construction providing at least a 2-hour fire resistance rating, also check this box. This STANDARD is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation and interview, the facility failed to provide and maintain the vertical opening protection required by NFPA 101 - 2000 edition, Sections 19.3.1.1, 8.2.5. This deficient practice could affect all 76 residents.</p> <p>Findings include: On facility tour between 09:30 AM and 012:00 PM on 04/14/2016, it was observed that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The basement level of the north stair the elevator machine room opened directly into the stair enclosure. 2. The first floor a storage room opened directly onto the north stair enclosure. 4. The first floor an elevator machine room opened directly onto the central stair enclosure. <p>This deficiency was verified by facility Environment Service Director (JB).</p> <p>Waiver Recommended</p>	K 311	Waiver Renewal submitted -see attachment	6/7/17

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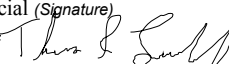
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K 311	Continued From page 3 A waiver has been granted during the last survey and FMS survey.	K 311			

PART IV RECOMMENDATION FOR WAIVER OF SPECIFIC LIFE SAFETY CODE PROVISIONS

For each item of the Life Safety code recommended for waiver, list the survey report form item number and state the reason for the conclusion that: (a) the specific provisions of the code, if rigidly applied, would result in unreasonable hardship on the facility, and (b) the waiver of such unmet provisions will not adversely affect the health and safety of the patients. If additional space is required, attach additional sheet(s).

PROVISION NUMBER(S)	JUSTIFICATION
K 84	<p>A waiver (2017) for K 311 is being requested regarding :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1-the door of the north stair basement level elevator machine room , 2- the door of the central stair first floor elevator machine room, 3- the door of the north stair first floor storage room. <p>The original design of the area containing the two elevator machine room doors and the storage room door as described above are unable to be relocated. The owner cannot change the swing of the door. It would be a financial hardship to relocate the elevator machine rooms and the storage room.</p> <p>The facility's evacuation plan is focused on horizontal movement of residents to smoke compartments on each floor. The stairs would be a rarely used option of evacuation.</p> <p>This waiver does not adversely affect the residents to leave the doors in the stair enclosures because the residents who reside at the facility rarely use the stairs. Residents primarily use the elevators. In emergencies, the doors in the stairs will be shut and out of resident traffic. The doors are on closers and these doors are rarely used.</p> <p>Signage " CAUTION! OPEN DOOR SLOWLY! DO NOT PROP DOOR " are posted inside each of the doors</p>

Surveyor (Signature)	Title	Office	Date
Fire Authority Official (Signature) Thomas R. Linhoff 	Fire Safety Supervisor	State Fire Marshal	06-07-2017