

June 1, 2012

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RE: Right-to-Know Law Request # 065-2012

Dear Ms. Sullenger:

This letter acknowledges receipt by the Pennsylvania Department of Health (“Department”) of your request for records under the Pennsylvania Right-to-Know Law (“RTKL”), 65 P.S. §§ 67.101-67.3104. The Department received your request on April 25, 2012. On May 2, 2012 the Department sent an interim response to your request informing you the Department required up to an additional 30 days for legal review to determine which records identified in your request are subject to access under the RTKL. 65 P.S. § 67.902(a)(4). This is the Department’s final response to your request. Your request is as follows:

1. Documents related to Allentown Medical Services, located at 2200 W. Hamilton Blvd., Ste. 200, Allentown, PA 18104. I am seeking the state’s closure order and any appeals that may have been filed by AMS or Rose Health Services Company. I am also seeking any document that is related to the current status of the clinic and any restrictions there may be on its operation.
2. Documents related to American Women’s Services located at 320 Fort Duquesne Blvd., Ste. 325, Pittsburgh, PA 15222. I am seeking the state’s closure order and any appeals that may have been filed by AMS or Rose Health Services Company. I am also seeking any document that is related to the current status of the clinic and any restrictions there may be on its operation.

The RTKL requires a request to be set forth with “sufficient specificity to enable the agency to ascertain which records are being requested ...” 65 P.S. § 67.703. We have attempted to adequately address and interpret your request for records; however, we are uncertain of your meaning when you state you are looking for “any document that is related to the current status of the clinic and any restrictions there may be on its operations.” The clinics identified in your request are currently closed; neither clinic is currently in operation. The Department is supplying the following records in response to your request:

1. Letter and Order Revoking Registration of American Women’s Services in Pittsburgh, PA, dated April 17, 2012.

2. Letter and Order Revoking Registration of Allentown Medical Services in Allentown, PA, dated April 10, 2012.
3. Hand-delivered letter and order revoking registration of Allentown Medical Services, delivered April 11, 2012.
4. Letter of April 23, 2012 from Julia Gabis to Anna Marie Sossong regarding the revocation of the registration for American Women's Services in Pittsburgh, PA.
5. Letter of May 1, 2012 from Anna Marie Sossong to Julia Gabis regarding the revocation of the registration for American Women's Services in Pittsburgh, PA.
6. Notice of Appeal and Request for an Expedited Hearing regarding the revocation of the registration for American Women's Services in Pittsburgh, PA.
7. Notice of Appeal and Request for Expedited Hearing regarding the revocation of the registration for Allentown Medical Services in Allentown, PA.

To the extent we have misunderstood or misinterpreted your request, or failed to appropriately interpret your request, we recommend that you submit another, more specific request.

As we are supplying electronic copies of the records listed above, there are no duplication or postage fees connected with this request. As a courtesy, any fees which could be imposed for costs necessarily incurred by the Department to provide the records, including costs for search and retrieval of records and redaction, have been waived.

Please be advised that this correspondence will serve to close this record with our office as permitted by law.

Very truly yours,



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Enclosures

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