

Re: Women's Aid Clinic, ASTC License # 7001647 License Surrender

Ms. Rozansky:

As you are aware, the Illinois Department of Public Health ("IDPH" or the "Department") suspended your facility License number 7001647 in October of 2011. (A copy of the Notice of Suspension is attached hereto as Exhibit A.) On October 25, 2011, your clinic filed a hearing request with IDPH to contest the allegations outlined in exhibit A and to fight the suspension. (A copy of the hearing request is attached hereto as Exhibit B.) However, on November 5, 2011, you informed IDPH that after further consideration, Women's Aid Clinic had decided to cease operation as an IDPH licensed entity. (A copy of the notice of closure is attached hereto as Exhibit C.)

On January 12, 2012, the Assistant Director of IDPH, Teresa Garate, Ph.D., signed a final order, granting your request that the hearing request be withdrawn and thus affirming the findings and sanctions contained exhibit A. (A copy of the Final Order is attached hereto as Exhibit D.)

As of the date of this letter, Women's Aid Clinic's license remains suspended and the Clinic is prohibited from conducting any procedure that would require a Pregnancy Termination Center ("PTC") License pursuant to the Ambulatory Surgical Treatment Center Act (the "Act"). 210 ILCS 5/.

In order for the Clinic to complete its closure with regard to the IDPH License, Women's Aid Clinic <u>must</u> take the additional steps outlined below.

## I. <u>Pursuant to Women's Aid Clinic's decision to close, the Clinic MUST return the physical license to IDPH.</u>

Women's Aid Clinic has represented to the Department that it has decided to cease operation as a licensed PTC under the Act. As such, Women's Aid Clinic no longer needs the physical license

issued by IDPH (Lic. No.7001647). IDPH now demands that Women's Aid Clinic return the license to the Department within ten (10) days of receiving this letter. The original license <u>must</u> be mailed to the Illinois Department of Public Health, Division of Health Facilities and Programs, 525 West Jefferson Street, Fourth Floor, Springfield, Illinois, 62761. Please be advised that if Women's Aid Clinic fails to return the original license to the Department within the time proscribed above, the Department will be forced to institute a revocation action against the Clinic.

II. Pursuant to Women's Aid Clinic's decision to withdraw its hearing request, the Clinic MUST pay the Department the Thirty Six Thousand dollar (\$36,000.00) fine assessed in the attached Notice of Summary Suspension.

Women's Aid Clinic officially withdrew its request for a hearing to contest the allegations and remedies contained in the Notice of Summary Suspension. By doing so, Women's Aid Clinic waived its right to contest the assessed fine that was outlined in the Notice attached hereto as exhibit A. As such, the remedies outlined in this notice, including the license suspension and the assessed fine have been officially imposed against the Clinic.

IDPH now demands that Women's Aid Clinic pay the full assessed fine amount as outlined in the original Notice of Summary Suspension within ten (10) days of receiving this letter. A check, made payable to the Illinois Department of Public Health, in the amount of Thirty Six Thousand dollars (\$36,000.00) must be mailed to the Illinois Department of Public Health, Division of Health Facilities and Programs, 525 West Jefferson Street, Fourth Floor, Springfield, Illinois, 62761. Please be advised that if Women's Aid Clinic fails to pay the full assessed fine within the time proscribed above, the Department will be forced to turn this matter over to the Illinois Attorney General's office for collection proceedings.

III. Pursuant to Women's Aid Clinic's decision to withdraw its license and cease operations as a licensed ASTC, the Clinic Must immediately cease and desist from advertising its ability to perform any and all services that would require an active and valid license.

Women's Aid Clinic no longer has a valid, active PTC license. As such, Women's Aid Clinic is prohibited from performing any and all functions that require a Department license, including surgical abortions. It has come to the Department's attention that Women's Aid Clinic's own website (www.womensaidclinic.com) still advertises that surgical abortions are available at the Clinic. (A printout from Women's Aid Clinic's website is attached hereto as Exhibit E.)

IDPH now demands that Women's Aid Clinic immediately remove any and all reference to surgical abortions, and other services that require licensure, from its website. Please be advised that if Women's Aid Clinic fails to remove any such false advertising from its website and other informational materials, the Department will be forced to refer this matter to the Illinois Attorney General's Office, Consumer Protection Division where this matter will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. Women's Aid Clinic must provide proof that all

such false advertising has been removed from the website within ten (10) days of the receipt of this letter.

I look forward to working with you to resolve this matter. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me via e-mail, telephone or U.S. mail.

Sincerely,

William A Bell, Chief

Division of Health Care Facilities and Programs

Illinois Department of Public Health