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Healthcare Quality And Safety Branch

October 9, 2019

Antoinetta Schaalman, RN, Center Administrator Planned Parenthood Of Connecticut Inc-Waterbury 969 West Main Street Waterbury, CT 06702

Dear Ms. Schaalman:

An unannounced visit was made to Planned Parenthood Of Connecticut Inc -Waterbury on May 9, 2019 by a representative of the Facility Licensing and Investigations Section of the Department of Public Health for the purpose of conducting a licensing inspection.

Attached are the violations of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies and/or General Statutes of Connecticut which were noted during the course of the visit.

In accordance with Connecticut General Statutes, section 19a-496, upon a finding of noncompliance with such statutes or regulations, the Department shall issue a written notice of noncompliance to the institution. Not later than ten days after such institution receives a notice of noncompliance, the institution shall submit a plan of correction to the Department in response to the items of noncompliance identified in such notice.

The plan of correction is to be submitted to the Department by October 23, 2019

The plan of correction shall include:

- (1) The measures that the institution intends to implement or systemic changes that the institution intends to make to prevent a recurrence of each identified issue of noncompliance;
- (2) the date each such corrective measure or change by the institution is effective;
- (3) the institution's plan to monitor its quality assessment and performance improvement functions to ensure that the corrective measure or systemic change is sustained; and
- (4) the title of the institution's staff member that is responsible for ensuring the institution's compliance with its plan of correction.

The plan of correction shall be deemed to be the institution's representation of compliance with the identified state statutes or regulations identified in the department's notice of noncompliance. Any institution that fails to submit a plan of correction may be subject to disciplinary action.

You may wish to dispute the violations and you may be provided with the opportunity to be heard. If the violations are not responded to by October 23, 2019 or if a request for a meeting is not made by the stipulated



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date, the violations shall be deemed admitted.

We do not anticipate making any practitioner referrals at this time.

If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to contact this office at (860) 509-7400.

Respectfully,

Heidi Caron, MSN, RN, BC, CLNC Supervising Nurse Consultant Facility Licensing and Investigations Section

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Maintenance.

- 1. Based on review facility documentation, the facility failed to ensure their medical staff were appointed annually. The findings include:
 - a. Review of medical staff credentialing files on 5/9/19 identified that the medical staff were not credentialed annually. Review of facility policy revealed they are appointing and re-appointing their medical staff for a term of 3 years. Interview with the Center Administrator on 5/9/19 identified that they were not aware that the edical staff needed to be credentialed annually.
- 2. Based on facility documentation and observation, the facility failed to monitor the eye wash station water temperature. The findings include:
 - a. Review of the facilities quality assurance logs identified that the facility was not checking the temperature of the water at their emergency eye wash station. The temperature of the water was seen at 120 degrees. Review of the American National Standards Institute and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration recommendations were to keep the temperature between 60 to 100 degrees farenheit. Interview with the Center Administrator on 5/9/19 indicated that the eye wash station temperature was not completed.