TO:

Lacey Martinez, RN

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Health Care Regulation and Quality Improvement

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FROM:

Joy Staples, Administrator

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES

ALLEGATION OF COMPLIANCE – HEALTH SURVEY October 21, 2019

Dear Ms. Martinez,

This letter is to serve as an Allegation of Compliance to correct the Condition-level deficiencies. This Allegation of Compliance will list the deficiencies and reflect the facility's corrections as well.

Q 100 ENVIRONMENT CFR(s) 416.44

The ASC must have a safe and sanitary environment, properly constructed, equipped, and maintained to protect the health and safety of patients.

This CONDITION is not met as evidenced by:

Based on interview it was determined that the facility failed to maintain a system to ensure temperature in ORs were maintained within acceptable standards to ensure protection of the physical safety of all individuals.

Procedure to correct specific deficiency: The relative humidity (RH) protocol has been updated to include daily monitoring temperature in the OR and procedure room. OR staff will receive training on the updated protocol and revised log form. This training will be documented for education and record keeping purposes. The revised log form will include corrective actions when the temperature is not maintained at recommended levels of 68-75 degrees. The OR staff will notify the surgical operations manger and attending physician if the temperature is not maintained within acceptable standards. The administrator misinterpreted this deficiency and only focused on humidity monitoring assuming this also covered temperature. This oversight resulted in this specific deficiency.

The completion date for correction of the above deficiencies will be corrected by October 23, 2019.

Q101 PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT CFR (s): 416.44(a)(1)

The ASC must provide a functional and sanitary environment for the provision of surgical services. Each operating room must be designed and equipped so that the types of surgery conducted can be performed in a manner that protects the lives and assures the physical safety of all individuals in the area.

This STANDARD is not met as evidence by:

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Lovejoy Surgicenter is committed to providing the highest quality of care to our patients and appreciates the information to allow us to do so. Please review the Plan of Correction for a more detailed report of correcting these deficiencies.

Sincerely,

Joy Staples, Administrator Lovejoy Surgicenter

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