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## LEGAL PUBLIC NOTICE OF TERMINATION FROM MEDICARE/MEDICAID PROGRAM

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is providing notice that on October 9, 2024, Abbott Terrace Health Center, 44 Abbott Terrace, Waterbury, CT 06702, a skilled nursing facility in the Medicare program, will no longer participate in the Medicare program. The Medicare provider agreement between Abbott Terrace Health Center and the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) will be terminated on October 9, 2024, due to the facility's failure to meet Medicare's health and safety requirements.

In addition, as authorized by the STATE MEDICAID AGENCY, notice is given that the provider's agreement as a nursing facility in the Medicaid program will also be terminated effective October 9, 2024.

The facility has been notified that Medicare will cease to pay for services furnished to Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries admitted after October 9, 2024, although payment may continue for up to 30 calendar days for patients admitted before the effective date of the denial of payment for new admissions on June 4, 2024. CMS is committed to patient safety and quality of care. We are closely monitoring the relocation of Medicare and Medicaid patients to other facilities.

CMS requires facilities to meet certain health and safety standards to be certified as a Medicare provider. Involuntary termination of a provider agreement is generally a last resort after all other attempts to remedy the deficiencies at a facility have been exhausted. In this instance, CMS has found that Abbott Terrace Health Center is out of compliance with CMS's health and safety requirements. While we understand that relocation of residents and patients can be challenging for all parties involved, CMS prioritizes patient safety and care quality.

For residents, patients, and their family members, CMS recommends visiting the following websites for additional assistance through the relocation process:

- Care Compare Website: <a href="https://www.medicare.gov/care-compare/">https://www.medicare.gov/care-compare/</a>
- Connecticut Long Term Care Ombudsman Program: https://portal.ct.gov/ltcop

Public notice of termination will be posted on the Survey & Certification website at https://www.cms.gov/medicare/health-safety-standards/medicare-termination-notices

For more information, please visit https://www.medicare.gov.

To learn more about the termination process, please visit

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