November 9, 2020

Via Email

Sherman Lohnes, Esq., Director

Division of Health Care Facility Licensure and Certification

Massachusetts Department of Public Health

67 Forest Street

Marlborough, MA 01752

 Re: Newton-Wellesley Hospital – Reduction of Inpatient Pediatric Beds

Dear Attorney Lohnes:

This letter is submitted on behalf of Newton-Wellesley Hospital, located at 2014 Washington Street, Newton, MA 02462 (the “Hospital”). Pursuant to 105 CMR 130.122, the Hospital hereby informs the Department of Public Health (“Department”) that on or about Wednesday, December 9, 2020, it intends to submit a formal ninety-day (90) notice of the proposed reduction of twelve (12) Inpatient Pediatric Beds at its main campus. The unit is currently licensed to operate twenty-four (24) beds. As a result of the proposed reduction, the unit will continue to operate with twelve (12) beds.

Please note that in compliance with the Department’s regulations, the Hospital through separate correspondence is sending notice today to the Hospital’s patient and family council, each staff member of the Hospital, and every labor organization that represents the Hospital’s workforce during the period of the essential services closure process. Additionally, notice is being sent today to the members of the General Court who represent the City of Newton, as well as to City’s Mayor and the City Council President.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Andrew S. Levine

cc: The Honorable Cynthia Stone Creem

 The Honorable Ruth B. Balser

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