

# Norwood Hospital

A STEWARD FAMILY HOSPITAL



December 22, 2021

Via Email

Stephen Davis, Director  
Division of Health Care Facility Licensure and Certification  
Department of Public Health  
67 Forest Street, Marlborough, MA 01752

Re: Steward Health Care System LLC – Norwood Hospital – Closure of Obstetrics Services

Dear Mr. Davis:

This letter is submitted on behalf of Steward Health Care System LLC (the “Medical Center”), which owns and operates Norwood Hospital, located at 800 Washington Street, Norwood, Massachusetts 02062”). Pursuant to 105 CMR 130.122, the Medical Center hereby informs the Department of Public Health (“Department”) that on or about January 19, 2022, it intends to submit a formal ninety-day (90) notice of the proposed closure of obstetrics services in its hospital.

As you may be aware, pre-natal care for the expectant mothers will continue locally in Norwood, and deliveries will primarily occur at St. Elizabeth’s Medical Center and other hospitals as needed, as has occurred since the closure of Norwood Hospital in June 2020. Please note that in compliance with the Department’s regulations, the Medical Center through separate correspondence is sending notice today to the Medical Center’s patient and family council, each staff member of the Medical Center, and every labor organization that represents the Medical Center’s workforce during the period of the essential services closure process. Notice is being sent today to the members of the General Court who represent Norwood, as well as appropriate local elected officials.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions, please contact Andrew Levine, Esq., Husch Blackwell LLP at 617-598-6758 (Andrew.levine@huschblackwell.com).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Salvatore Perla'.

Salvatore Perla, DrPH  
President, Norwood Hospital

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