

October 2, 2023

VIA E-MAIL AND OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

Walter Mackie, J.D.
Licensure Unit Coordinator
Massachusetts Department of Public Health
Division of Health Care Facility Licensure and Certification
67 Forest Street
Marlborough, MA 01752

Re: Notice of Intent to Close: South Dennis Healthcare

Dear Mr. Mackie:

Please accept this Notice of Intent to Close South Dennis Healthcare (“South Dennis” or the “Facility”) located at 1 Love Lane, South Dennis, Massachusetts 02660, effective on or about January 30, 2024 following completion of the regulatory process for voluntary closure of a long-term care facility required by the Department of Public Health. Attached please find our Proposed Closure and Relocation Plan (the “Closure Plan”).

On December 1, 2017, One Love Lane Operator, LLC d/b/a South Dennis Healthcare, a wholly owned affiliate of Next Step Healthcare LLC (“Next Step”), began leasing and operating the Facility. The Facility’s original landlord has sold the Facility to a new landlord which has decided to repurpose the Facility and is requiring that Next Step close the Facility to facilitate the new use. The new landlord has agreed to lease the Facility to South Dennis Healthcare to provide sufficient time to complete the closure process. The Facility’s representatives whom residents, family members, staff or other interested parties may contact with questions they may have regarding the proposed closure are:

Damian Dell’Anno, Vice President of Operations - Next Step Healthcare,
(888)-243-4646 or by e-mail at info@nextstephc.com

We will work with the Department of Public Health to schedule a public hearing on the proposed closure of the Facility at least 90 days prior to the proposed closure date of January 30, 2024. A copy of the public hearing notice will be posted at the Facility and will be made available by the Facility’s Administrator upon request. At least 14 days prior to the public hearing, South Dennis will provide a written notice regarding the date, time, and place of the hearing to each person who is receiving this Notice of Intent to Close. Interested parties may file comments on the proposed closure and the Closure Plan with the Department of Public Health up until the date of the public hearing.



We will be working with residents and their families, with our employees and with the state agencies, including the Department of Public Health, throughout this process to assure the orderly transition of care for our residents.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "William H. Stephan". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "W".

William H. Stephan
Chief Financial Officer, South Dennis Healthcare

Notice List
 For the Notice of Intent to Close and Notice of Public Hearing
 Regarding South Dennis Healthcare

Notice Party <i>Notice method</i>	Address
Resident / legal representative <i>By First Class Mail and By Hand to residents</i>	In person at the facility – 1 Love Lane, South Dennis, MA 02660 Resident’s permanent residence address on file Address on file for legal representatives
Designated Family Member <i>By First Class Mail</i>	Address on file for designated family members
Resident Council <i>By Hand</i>	1 Love Lane, South Dennis, MA 02660
Employee / Staff Member <i>By First Class Mail and Distributed at the Facility</i>	Address on file for employee And distributed at the Facility
Each Labor Organization	1199 SEIU United Healthcare Workers East Attn: Lena Rodriguez, Vice President-LTC 108 Myrtle St., 4th Floor Quincy, MA 02171
State Ombudsman <i>By First Class Mail</i>	Mass. Executive Office of Public Health Ombudsman Office One Ashburton Place, 5 th Floor Boston, MA 02108
Local Ombudsman <i>By First Class Mail</i>	Elder Services of Cape Cod & Islands Attn: Julianna Santiago, Program Director 68 Route 134 South Dennis, MA 02660-3774
Members of the General Court who represent the Village of Chestnut Hill <i>By First Class Mail</i>	Senator Julian Cyr (Room 111) Representative Christopher R. Flanagan (Room 26) 24 Beacon Street Boston MA 02133
Representative of the Local Officials, Village of Chestnut Hill <i>By First Class Mail</i>	Town Administrator Elizabeth Sullivan Town of Dennis 685 Route 134 South Dennis, MA 02660