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August 31, 2022

# 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: Attleboro Healthcare Dear Mr. Mackie:

Please accept this Notice of lntent to Close Attleboro Healthcare ("Attleboro" or the "Facility") located at 27 George Street, Attleboro, Massachusetts 02703, effective on or about December 29, 2022 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 September 1, 2017, 27 George Street Operator LLC (d/b/a Attleboro Healthcare), a wholly-owned affiliate of Next Step Healthcare LLC ("Next Step") began leasing Attleboro and operating the Facility. Recently, after discussions with the Facility's landlord regarding the Facility's low occupancy and difficult labor market driven by the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and the resulting poor financial performance, the decision was made to close the Facility. 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:

Andrew Almeida, Vice President of Operations - Next Step Healthcare, (508)-226-1650 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 December 29, 2022. 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, Attleboro 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.



27 George Street

Attleboro, MA 02703

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,

William H. Stephan

Chief Financial Officer, Attleboro Healthcare

Notice List

For the Notice of Intent to Close and Notice of Public Hearing Regarding Attleboro Healthcare

# Notice Party

*Notice method*

Address

**Resident/ legal representative** In person at the facility - 27 George Street, Attleboro, MA

*By First Class Mall and* 02703

*By Hand to residents* Resident's permanent residence address on file

Address on file for leial representatives **Designated Family Member** Address on file for designated family members *By First Class Mall*

**Resident** Council

*By Hand*

**Employee/ Staff Member** *By First Class Mail and Distributed at the Facility*

27 George Street, Attleboro, MA 02703

Address on file for employee And distributed at the Facility

**Each Labor Organization** 1199SEIU United Healthcare Workers East Massachusetts

108 Myrtle Street #4

Quincy, MA 02171

# State Ombudsman

*By First Class Mail*

Local **Ombudsman**

*By First Class Mail*

# Members of the General Court who represent the VIiiage of Chestnut HIii

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**Representative of** the Local Officials, **VIiiage of** Chestnut HIii

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Mass. Executive Office of Public Health Ombudsman Office

One Ashburton Place, 5th Floor Boston, MA 02108

Bristol Elder Services

Attn: John Ropiak, Ombudsman 1 Father DeValles Boulevard Unit8

Fall **River, MA** 02723

Senator Paul R. Feeney (Room 112) Representative James K. Hawkins (Room 472) 24 Beacon Street

Boston MA 02133 Mayor Paul Heroux City of Attleboro 77 Park Street

Attleboro, MA 02703