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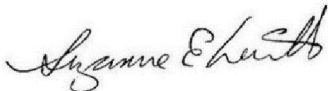
Mr. Brian Nall, Ceo  
North Country Hospital And Health Center  
189 Prouty Drive  
Newport, VT 05855

Dear Mr. Nall:

The Division of Licensing and Protection completed an investigation at your facility on **March 2, 2022**. The purpose of the survey was to determine if your facility met the conditions of participation for Critical Access Hospitals found in 42 CFR Part 485, Subpart F including the special requirements for swing bed providers.

This investigation found that your facility was in substantial compliance with the participation requirements.

Sincerely,



Suzanne Leavitt, RN, MS  
State Survey Agency Director  
Assistant Director, Division of Licensing & Protection

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES

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STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION		(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:  <b>471304</b>	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. BUILDING _____  B. WING _____		(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED  <b>C</b> <b>03/02/2022</b>
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER  <b>NORTH COUNTRY HOSPITAL AND HEALTH CENTER</b>			STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE <b>189 PROUTY DRIVE</b> <b>NEWPORT, VT 05855</b>		
(X4) ID PREFIX TAG	SUMMARY STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES (EACH DEFICIENCY MUST BE PRECEDED BY FULL REGULATORY OR LSC IDENTIFYING INFORMATION)	ID PREFIX TAG	PROVIDER'S PLAN OF CORRECTION (EACH CORRECTIVE ACTION SHOULD BE CROSS-REFERENCED TO THE APPROPRIATE DEFICIENCY)	(X5) COMPLETION DATE	
C 000	<p>INITIAL COMMENTS</p> <p>An unannounced onsite complaint (#20512) investigation was conducted by the Division of Licensing and Protection on 03/02/22 to review the following Conditions of Participation (COPs): Staffing and Staff Responsibilities (485.631), Provision of Services (485.635), Surgical Services (485.639), and QAPI (485.641) as authorized by CMS. There were no regulatory violations identified.</p>	C 000			
LABORATORY DIRECTOR'S OR PROVIDER/SUPPLIER REPRESENTATIVE'S SIGNATURE			TITLE		(X6) DATE

Any deficiency statement ending with an asterisk (\*) denotes a deficiency which the institution may be excused from correcting providing it is determined that other safeguards provide sufficient protection to the patients. (See instructions.) Except for nursing homes, the findings stated above are disclosable 90 days following the date of survey whether or not a plan of correction is provided. For nursing homes, the above findings and plans of correction are disclosable 14 days following the date these documents are made available to the facility. If deficiencies are cited, an approved plan of correction is requisite to continued program participation.