
Center for Clinical Standards and Quality/Survey & Certification Group

Notice to Public of Involuntary Termination

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The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is providing notice that on February 14, 2019, Dr. Howard Schultheiss, Jr, DPM located at 437 South Main Street, Bel Air, MD will no longer participate in the Medicare program. The Medicare supplier agreement between the Ambulatory Surgery Center and the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) terminated on February 14, 2019, due to its failure to meet Medicare's basic health and safety requirements.

The facility has been notified that Medicare will cease to pay for services furnished to Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries admitted on or after February 14, 2019. CMS is committed to patient safety and quality of care.

CMS requires facilities to meet certain health and safety standards to be certified as a Medicare provider. Involuntary termination of a provider agreement is generally a last resort after all other attempts to remedy the deficiencies at a facility have been exhausted. In this instance, the Philadelphia CMS Regional Office has found that Dr. Howard Schultheiss, Jr, DPM is out of compliance with CMS basic health and safety requirements.

While we understand the relocation of residents and patients can be challenging for all parties involved, CMS prioritizes patient safety and care quality.

The report of findings associated with this termination action are available through the Philadelphia Regional Office Freedom of Information Officer. Please contact Lorraine Ryan, Public Affairs Officer, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Philadelphia Regional Office, 215-861-4250, lorraine.ryan@cms.hhs.gov for additional information.

As of October 1, 2017 (for Ambulatory Surgical Centers [ASCs], Federally Qualified Health Centers [FQHCs], Rural Health Clinics [RHCs] and Organ Procurement Organizations [OPOs]), and August 18, 2017 for all other certified providers and suppliers, public notice of termination will be posted on the Survey & Certification website at <https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Provider-Enrollment-and-Certification/SurveyCertificationGenInfo/Termination-Notices.html>

For more information, please visit <https://www.medicare.gov>. To learn more about the termination process, please visit [www https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Provider-Enrollment-and-Certification/SurveyCertificationGenInfo/index.html](https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Provider-Enrollment-and-Certification/SurveyCertificationGenInfo/index.html).

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