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Termination Notice

**NOTICE TO PUBLIC OF FIRCREST SCHOOL PAT A (A.K.A. THE FIRCREST SCHOOL)
INVOLUNTARY TERMINATION**

Date January 11, 2018

Title Notice to the Public of the Fircrest School Involuntary Termination

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The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is providing notice that on February 19, 2018, the Fircrest School, will no longer participate in the Medicaid program. The Medicaid provider agreement between the Fircrest School PAT A and the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) is cancelled on February 19, 2018, due to their failure to meet Medicaid's basic health and safety requirements.

The facility has been notified that Medicaid will cease to pay for services furnished to Medicaid beneficiaries admitted after February 19, 2018, although payment may continue for up to 30 calendar days for patients admitted on or before February 19, 2018. CMS is committed to patient safety and quality of care. We are closely monitoring the relocation of Medicaid patients to other facilities.

CMS requires facilities to meet certain health and safety standards to be certified as a Medicaid 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 Seattle Regional Office has found that the Fircrest School PAT A is out of compliance with CMS basic health and safety requirements.

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