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**LEGAL NOTICE of
TERMINATION FROM MEDICARE PROGRAM**

On July 9, 2018, the Department of Health and Human Services' (DHHS) will terminate its Medicare provider agreement with Western State Hospital (Western), located in Tacoma, Washington. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), which has been delegated DHHS's responsibility for administering the Medicare program, takes this action after efforts to get Western to demonstrate substantial compliance with the Medicare Conditions of Participation. On May 25, 2018, CMS completed an unannounced survey and determined that, despite improvements, Western had not achieved substantial compliance. Based on the survey findings, CMS determined that Western did not meet the following Medicare Conditions of Participation:

- 42 C.F.R § 482.12 (Governing Body);**
- 42 C.F.R § 482.21 (Quality Assessments and Performance Improvement);**
- 42 C.F.R § 482.23 (Nursing Service); and**
- 42 C.F.R § 482.41 (Physical Environment).**

The Medicare program will not make payment for services Western furnishes to patients it admits after July 8, 2018. For patients admitted before July 9, 2018, however, payment may continue for up to a maximum of 30 additional days of inpatient services.

CMS makes this Legal Notice in accordance with 42 C.F.R. § 489.54(d).

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