



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

**NOTICE OF IMMEDIATE STOP PLACEMENT LIMITING OR PROHIBITING
ADMISSIONS**

DATE: 4/23/2022

Licensee: BHC Fairfax Hospital
Address: 10200 NE 132nd St Kirkland, WA 98034-2899
License No: HPSY.FS.00000004

Re: Case No. 2022-2123, 2022-3363, & 2022-3389

Dear Licensee:

This is notice of a limited stop placement of admissions imposed on your psychiatric hospital license, located at 10200 NE 132nd St Kirkland, WA 98034-2899 pursuant to Chapter 71.12 RCW and WAC 246-322. **The stop placement limiting admissions to your psychiatric hospital is effective immediately upon receipt of this notice.**

Basis for Stop Placement Limiting Admissions

On 4/21/2022 6:00 PM, the Department of Health, Office of Health Systems Oversight (department) conducted an investigation at your facility and found deficient practices or conditions, more fully described below that constitute an immediate jeopardy. On 4/21/2022 the department provided the facility written notification of the immediate jeopardy and the facility had twenty-four (24) hours to develop and implement a department approved plan to address the immediate jeopardy or the facility may be subject to enforcement action.

On 4/23/2022 9:12 AM the department conducted a revisit inspection which verified that the facility did not develop and implement a department-approved plan to address the immediate jeopardy within twenty-four hours. Accordingly, the department is authorized to impose a limited stop placement that takes effect immediately.

Deficient Practices or Conditions

This stop placement is based on the following violations of chapter 71.12 RCW and chapter 246-322 WAC: WAC 246-322-035 Policies and Procedures – Develop and implement policies and procedures to manage assaultive, self-destructive, or out of control behaviors.

Based on observation, interview, and document review, the hospital failed to ensure that staff provided patient care in a safe setting by the failure to identify patients at increased risk for harm, the failure to implement a plan of care for the prevention of sexual aggression or victimization, suicidal behaviors, and self-harm behaviors, and the failure to maintain a safe patient care environment by effectively conducting environmental rounds and patient observations, as directed by the hospital's policies and procedures.

Scope of the Stop Placement

The above noncompliance continues to pose immediate jeopardy as defined in chapter 71.12 RCW and chapter 246-322 WAC:

Stop placement prohibiting all admissions of new patients. The deficient practices or conditions that constitute an immediate jeopardy are not limited to a particular category of patient or section of the hospital. Your facility may not admit any new patients until this stop placement is terminated by the department.

Limited stop placement because the deficient practices or conditions that constitute an immediate jeopardy apply only to the following category/categories of patients or section(s) of your facility as follows: patients under the age of 18. Your facility may not admit any new patients belonging to the above referenced category/categories or to the above referenced section(s) of the facility.

Terminating the Stop Placement:

The department will terminate the stop placement when the department verifies the violation necessitating the stop placement has been corrected, or the department determines that your hospital has taken intermediate action to address the immediate jeopardy; and establishes the ability to maintain correction of the violations previously found deficient. To request an on-site follow-up inspection to verify the above, please complete and submit the enclosed request form.

Request for and Adjudicative Proceeding:

The facility has the right to contest the stop placement by requesting an adjudicative proceeding. To contest the department's decision, you or your representative must file a written request with the department's Adjudicative Service Unit (ASU) in a manner that shows proof of service on the ASU within Twenty-Eight (28) days from receipt of this decision.

The mailing address is:

Department of Health

Adjudicative Service Office

Post Office Box 47879

Olympia, WA 98504-7879

Email: ACOfax@doh.wa.gov (For filing under the emergency rules)

The physical address is:

Department of Health

Adjudicative Service Office

111 Israel Road SE

Tumwater, WA 98501

Dated: 04 / 23 / 22, 20

By: Wen Bann RN

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