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May 6, 2020

Ms. Andrea Dwyer, Administrator Sagepoint Nursing and Rehabilitation Center 10200 La Plata Road La Plata, MD 20646 Provider Number: 215106

Delivered via email to: <a href="mailto:adwyer@sagepointcare.org">adwyer@sagepointcare.org</a>

Dear Ms. Dwyer:

Beginning April 21, 2020 and through May 6, 2020, a survey was conducted at your facility by the Office of Health Care Quality to determine if your facility was in compliance with State regulations. This survey found that your facility was not in substantial compliance with the State regulations. In fact, conditions at your facility posed immediate and serious jeopardy to the health and safety of your residents.

Your facility failed to implement an effective infection control program in accordance with standards of care and the guidelines provided by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), and Maryland Department of Health (MDH) during a declared State of emergency and healthcare pandemic. The deficiencies include failure to obtain critical lab results timely, failure to use appropriate hand hygiene, failure to appropriately use personal protective equipment (PPE), and failure to cohort residents with suspected or known COVID-19.

Based upon the deficiencies cited at your facility, OHCQ will be imposing a daily Civil Money Penalty (CMP) of \$10,000 per day for widespread deficiencies, beginning March 30, 2020, and continuing until the facility regains substantial compliance with the State regulations.

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Based on the seriousness of these findings, it is imperative that you immediately determine the measures that are necessary to correct these deficient practices, what systemic changes you will develop to ensure that this does not happen again, and what quality improvement process will be implemented to oversee the system.

The statement of deficiencies related to this survey will be issued in the next few days. The accompanying cover letter will include additional details and further instructions. If you have any questions at this time, contact David Cherry, Deputy Director of Long Term Care at 410-402-8101 or via email at david.cherry@maryland.gov

Sincerely,

Patricia Tomsko May, Mod Patricia Tomsko Nay, M.D.

**Executive Director** 

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