



May 9, 2008

RE: ORG ID #452133
Date of Unannounced Deemed Status
Survey: April 3 – 4, 2008

Rod L. Graber
Director
Halcyon Hospice and Palliative Care
2600 Eudora Street
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Dear Mr. Graber:

This letter confirms your recent unannounced survey on April 3 – 4, 2008, conducted under the deemed status survey option for hospice agencies, subject to compliance with the Joint Commission standards that are comparable to Medicare conditions of participation for hospice agencies. Your organization had no Medicare deficiencies as a result of this survey. The Joint Commission recommends Medicare certification for your hospice services. Additionally, the effective date of your Joint Commission accreditation is May 2, 2008, based on submission of corrective actions for Joint Commission accreditation requirements.

We direct your attention to some important Joint Commission policies. First, your Medicare report is publicly accessible as required by the Joint Commission's agreement with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. Second, Joint Commission policy requires that you inform us of any changes in the name or ownership of your organization, or health care services you provide.

Sincerely,

Linda S. Murphy-Knoll
Interim Executive Vice President
Division of Accreditation and Certification Operations

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