

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES  
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services  
Western Division of Survey and Certification  
Seattle Regional Office  
701 Fifth Avenue, Suite 1600  
Seattle, WA 98104



**IMPORTANT NOTICE – PLEASE READ CAREFULLY**

**THIS SERVES AS OFFICIAL NOTICE SENT VIA FACSIMILE PURSUANT TO 42  
CFR §488.  
NO HARD COPY TO FOLLOW.**

February 26, 2016

Mr. Ron Adler  
Chief Executive Officer  
Western State Hospital  
9601 Steilacoom Blvd. SW  
Lakewood WA. 98496

CMS Certification Number: 50-4003

**Re: Notice of CMS Modification to Enforcement Action on Western State Hospital -  
Extension of Termination Date to April 1, 2016**

Dear Mr. Adler:

This notice updates my letter to Western State Hospital dated December 4, 2015 (see attachment). It notified you that the Medicare Provider Agreement for Western State Hospital would be terminated effective March 1, 2016. To allow time to complete the current onsite revisit to verify compliance, this letter notifies you we are extending the termination date to April 1, 2016.

If Western State Hospital does not return to substantial compliance with all Medicare Conditions of Participation for Hospitals before April 1, 2016, CMS will terminate the hospital's provider agreement. To comply with 42 C.F.R. § 489.53(d), this office will publish legal notice in a local newspaper by March 17, 2016, which is at least 15 days before the termination date established by this letter.

If you have any questions, please contact Aileen Renolayan of my staff at (206) 615-2041 or by

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email at [aileen.renolayan@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:aileen.renolayan@cms.hhs.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Patrick L. Thrift, acting". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath.

Patrick L. Thrift, Manager  
Division of Survey, Certification & Enforcement  
CMS Regional Office - Seattle

Attachment: CMS Termination Letter to Western State Hospital (December 4, 2015)

cc: Washington State Department of Health  
DHHS - Office of General Counsel  
The Joint Commission