

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

May 1, 2015

Tammy Hreha, Administrator
Planned Parenthood Of Connecticut Inc - Torrington
249 Winsted Road
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Dear Ms. Hreha:

An unannounced visit was made to Planned Parenthood Of Connecticut Inc. of Torrington on June 2, 2014 by a representative of the Facility Licensing and Investigations Section of the Department of Public Health for the purpose of conducting a licensing inspection.

Attached is the violation of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies and/or General Statutes of Connecticut which was noted during the course of the visit.


You may wish to dispute the violation and you may be provided with the opportunity to be heard. If the violation is not responded to by May 15, 2015 or if a request for a meeting is not made by the stipulated date, the violation shall be deemed admitted.

Please address the violation with a prospective plan of correction which includes the following components within fourteen days of the date of this letter:

1. Measures to prevent the recurrence of the identified violation, (e.g., policy/procedure, inservice program, repairs, etc.).
2. Date corrective measure will be effected.
3. Identify the staff member, by title, who has been designated the responsibility for monitoring the individual plan of correction submitted for each violation.

If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to contact this office at (860) 509-7400.

Respectfully,


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DATE(S) OF VISIT: June 2, 2014

THE FOLLOWING VIOLATION(S) OF THE REGULATIONS OF CONNECTICUT
STATE AGENCIES AND/OR CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES
WERE IDENTIFIED

The following is a violation of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies Section 19-13-D48 Professional staff (b) (2) and/or 19-13-D51 and/or 19-13-D51 Pharmaceuticals and/or 19-13-D52 Maintenance

1. Based on review of facility documentation, surveyor observation and interview with agency personnel, the facility staff failed to follow acceptable infection control practices. The findings include:
 - a. A tour of the facility on 06/02/14 with the facility Manager identified two opened multi-dose vials of 50 milliliters (ml) Lidocaine Hydrochloride 1% (10mg/ml) on a shelf in the supply storage room. One vial was not marked with the opening date or the discard date. The other vial was marked "8/14."

Interview with the facility Manager on 06/02/14 indicated that the multi-dose vials should have been labeled with an opening date and a discard date, and that the numbers "8/14" failed to clarify the opening or discard date of the second vial.

Interview and review of the facility policy with the Director of Nursing on 06/03/14 and 06/05/14 indicated that an opened and/or accessed (needle-punctured) multi-dose vial required marking with an opening date and a discard date in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and local regulations, with a discard date within 28 days of the opening date in the absence of specific guidelines.

The manufacturer's guidelines included recommendations for a safe use time period after a multi-dose vial was accessed.

The Center for Disease Control (CDC)

http://www.cdc.gov/injectionsafety/providers/provider_faqs_multivials.html retrieved on 06/05/14, directed the dating and discarding within 28 days of opened and accessed (needle-punctured) multi-dose vials, unless the manufacturer specified a different discard date.



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*Received
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J. Hreha*

June 30, 2015

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is in response to the violation of Section 19-13-D48 Professional staff (b)(2) and/or 19-13-D51 and/or 19-13-D51 Pharmaceuticals and/or 19-13-D52 Maintenance.

Since the finding of this violation:

- 1) On June 10, 2014 a policy change has occurred. We are currently using smaller 20ml bottles of Lidocaine which are labeled with date of opening and 28 day expiration date. As well as the initials of the person who started the bottle.
- 2) Current lot numbers of Lidocaine are tracked in our Medication Tracking Log Book.
- 3) A staff in service had occurred on June 12, 2014. All staff in the Torrington office has been trained on this new process and is aware of the importance of this process.
- 4) To ensure this procedure is being followed, it is monitored by the Center Manager on a regular basis.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at 860-496-8405

Respectfully,

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