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Interim CEO

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**South Sound Behavioral Hospital  
 Plan of Correction for  
 State Licensing or Medicare Hospital/Critical Access Hospital Survey  
 9/16/2020 to 9/18/2020**

Tag Number	How Corrected	Date Completed	Results of Monitoring
L 350	<p><b>Fit Testing</b></p> <p>Complete fit testing of N95 respirators for all staff who have contact with patients and housekeeping staff. To be completed by vendor, Northwest Response, on dates of services 10/19, 10/21, and 10/32 of 2020.</p> <p>Schedule return of Northwest Response for fit testing of new employees every two weeks during New Employee Orientation beginning the week of 10/29/2020 or as orientation schedule requires.</p>	10/23/2020 and ongoing.	100% of all staff were completed by Northwest Response on service dates. SSBH due to concern of future scheduling conflicts, had the Infection Control officer and two other selected employees additionally were trained to complete the fit test for future employees. This was completed on 12/18/2020. The company used was Forensic Analytical Consulting Services (FACS). The training was completed for ongoing compliance.
L 560	<p><b>Training and Documentation:</b></p> <p>Documentation of staff training related to COVID-19 is completed for each staff member who have direct patient care and/or housekeeping responsibilities.</p>	10/23/2020 and ongoing	100% of all SSBH employees have completed the training. 100% of all New Employees during orientation complete the COVID-19 training and is placed into the employees HR file and maintained by human resources.



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01/12/21

Tamra McClurken  
Performance Improvement and Risk Manager  
South Sound Behavioral Hospital  
605 Woodland Square Loop SE  
Lacey, WA 98503

**Re: Complaint #2020-12867; 2020-12735; 2020-12735**

Dear Ms. McClurken:

Investigators from the Washington State Department of Health conducted a state hospital licensing complaint investigation at South Sound Behavioral Hospital on 09/17/20 to 09/18/20. Hospital staff members developed a plan of correction to correct deficiencies cited during this investigation. This plan of correction was approved on 10/09/20.

Hospital staff members sent a Progress Report dated 01/12/21 that indicates all deficiencies have been corrected. The Department of Health accepts South Sound Behavioral Hospital's attestation that it will correct all deficiencies cited at Chapter 246-322 WAC.

We sincerely appreciate your cooperation and hard work during the investigation process.

Sincerely,

/s/Deborah Barrette

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