DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Center for Clinical Standards and Quality Survey & Operations Group Division of SF/Seattle Survey & Enforcement SF/Seattle Acute & Continuing Care Branch



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Golden Key Hospice 13083 Van Nuys Blvd, Suite 4 Pacoima, CA 91331

LEGAL NOTICE OF TERMINATION FROM MEDICARE PROGRAM

Effective on **November 29, 2024**, the Secretary of the Department of Health & Human Services will terminate its Medicare Provider Agreement with Golden Key Hospice Inc. A Medicare complaint validation survey conducted on October 25, 2024, found Golden Key Hospice Inc. was not in compliance with requirements for participation in the Medicare and Medicaid programs as established by the Social Security Act (Section 1861) and its underlying regulations and conditions in the facility constituted immediate jeopardy (IJ) to patient heath or safety.

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has determined that Golden Key Hospice Inc. was not in compliance with the following two Medicare Conditions of Participation for Hospice (HA) services:

42 C.F.R. § 418.54 Initial and Comprehensive assessment of the patient IDG 42 C.F.R. § 418.56 Care Planning & Coordination of Services 42 C.F.R. § 418.114 Personnel Qualifications

Medicare and Medicaid programs will not make payments for services furnished to patients who were admitted on or after November 29, 2024. For patients admitted prior to November 29, 2024, payment may be available for up to thirty (30) calendar days after the effective date of termination.

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