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## NORTHEAST CONSORTIUM/DIVISION OF SURVEY AND CERTIFICATION/BOSTON

December 1, 2015

Dr. Robert E. Simpson Jr.
President & Chief Executive Officer
Brattleboro Retreat
One Anna Marsh Lane
Brattleboro, Vermont 05301



Dear Dr. Simpson:

Thank you for the courtesies extended to both the Vermont Division of Licensing & Protection surveyors and my staff during the November 16 - 19, 2015 full survey of Brattleboro Retreat.

The Centers for Medicare and & Medicaid Services and Brattleboro Retreat entered into a Systems Improvement Agreement on October 31, 2014, which has allowed the continued operation of the hospital, while implementing specific terms to address immediate concerns, identify underlying system issues and redesign processes, policies and procedures and other defined improvement activities to affect positive clinical outcomes for patients.

Based on the findings of the full survey, your hospital has achieved and maintained Condition-level compliance to this date. As a result, CMS is restoring Brattleboro Retreat to have deemed status under the Joint Commission. In addition, based on the impressive progress and strides the hospital has made over the past year, CMS releases your hospital from the Systems Improvement Agreement, effective December 1, 2015.

If you have any questions, please contact Paul Miller of my staff at (617) 565 – 9160.

Sincerely

. William Roberson

Associate Regional Administrator

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