



**Department  
of Health**

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**DEC 26 2019**

**By Certified Mail only**

Planned Parenthood Southwest Ohio Region  
c/o Vanessa Hinsdale, Administrator  
2314 Auburn Avenue  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45219

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Planned Parenthood Southwest Ohio Region  
c/o Alphonse A. Gerhardstein, Statutory Agent  
441 Vine Street, Suite 3400  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

**Re: Planned Parenthood of Southwest Ohio Region  
License Number: 0286AS  
Case Number: 19-BRO-0567  
Proposed Revocation of License**

Dear Ms. Hinsdale and Mr. Gerhardstein:

I propose to issue an Order revoking Planned Parenthood Southwest Ohio Region's (PPSWO) health care facility license (ambulatory surgical facility) in accordance with Revised Code (R.C.) Chapter 119 and R.C. 3702.32(D)(2) due to violations of R.C. 3702.303 and Ohio Administrative Code (O.A.C.) 3701-83-19(E). R.C. 3702.303(A) requires an ambulatory surgical facility have a written transfer agreement with a local hospital for the safe and immediate transfer of patients when medical care is needed beyond that which can be provided in the facility. O.A.C. 3701-83-19(E) requires an ambulatory surgical facility have a written transfer agreement with a hospital for the transfer of patients in the event of medical complications, emergency situations, and for other needs as they arise.

PPSWO does not have a written transfer agreement with a local hospital and is not in compliance with R.C. 3702.303 or O.A.C. 3701-83-19(E).

Specifically, PPSWO does not meet the requirements of R.C. 3702.303 because it does not have a written transfer agreement with "a local hospital that specifies an effective procedure for the safe and immediate transfer of patients from the facility to the hospital when medical care beyond the care that can be provided at the ambulatory surgical facility is necessary, including when emergency situations occur or medical complications arise." Additionally, PPSWO does not meet the requirements of O.A.C. 3701-83-19(E) because it does not have a written transfer agreement "with a hospital for transfer of patients in the event of medical complications, emergency situations, and for other needs as they arise."


You may request a hearing before me or my duly authorized representative concerning my proposal to deny you a license to operate Planned Parenthood of Southwest Ohio Region. **Such request must be made in writing and received within 30 days of receipt of this notice** and should be directed to Heather Coglianese, Ohio

Department of Health, 246 N. High Street, Seventh Floor, Columbus, Ohio, 43215. A request is considered timely if it is received by the Department of Health via facsimile at (614) 564-2509, hand delivery, or ordinary United States mail within 30 days of the date of receipt of this letter.

At any hearing, you may appear in person or be represented by your attorney, you may present evidence, and you may examine witnesses appearing for and against you. You also may present your position, contentions, and arguments in writing. If you are a corporation, you must be represented at the hearing by an attorney licensed to practice in the state of Ohio.

If you have questions about this notice, please contact the Bureau of Regulatory Operations at 614-644-6220.

Sincerely,



Amy Acton, M.D., MPH  
Director of Health

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