

SAFETY INSPECTION REPORT AND COMPLIANCE INSPECTION

1. LICENSEE/LOCATION INSPECTED:

Community Care Network
103 E. 89th Ave.
Merrillville, IN 46410

REPORT NUMBER(S) 2018001

2. NRC/REGIONAL OFFICE

Region III
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
2443 Warrenville Road, Suite 210
Lisle, IL 60532-4352

3. DOCKET NUMBER(S)

030-36408

4. LICENSE NUMBER(S)

13-32478-01

5. DATE(S) OF INSPECTION

08/28/2018

LICENSEE:

The inspection was an examination of the activities conducted under your license as they relate to radiation safety and to compliance with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) rules and regulations and the conditions of your license. The inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspector. The inspection findings are as follows:

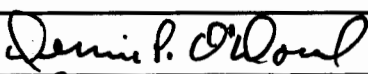
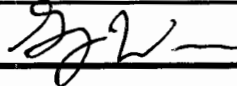
- ☒ 1. Based on the inspection findings, no violations were identified.
- ☐ 2. Previous violation(s) closed.
- ☐ 3. The violation(s), specifically described to you by the inspector as non-cited violations, are not being cited because they were self-identified, non-repetitive, and corrective action was or is being taken, and the remaining criteria in the NRC Enforcement Policy, to exercise discretion, were satisfied.

Non-cited violation(s) were discussed involving the following requirement(s):

- ☐ 4. During this inspection, certain of your activities, as described below and/or attached, were in violation of NRC requirements and are being cited in accordance with NRC Enforcement Policy. This form is a NOTICE OF VIOLATION, which may be subject to posting in accordance with 10 CFR 19.11.
(Violations and Corrective Actions)

Statement of Corrective Actions

I hereby state that, within 30 days, the actions described by me to the Inspector will be taken to correct the violations identified. This statement of corrective actions is made in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR 2.201 (corrective steps already taken, corrective steps which will be taken, date when full compliance will be achieved). I understand that no further written response to NRC will be required, unless specifically requested.

TITLE	PRINTED NAME	SIGNATURE	DATE
LICENSEE'S REPRESENTATIVE			
NRC INSPECTOR	Dennis P. O'Dowd		08/28/18
BRANCH CHIEF	Geoffrey Warren, Acting Chief		9/11/18

Docket File Information

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6. INSPECTION PROCEDURES USED 87130	7. INSPECTION FOCUS AREAS 3.01-3.07		

SUPPLEMENTAL INSPECTION INFORMATION

1. PROGRAM CODE(S) 02201	2. PRIORITY 5	3. LICENSEE CONTACT Sharon Updike, RSO	4. TELEPHONE NUMBER (219) 796-0400
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☒ Main Office Inspection Next Inspection Date: 08/28/2023

☐ Field Office Inspection _____

☐ Temporary Job Site Inspection _____

PROGRAM SCOPE

This was an unannounced, routine inspection of a small cardiology clinic in Merrillville, Indiana, authorized to use licensed material under 10 CFR 35.100 and 35.200. The clinic was open Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, 6:30 am to 3:30 pm. The clinic employed one full-time, and two part-time nuclear medicine technologists (NMTs) who performed approximately 9-10 cardiac imaging studies per week. The licensee primarily utilized unit doses of Tc-99m for the diagnostic imaging studies; unit doses were received from a local radiopharmacy. Doses commonly used for the cardiac rest and stress tests were 10 mCi and 30 mCi of Tc-99m, respectively. The Radiation Safety Officer (RSO) for the license was an outside consultant who oversaw the radiation safety program, and conducted quarterly audits.

PERFORMANCE OBSERVATIONS

The inspector toured the facility to evaluate the licensee's measures for materials security, hazard communication, and exposure control. During the time of the inspection, no patient studies were conducted. Licensee staff demonstrated/discussed: (1) package receipt procedures; (2) daily calibrator checks; (3) dose preparation; (4) procedures for handling and disposing of radioactive waste; (5) daily and weekly surveys; (5) spill response procedures; and (6) access restrictions to the hot lab. The licensee had a calibrated, operational survey meter in the hot lab. The inspector also reviewed select records including: (1) quarterly audit reports; (2) dose calibrator constancy, linearity, and accuracy tests records; (3) survey meter calibrations; (4) daily survey and weekly wipe test results; (5) source leak test records; (6) disposal logs; (7) training records, including DOT Hazmat training, and (8) dosimetry reports. The review of dosimetry records indicated no exposures of regulatory concern.

Additionally, the inspector conducted independent and confirmatory surveys, and found no residual contamination or exposures to members of the public in excess of regulatory limits.

No violations of NRC requirements were identified as a result of this inspection.

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9/11/18