

<p>IN THE MATTER OF:</p> <p>Story County Medical Center 640 S 19th Street Nevada, IA 50201-2902</p> <p>PETITIONER</p>	<p>CONSENT AGREEMENT</p> <p>PROBATION</p>
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COMES NOW the Iowa Department of Health and Human Services ("Department") and Story County Medical Center ("Petitioner"), and pursuant to Iowa Code section 17A.10 and 641 Iowa Administrative Code 134.3 enter into the following settlement of this matter:

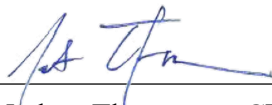
1. Petitioner is currently verified as a Level IV Trauma Care Facility with an expiration date of June 1, 2025.
2. On March 1, 2022 the Petitioner submitted a Self-Assessment Categorization Application for reverification as a Level IV Trauma Care Facility.
3. On May 9, 2022, the Department conducted a virtual/onsite survey visit for verification in accordance with IAC 641-134.2(7).
4. During the virtual/onsite survey visit, the Department determined the Petitioner failed to comply with criteria for Level IV Trauma Care Facility categorization, as evidenced by 5 criteria deficiencies.
5. On May 12, 2022, the Petitioner was issued a Letter of Warning, with the Final Report dated May 12, 2022, requiring all criteria to be resolved within twelve months.
6. On May 10, 2023, criteria deficiencies (11-87), (15-4), (18-1) and (18-2) were resolved.
7. On July 21, 2023, the State of Iowa Trauma System Coordinator reviewed the trauma registry concurrency report dated from May 12, 2022 to May 13, 2023. The trauma registry does not meet the requirement of 80 percent of cases entered within 60 days of discharge. Thirty percent of cases were entered into the registry within 60 days of discharge for the reporting period.

8. On July 27, 2023, the Petitioner was issued a Citation and Warning for failure to resolve criterion (15-6), trauma registry concurrency.
9. On October 9, 2024, the Department reviewed the registry concurrency report for May 13, 2023 to July 21, 2024. Fifty-nine percent of the trauma cases were entered into the registry within 60 days of discharge. The trauma registry does not meet the requirement of 80 percent of cases entered within 60 days of discharge. The Petitioner remains non-compliant regarding criterion (15-6).
10. The Department may deny verification of a Trauma Care Facility if the facility has not been or will not be operated in compliance with Iowa Code section 147A.23 or IAC 641—134 (*IAC 641—134.3(1)*)
11. Petitioner agrees to enter into this Consent Agreement as a condition of maintaining verification as a Level IV Trauma Care Facility. Execution of this Consent Agreement by all parties constitutes the resolution of this case. Petitioner waives the right to hearing and all attendant rights, including the right to appeal, by freely and voluntarily agreeing to this Consent Agreement.
12. This Consent Agreement is subject to approval of the Department. If the Department approves this agreement, it becomes the final disposition of this matter. If the Department fails to approve this agreement, it shall be of no force or effect to either party.
13. This Consent Agreement shall be part of the permanent record of Petitioner and shall be considered by the Department in determining the nature and severity of any disciplinary action to be imposed in the event of any future violations.
14. This Consent Agreement is a public record available for inspection and copying in accordance with the requirements of Iowa Code chapters 22.
15. The Department's approval of this Consent Agreement shall constitute a FINAL ORDER of the Department and constitutes final agency action in this matter.

IT IS THERE ORDERED:

16. The Petitioner's verification as a Level IV Trauma Care Facility shall be placed on probation for a period of twelve months, effective November 1, 2024 to November 1, 2025.
17. The Petitioner agrees to correct criterion deficiency (CD) (15-6) as required by Iowa Code section 147A.23 or IAC 641—134 (*IAC 641—134.3(1)*) by November 1, 2025. On January 2nd 2026, the Trauma System Coordinator will review the registry concurrency for the twelve-month probation period to confirm resolution of CD 15-6.
18. In the event the Petitioner violates or fails to comply with any of the terms or provisions of probation, the Department may initiate appropriate action to revoke or suspend Petitioner's verification or to impose other appropriate discipline.
19. There shall be no costs or monetary penalties issued as part of this Consent Agreement.

AGREED AND ACCEPTED:



Nathan Thompson, CEO
Story County Medical Center, Nevada
PETITIONER



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Dated this 31st day of October 2024

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