### Iowa - Notification Letter to Residents

# Notification to Residents/Tenants Template<sup>1</sup>

(Date)

Dear (name of resident/tenant):

This letter is written pursuant to officially notify you that (NAME OF FACILITY) has made the very difficult decision to cease operations and will close the facility no later than (DATE OF CLOSURE-MUST BE AT LEAST 30 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THIS LETTER).

We want you to know that we will be contacting each of you within the next few days regarding your relocation options. Please understand you have the right to seek placement at the facility of your choosing and we will assist you in finding a new home.

To assist you in that process, attached to this letter is a list of health facilities in (NAME OF COUNTY) County and surrounding counties with phone numbers and contact information. In addition, representatives from the Iowa Department of Inspections & Appeals, the Iowa Office of the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman, Iowa Department of Human Services and Disability Rights Iowa (see addresses and phone numbers below) will also be available to answer questions regarding the discharge procedure and alternative placement.

## **Iowa Department of Inspections & Appeals**

Health Facilities Division Lucas State Office Building Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0083 515-281-4115

## Office of the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman

Iowa Department on Aging Jessie M. Parker Building 510 E. 12th Street, Suite 2 Des Moines, Iowa 50319-9025 1-866-236-1430 (toll free)

#### **Iowa Department of Human Services**

Medicaid Enterprise-Bureau of Long-Term Care 100 Army Post Road Des Moines, Iowa 50315-6241 515-256-4600

#### **Disability Rights Iowa**

400 E. Court Avenue, Suite 300 Des Moines, Iowa 50309 1-800-779-2502 (toll free)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> From "Iowa Long-Term Care Facility Closure/Crisis Team Procedures Manual" by Office of the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman (2016).