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Via Certified Mail and Email: (VJones@vfdental.com and KGrimsley@valleygatedsc.com)

Valleygate Dental Surgery Centers of the West, LLC 2028 Litho Place Fayetteville, North Carolina 28304

RE: Cease and Desist Operation of Newly Constructed Procedure Rooms at Valleygate Dental Surgery Center of the Triad, License No. AS0161

Dear Ms. Jones:

Valleygate Dental Surgery Center of the West, LLC ("Valleygate"), is licensed to operate an ambulatory surgical facility known as Valleygate Dental Surgery Center of the Triad, located at 510 Hickory Ridge Drive, Greensboro, North Carolina, license number AS0161 (the "Facility").

Pursuant to 10A NCAC 13C .1402(a), "[w]here renovation or replacement work is done in an existing facility, all new work or additions or both shall comply with applicable sections of the [FGI] Guidelines and local, state, and federal codes." FGI Guidelines for Construction and Design of Outpatient Facilities, Section 1.3-3.1.1.1. In addition, a "major renovation project" is required to comply with the requirements for new construction in the FGI Guidelines. FGI Guidelines for Construction and Design of Outpatient Facilities, Section 1.3-3.1.1.2.

In July of 2025, Valleygate completed an addition to the Facility by constructing three new procedure rooms (the "Procedure Rooms") and made certain other modifications. No plans or specifications were submitted to the NC Department of Health and Human Services ("Department") for review and approval prior to construction of the Procedure Rooms or modifications as required by 10A NCAC 13C .1402(a). As a result, the Department did not have the opportunity to review the plans and specifications or inspect the Procedure Rooms and other modifications to ensure they meet the requirements of the physical plant, NC State Building Code, and federal Life Safety Code.

On September 4, 2025, the Department's Division of Health Service Regulation, Construction Section (the "Construction Section") completed an inspection of the Facility. During its inspection, the Construction Section identified numerous deficiencies and areas of non-compliance

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LOCATION: Dobbin Building, 815 Palmer Drive, Raleigh, NC 27603 MAILING ADDRESS: 2712 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-2712 TEL: 919-855-4620 with applicable statutes and rules. A copy of the Inspection Deficiency Comments Letter is attached hereto.

Due to the severity of the non-compliance identified during the Construction Section's inspection, and Valleygate's failure to submit a copy of the construction plans and specifications for the Procedure Rooms and other modifications prior to their construction as required, Valleygate must immediately cease and desist the provision of any and all services in the newly constructed Procedure Rooms or other modified areas at the Facility unless and until the Construction Section expressly approves their use. Valleygate must also immediately cease and desist the provision of any and all services in any other newly constructed additions or other modified areas that have been made to any of its other licensed facilities unless and until such projects are approved by the Construction Section.

Failure to immediately comply with the provisions of this notice may result in the Department seeking injunctive relief to prevent operation of the Facility. Further, the Department reserves the right to take any administrative action on your license as warranted.

Sincerely,

Azzie Y. Conley

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Enclosure