



November 9, 2011

Angela Farno  
-> Tippecanoe Family Medicine  
110 South Tippecanoe Drive  
Tipp City, OH 45371

**RE: Tippecanoe Family Care, 110 South Tippecanoe Drive, Tipp City, OH  
Notice of Violation and Return to Compliance**

Dear Ms. Farno:

On November 3, 2011, I conducted a large generator of infectious waste (IW) re-inspection at the above mentioned Facility. This inspection was conducted in your presence to determine compliance with Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) 3745-27, specifically rules governing large generators of infectious waste. The following violations and comments were noted:

1. During an October 12, 2011 inspection the Facility's shipping papers were reviewed and the generator ID number was not provided on the shipping papers. During the November 3, 2011 the generator ID number was found hand written on the shipping paper and the facility has returned to compliance. In addition, you stated that the infectious waste transporter had been contacted and requested to preprint the generator identification number on the forms.
2. An open IW container was present in the IW storage room. The container was found overfilled, losing its ability to be properly packaged. The Facility's failure to properly manage and maintain the integrity of packaging for in-use containers is a violation of OAC Rule 3745-257-35(A)(1) which states in part;

*Generators shall handle infectious waste containers in a manner and location that maintains the integrity of the packaging.*

and a violation of OAC Rule 3745-27-34(B)(3), which states in part;

*Containers holding infectious wastes shall not be dropped, managed, or transferred in such a manner as to cause damage to the bag or container.*

In addition, please be advised that overfilled IW containers are also a problem because IW cannot be compacted per OAC Rule 3745-27-30(B)(4). The IW was repacked at the time of the inspection and the Facility returned to compliance.

3. The closet where the infectious waste was being stored was found unlocked and not labeled. This is a violation of OAC Rule 3745-27-35(A)(2), which requires the door to be locked or visibly labeled with signs and/or international biohazard symbol posted. During the inspection you placed a label on the door and the Facility returned to compliance.
4. I was informed that the Facility has changed ownership and is now under the Kettering Health Network. If not already completed, your registration must be amended by submitting an infectious waste generator amendment form. A hard copy of this form was left at the time of the inspection. In addition, the form is available at the following website:  
[http://www.epa.ohio.gov/portals/34/document/guidance/gd\\_079.pdf](http://www.epa.ohio.gov/portals/34/document/guidance/gd_079.pdf).

Nothing in this letter shall be construed to authorize any waiver from the requirements of any applicable state or federal laws or regulations. This letter shall not be interpreted to release the owner or operator, or others, from responsibility under Chapters 3704, 3714, 3734, or 6111 of the Ohio Revised Code or under the Federal Clean Water Act, Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, or Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act for remedying conditions resulting from any release of contaminants to the environment.

Thank you for meeting with me to conduct this inspection. If you have any questions, please contact me at (937)285-6094.

Sincerely,



Jill Olberding, R.S.  
Division of Materials and Waste Management

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