

SAFETY INSPECTION REPORT AND COMPLIANCE INSPECTION

1 LICENSEE/LOCATION INSPECTED Northwest Health - La Porte 1331 State Street La Porte, IN 46350 REPORT NUMBER(S) 2021-001		2 NRC/REGIONAL OFFICE Region III U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission 2443 Warrenville Road, Suite 210 Lisle, IL 60532-4352	
3 DOCKET NUMBER(S) 030-08653	4 LICENSE NUMBER(S) 13-15151-01	5 DATE(S) OF INSPECTION April 23, 2021	

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)

10 CFR 35.40(a) requires that an authorized user sign a written directive before the administration of iodine-131 (I-131) sodium iodide greater than 1.11 megabecquerels (30 microcuries). Contrary to this, on May 22, 2020, a written directive for the 150 millicuries of I-131 sodium iodide was not signed by an authorized user of this dosage prior to its administration.

As corrective action for this Severity Level IV violation, the licensee had a physician who was an authorized user for this dosage of I-131 sodium iodide review and approve the case. The licensee committed to revise its procedures to require a second check of relevant paperwork and to require that the authorized user's name be printed next to their signature.

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	James Hatten		24 MAY 21
NRC INSPECTOR	Ryan Craffey	 Digitally signed by Ryan J. Craffey Date: 2021.05.19 08:26:23 -04'00'	
BRANCH CHIEF	Michael Kunowski	Michael A. Kunowski Digitally signed by Michael A. Kunowski Date: 2021.05.24 10:38:44 -05'00'	