

January 17, 2024

Stonish Pierce, FACHE President/CEO St. Mary's Hospital, Inc. 1230 Baxter Street Athens, GA 30606-3791 Re: # 2138

CCN: # 110006

Deemed Program: Hospital

Accreditation Expiration Date: November 18, 2026

Dear Mr. Pierce:

This letter confirms that your November 14, 2023 - November 17, 2023 unannounced full resurvey was conducted for the purposes of assessing compliance with the Medicare conditions for hospitals through The Joint Commission's deemed status survey process.

Based upon the submission of your evidence of standards compliance on January 12, 2024. The Joint Commission is granting your organization an accreditation decision of Accredited with an effective date of November 18, 2023.

The Joint Commission is also recommending your organization for continued Medicare certification effective November 18, 2023. Please note that the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Medicare Administrative Contractor (MAC) makes the final determination regarding your Medicare participation and the effective date of participation in accordance with the regulations at 42 CFR 489.13. Your organization is encouraged to share a copy of this Medicare recommendation letter with your State Survey Agency.

This recommendation applies to the following locations:

St. Mary's Health Care System, Inc. d/b/a St Mary's Hospital 1230 Baxter Street, Athens, GA, 30606-3791

St. Mary's Outpatient/Diagnostic, Rehab & Wellness Center 2470 Daniells Bridge Road, Bldg 300, Athens, GA, 30606

St. Mary's Infusion Suite 4017 Atlanta Highway, Bogart, GA, 30622

Please be assured that The Joint Commission will keep the report confidential, except as required by law or court order. To ensure that The Joint Commission's information about your organization is always accurate and current, our policy requires that you inform us of any changes in the name or ownership of your organization or the health care services you provide.



Sincerely,

Ken Grubbs, DNP, MBA, RN Executive Vice President and Chief Nursing Officer Division of Accreditation and Certification Operations

cc: CMS/Baltimore Office/Survey & Certification Group/Division of Acute Care Services CMS/SOG Location 4 /Survey and Certification Staff