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Sent via email

Michael Carter, Interim CEO Fountain Valley Regional Medical Center 17100 Euclid Street Fountain Valley, CA 92708

Dear Michael,

This is official notice to you that between June 14 - August 30, 2022, we have filed 107 complaints with the Orange County Department of Public Health due to Fountain Valley's consistent violation of Title 22, Section 70217, "Nursing Service Staff."

Fountain Valley Regional Medical Center has failed to staff our units appropriately per the law, which states, "licensed nurse-to-patient ratios represent the maximum number of patients that shall be assigned to one licensed nurse at any one time." The units are listed below. RNs reported that on these shifts there was no break nurse and therefore missed all breaks, the charge nurse had to take patients and typically there was zero or one CNA assigned to the unit. This means that in addition to having extra patients, there was no support to help with total care patients and no one to help if an issue came up.

Below you will find the specific units and dates that RNs reported being out of ratio and which were filed with the Orange County Department of Public Health. We are also attaching a powerpoint which further explains the dire situation of understaffing and under-resourcing of FVRMC.

We have proposed to include Title 22 in our contract and up to this point the administration has refused to agree to our proposal. This is baffling given that it's the law. We demand that FVRMC stop understaffing our hospital, violating Title 22 and that the administration agree to our proposal. Our patients and our community deserve better.

Sincerely,

NUHW RN/Professional Bargaining Team

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2 East

6/18/2022:

- Night Shift: at least 1 RN out of ratio 8/22/2022
- Night Shift: at least 6 RNs out of ratio
 8/28/2022
- Night Shift: at least 2 RNs out of ratio

<u>3 East</u>

6/18/2022:

- Night Shift: at least 3 RNs out of ratio 6/19/2022:
- Day Shift: at least 6 RNs out of ratio
- Night Shift: at least 2 RNs out of ratio 6/25/2022:
- Night Shift: at least 1 RN out of ratio 7/5/2022
- Night Shift: at least 3 RNs out of ratio
 7/23/2022
- Day Shift: at least 1 RN out of ratio 8/15/2022
- Day Shift: at least 5 RNs out of ratio 8/20/2022
- Day Shift: at least 4 RNs out of ratio 8/20/2022
- Day Shift: at least 1 RN out of ratio

8/28/2022

- Day Shift: at least 3 RNs out of ratio
- Night Shift: at least 1 RN out of ratio

4 East

6/19/2022

- Night Shift: at least 1 RN out of ratio 6/20/2022
- Day Shift: at least 1 RN out of ratio 6/23/2022:
- Day Shift: at least 1 RN out of ratio
 7/20/2022
- Day Shift: at least 2 RNs out of ratio 8/11/2022
- Night Shift: at least 1 RN out of ratio 8/24/2022
- Day Shift: at least 4 RNs out of ratio

DOU

6/14/2022

- Night Shift: at least 1 RN out of ratio 6/19/2022
- Day Shift: at least 3 RNs out of ratio 6/20/2022
- Day Shift: at least 2 RNs out of ratio 6/21/2022
- Night Shift: at least 1 RN out of ratio

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6/27/2022

- Night Shit: at least 1 RN out of ratio
 7/20/2022
- Day Shift: at least 1 RN out of ratio
 7/24/2022
- Night Shift: at least 3 RNs out of ratio
 7/31/2022
- Day Shift: at least 4 RNs out of ratio
 8/7/2022
- Day Shift: at least 3 RNs out of ratio
 8/8/2022
- Day Shift: at least 3 RNs out of ratio
 8/15/2022
- Day Shift: at least 2 RNs out of ratio 8/16/2022
- Day Shift: at least 1 RN out of ratio
 8/21/2022
- Night Shift: at least 1 RN out of ratio
 8/24/2022 + 8/25/2022
- Day Shift: at least 4 RNs out of ratio
 8/25/2022
- Day Shift: at least 1 RN out of ratio
 8/28/2022
- Day Shift: at least 5 RNs out of ratio
 8/30/2022

NICU

6/22/2022

- Day Shift: at least 1 RN out of ratio 6/25/2022
- Day Shift: at least 1 RN out of ratio 8/7/2022
- Day Shift: at least 2 RNs out of ratio

ICU

7/18/2022

- Night Shift: at least 1 RN out of ratio 7/29/2022
- Night Shift: at least 1 RN out of ratio 8/19/2022
- Day Shift: at least 1 RN out of ratio Main Telemetry

6/9/2022

- Day Shift: at least 1 RN out of ratio
 8/3/2022
- Day Shift: at least 1 RN out of ratio
 8/4/2022
- Day Shift: at least 1 RN out of ratio
 8/24/2022
- Day Shift: at least 2 RNs out of ratio
- Day Shift: at least 1 RN out of ratio

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PACU

6/27/2022

• Day Shift: at least 1 RN out of ratio

Surgical

7/2/2022

• Day Shift: at least 1 RN out of ratio

Emergency Department

7/2/2022

- Day Shift: at least 1 RN out of ratio 8/10/2022
- Day Shift: at least 3 RNs out of ratio

Obstetrics

8/11/2022 + 8/20/2022

PICU/Pediatrics

• Day Shift: at least 2 RNs out of ratio

7/29/2022

• Night Shift: at least 1 RN out of ratio



