NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT of HEALTH (NYSDOH) JEWISH HOME LIFECARE, MANHATTAN STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW NOTICE OF CHANGE OF LOCATION FOR THE PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING

This notice is issued pursuant to the *State Environmental Quality Review Act* ("*SEQRA*"), codified at Article 8 of the *New York Environmental Conservation Law* ("*ECL*"), and its implementing regulations, promulgated at Part 617 of Title 6 of the *New York Code, Rules and Regulations* ("*NYCRR*"), which collectively contain the requirements for the *SEQRA* process, and Part 97 of Title 10 of the *NYCRR*, which is the New York State Department of Health ("NYSDOH") regulation implementing *SEQRA*.

NYSDOH, as lead agency, having issued a *Positive Declaration Determination of Significance Notice of Intent to Prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement* on June 5, 2013, indicating that the Proposed Action described below may have a significant effect on the environment and that a Draft Environmental Impact Statement ("DEIS") will be prepared, announces that a public scoping meeting will be conducted to allow all involved and interested agencies and members of the public an opportunity to comment on the scope of the DEIS.

Lead Agency:	New York State Department of Health
Title of Action:	Jewish Home Lifecare, Manhattan
	Replacement Nursing Facility Project
	Approval of Construction Application
	(Certificate of Need Project # 121075- C)
SEQRA Status:	Type I Action $-$ 6 <i>NYCRR</i> 617.4(b)(6)(v) and
	10 NYCRR Part 97.14(b)(1)(v)

Description of Proposed Action and Proposed Project. NYSDOH has received a request from Jewish Home Lifecare, Manhattan ("JHL, Manhattan"), a member of Jewish Home Lifecare System, to construct a replacement nursing facility (the "Proposed Project"). For purposes of *SEQRA*, the Proposed Action would consist of NYSDOH's approval of a construction application filed pursuant to Section 2802 of the *Public Health Law ("PHL")* that would consist of JHL, Manhattan's plan to rebuild its Manhattan Division. The Proposed Project would result in the construction of a new, approximately 376,000 gross square foot, 20-story, 414-bed skilled nursing facility in a single, newly-constructed building on the Project Site, located at 125 West 97th Street (Block 1852, Lot 5) in Manhattan's Upper West Side neighborhood, with private- and semi-private rooms, replacing the 514 existing, mostly semi-private beds currently located in several older buildings in JHL, Manhattan's existing nursing facility, located at 120 West 106th Street. Construction is expected to begin in 2014 and last approximately 31 months. The Proposed Project is expected to be completed and occupied by 2018.

Scoping Process. In accordance with *SEQRA*, the Lead Agency is initiating a process to define the scope of the DEIS. A Draft Scoping Document for the DEIS has been prepared and made available to agencies and the public for review and comment. Copies of the Draft Scoping Document can be obtained via a written request to the contact person or at the public scoping

meeting. The Draft Scoping Document may also be viewed on the NYSDOH's website at: <u>http://www.health.ny.gov/facilities/cons/environmental_quality_review/jewish_home_lifecare/</u>. The Lead Agency invites comments on this document.

Public Scoping Meeting. The public scoping meeting has been relocated from Jewish Home Lifecare, 120 West 106th Street, as follows:

Tuesday, September 17, 2013 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

[NOTE NEW MEETING LOCATION]

P.S. 163 163 West 97th Street New York, New York 10025

Written comments on the Draft Scoping Document may be sent to the contact person and will be accepted for a period of ten calendar days following the close of the Public Scoping Meeting. For Further Information Contact: Charles P. Abel, Acting Director, Division of Health Facility Planning, New York State Department of Health, Room 1805, Corning Tower, Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12237. Email: <u>dhfpdivoffice@health.state.ny.us</u> Telephone: (518) 402-0967 Fax: (518) 402-0971