

November 14, 2006

John I. Gallin, MD
Director, Clinical Center
National Institutes of Health Clinical Center, NIH DHHS
9000 Rockville Pike Bldg 10, RM 6-2551
Bethesda, MD 20892

Joint Commission ID #: 6266

Accreditation Activity: Evidence of Standards

Compliance

Accreditation Activity Completed: 11/14/2006

Dear Dr. Gallin:

The Joint Commission would like to thank your organization for participating in the Joint Commission's accreditation process. This process is designed to help your organization continuously provide safe, high-quality care, treatment, and services by identifying opportunities for improvement in your processes and helping you follow through on and implement these improvements. We encourage you to use the accreditation process as a continuous standards compliance and operational improvement tool.

The Joint Commission is granting your organization an accreditation decision of Accredited for all services surveyed under the applicable manual(s) noted below:

• Comprehensive Accreditation Manual for Hospitals.

This accreditation cycle is effective beginning September 29, 2006. The Joint Commission reserves the right to shorten or lengthen the duration of the cycle; however, the certificate and cycle are customarily valid for up to 39 months. Please visit Quality Check® on the Joint Commission web site for updated information related to your accreditation decision.

We encourage you to share this accreditation decision with your organization's appropriate staff, leadership, and governing body. You may also want to inform the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), state or regional regulatory services, and the public you serve of your organization's accreditation decision.

Please be assured that the Joint Commission will keep the report confidential, except as required by law. 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,

Russell P. Massaro, MD, FACPE

Executive Vice President

Division of Accreditation and Certification Operations

Russell (branaous)