November 15, 2019

Mr. Scott Logan  
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Keys Section  
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SUBJECT: KEYS AMENDMENT SECTION 1616(e) OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT – CERTIFICATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019/2020

Dear Mr. Logan:

This is to certify that the California Department of Social Services (CDSS), Community Care Licensing Division (CCLD), meets the requirements of the Keys Amendment (Section 1616(e) of the Social Security Act). The California Department of Developmental Services (CDDS) is also submitting the enclosed letter to certify their compliance with the Keys Amendment.

CDSS establishes, maintains, and enforces licensing standards for residential facilities. These standards govern such matters as admission policies, safety, sanitation, and the protection of residents' rights. CDSS oversees the following facility types where a significant number of Supplemental Security Income (SSI) recipients reside or are likely to reside: Adult Residential Facilities; Adult Residential Facility for Persons with Special Health Care Needs; Certified Family Homes; Community Crisis Homes; Enhanced Behavioral Support Homes; Foster Family Homes; Group Homes; Residential Care Facilities for the Chronically Ill; Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly; Resource Family Approved Homes; Short Term Residential Therapeutic Program; Small Family Homes; Social Rehabilitation Facilities; Temporary Shelter Care Facility; and Transitional Housing Placement Programs.

As required by subdivision (e)(2) and (3) of Section 1616 of the Social Security Act (the Keys Amendment), CDSS certifies the standards established pursuant to subdivision (e)(1) of Section 1616 of the Social Security Act (the Keys Amendment) as well as licensing, enforcement, waiver, and deficiency procedures are made available to the public and any interested person for review.

You specified that you would like any new or revised standards and enforcement procedures that have been implemented since our last submission to you in 2018.
Enclosed are three new regulations packages that CDSS has filed since our last submission:

- Emergency Intervention & Community Crisis Homes Section Renumbering, Section 100, ORD No. 0918-11, effective January 2, 2019
- Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly Eviction Notice and Miscellaneous Cross References, ORD No. 1018-12, effective January 8, 2019
- Suspension of New Admissions, ORD No. 0917-19, effective July 1, 2019

Also enclosed are Interim Licensing Standards issued by CDSS in 2019:

- Short Term Residential Therapeutic Program Interim Licensing Standards: Subchapter 3, Version 1, effective January 29, 2019
- Foster Family Agencies Interim Licensing Standards, Version 4, effective April 12, 2019

The above referenced standards and enforcement procedures can be accessed by using the hyperlinks below:

- California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 6: Scroll down to preferred licensing category: [Residential Regulations: California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 6](#)

- Office of Regulations Development: Emergency and completed regulations, including a list of completed regulations by year: [CDSS Regulation Changes in Process / Completed Regulations](#)

- Interim Licensing Standards: [Children’s Residential Program Laws and Regulations](#)

If you have questions regarding our submission, I can be reached at (916) 657-2598 or you may contact Pam Dickfoss, Deputy Director of CCLD at (916) 657-2346.

Sincerely,

KIM JOHNSON
Director

Enclosures