



**Delaware Health
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Mr. Scott Logan
Social Security Administration
Office of Income Security Programs
Keys Section
2518 Robert M. Ball Building
6401 Security Boulevard
Baltimore, MD 21235

Dear Mr. Logan:

Please accept this letter as the annual certification of the State of Delaware's compliance with the Keys Amendment (Section 1616(e) of the Social Security Act; 45 CFR Part 1937) and the regulations enacted pursuant thereto.

The State of Delaware has designated the Department of Health & Social Services (DHSS) with authority over the development, administration, and enforcement of standards for the licensure of the health care facilities and homes referenced below and attached to this correspondence. As required by the Amendment, the State creates statutes and regulations, conducts statewide inspections, writes appropriate reports, and takes enforcement actions as necessary. The covered providers include skilled and intermediate care nursing facilities, rest (residential) homes, assisted living agencies/facilities, rest (family care) homes, group and neighborhood homes and boarding homes, and all institutions and organizations for children. This list encompasses residential care facilities in which a significant number of SSI and/or SSDI recipients may reside.

I am pleased to report that DHSS certifies that the State of Delaware and the applicable facilities are in compliance with the Keys Amendment. DHSS strives to improve and ensure that SSA recipients live in safe and healthy environments and remain an integral part of our community.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this feedback, should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Corinna Getchell, Director of our Division of Health Care Quality, at (302) 421-7426 or at Corinna.Getchell@delaware.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Molly K. Magarik".

Molly K. Magarik
Cabinet Secretary
Department of Health & Social Services