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Dear Mr. Logan:

This letter serves as formal notification that the State of Idaho is in compliance with Section 1616(e) of the Social Security Act (the Keys Amendment) for federal fiscal year (FFY) 2019. The Keys Amendment is designed to assure the development of state standards for safe and appropriate residential settings as an alternative to institutional placements.

In Idaho, there are two (2) primary non-institutional settings: residential care or residential assisted living facilities (RALF); and certified family homes (CFH). There have been no new or revised standards and enforcement procedures implemented for the RALF Program since Idaho's last submission. On July 1, 2018, the CFH Program implemented new licensure rules after two years of negotiations with CFH providers, advocacy groups, and other stakeholders.

The point of contact for the licensure or certification of these providers is:

Tamara Prisock, Administrator
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Residential Care or Assisted Living Facilities (RALF)

There are 286 licensed RALF's within the State of Idaho. Written guidelines for RALF's are found in state statute (Idaho Code, Title 39, Chapter 33) and in rule (Idaho Administrative Procedures Act 16.03.22). Facilities range from serving six to 170 residents.

These facilities are regularly surveyed and inspected by the Department's Licensing & Certification division. Survey results are available at www.assistedliving.dhw.idaho.gov.

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During FFY 2018, the Department revoked the licenses of two assisted living facilities for failure to meet state standards. (see, Enclosure #1).

Certified Family Homes (CFH)

There are 2,458 CFH's within the state of Idaho. Written guidelines for CFH's are found in state statute (Idaho Code, Title 39, Chapter 35) and in rule (Idaho Administrative Procedures Act 16.03.19). Homes range from serving one (1) to four (4) residents each.

These homes are inspected annually by the Department's Licensing & Certification division. Survey results are available upon request. There were 14 CFHs that had their certificates suspended and/or revoked for failure to meet state standards in FFY 2018. Two of these actions are currently under appeal. (see, Enclosure # 2)

Please contact Ms. Prisock at (208) 364-1959 should you have questions concerning this letter or residential facilities in the State of Idaho.

Sincerely,



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Director

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Enclosures: #1 - FFY 2018 RALF License Suspensions/Revocations
#2 - FFY 2018 CFH Certificate Suspensions/Revocations

cc: Social Security Administration, Seattle Region