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Scott Logan
Keys Section
Office of Income Security Programs
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Baltimore, MD 21235

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) 2021. The Keys Amendment is designed to assure the development of state standards for safe and appropriate residential settings as an alternate to institutional placement.

Within Idaho, there are two (2) primary non-institutional settings—residential care or assisted living facilities (RALF), and certified family homes (CFH). There have been no new or revised standards and enforcement procedures implemented for either the CFH program since our last submission. We did, however, complete an entire rewrite of the administrative rule chapter containing the state licensing requirements for RALFs in 2019. In that rewrite, we strengthened requirements related to building/fire safety, nursing services, and infection control. The new requirements became effective July 1, 2020.

My 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.
During FFY 2020, the Department revoked the licenses of one assisted living facility for failure to meet state standards. See attached.

Certified Family Homes (CFH)

There are 2,538 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 24 CFHs that had their certificates suspended and/or revoked for failure to meet state standards in FFY 2020. Three of these actions are currently under appeal.

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

Sincerely,

[Signature]

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Director

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Enclosures
1. FFY 2020 RALF License Suspensions/Revocations
2. FFY 2020 CFH Certificate Suspensions/Revocations

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