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Dear Mr. Logan:

The State of Kentucky, Cabinet for Health and Family Services, certifies that the following provisions of the Keys Amendment, Section 1616(e) of the Social Security Act, have been met:

- In Kentucky, residential facilities in which a significant number of Supplemental Security Income (SSI) recipients reside or are likely to reside are identified as family care homes, personal care homes, psychiatric residential treatment facilities, child-caring facilities, Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities, group homes, boarding homes, and supports for community living services for individuals with an intellectual or developmental disability. Enclosed is a summary of applicable rules as of November 2019.
- The Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Office of Inspector General, Division of Health Care is the designated authority to establish, maintain, and ensure the enforcement of regulatory standards for health facilities and services, including family care homes, personal care homes, psychiatric residential treatment facilities, Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities, and group homes. The Office of Inspector General, Division of Regulated Child Care is the designated authority to ensure the enforcement of regulatory standards for child-caring facilities. However, it is important to note that the Cabinet's Department for Community Based Services is the designated authority to establish regulatory standards for child-caring facilities. The Cabinet's Department for Public Health is the designated authority to establish, maintain,

and ensure the enforcement of regulatory standards for boarding homes. The Cabinet's Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities is the designated authority with jurisdiction for the regulation of supports for community living services for individuals with an intellectual or developmental disability.

- The Cabinet's Office of Inspector General, Department for Public Health, and Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities make available for public review on their respective web pages a link to the regulatory standards, including contact information for interested individuals to obtain further information about full standards, enforcement procedures, waivers from health facility physical plant standards, and violations.
- The Cabinet's Office of Inspector General, Department for Public Health, and Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities have established standards appropriate to the needs of SSI recipients and other individuals residing in facilities and has established procedures for enforcing those standards.

No changes have been made within the past calendar year to the standards or enforcement of regulations with respect to family care homes, psychiatric residential treatment facilities, child-caring facilities, Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual or Developmental Disabilities, group homes, boarding homes, or supports for community living services for individuals with an intellectual or developmental disability. The Cabinet filed a proposed amendment to the personal care home regulation as summarized on the attachment.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Stephanie Brammer-Barnes, Policy Analyst, Office of Inspector General, at (502) 564-2888, extension 3281 or at stephanie.brammer@ky.gov.

Sincerely,



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