MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

October 18, 2017

Social Security Administration
Office of the Income Security Programs
Keys Section
2518 Robert M. Ball Building
6401 Security Boulevard
Baltimore, Maryland 21235

Re: Annual Certification

Dear Sir/Madam:

I certify that the State of Mississippi is in compliance with the requirement as Section 1616 of the Social Security Act. In response to each bullet of your letter:

1. The Mississippi State Department of Health (MSDH) is designated by state statute as the Agency responsible for regulation of residential care facilities. The Bureau of Health Facilities Licensure and Certification is a Bureau within the MSDH.
2. Regulations governing the licensure of residential personal care homes remain readily available for public review on the Agency website at www.HealthyMS.gov
3. Any interested party who wishes to receive a copy of the regulations and who does not have internet connectivity is furnished, free of charge, a complete copy of the regulations.
4. Please find attached the latest revision/complete copy of the Minimum Standards of Operation for Personal Care Homes-Assisted Living, Minimum Standards of Operation for Personal Care Homes-Residential Living and the Minimum Standards for Adult Foster Care Facilities.
5. The Agency certifies compliance with the Social Security Administration annually.

If you have any questions related to the information contained within this letter or if additional information is needed, please call me at 601-364-1104.

Sincerely,

Melissa L. Parker, CPM, Director
Office of Licensure
Mississippi State Department of Health

Attachments: Minimum Standards of Operation for Personal Care Homes-Assisted Living
Minimum Standards of Operation for Personal Care Homes-Residential Living
Minimum Standards for Adult Foster Care Facilities

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