COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

Office of the Commissioner

Margaret Ross Schultze
COMMISSIONER

December 13, 2017

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

Dear Mr. Denos:

I am writing to certify that the Commonwealth of Virginia continues to comply with the Keys Amendment, Section 1616 (e) of the Social Security Act.

Agencies that have statutory authority to regulate facilities in Virginia develop and enforce standards for residential facilities where Supplemental Security Income (SSI) recipients reside or are likely to reside. The standards are available for review throughout the regulatory process, as well as upon request by anyone who asks for them. In addition, the Commonwealth's Registrar of Regulations publishes a compendium of all regulations and makes them available on the Internet.

During the past year, the following regulations were amended:

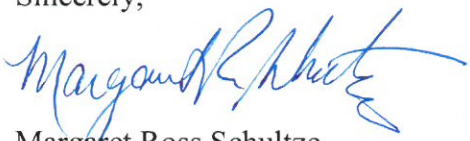
Department/ Manual or Regulation Title	**Website location**
Virginia Department of Social Services	*Standards and Regulations for Licensed Assisted Living Facilities* (22VAC40-72) http://www.townhall.virginia.gov/L/ViewXML.cfm?textid=12095 *General Procedures and Information for Licensure* (22VAC40-80) http://www.townhall.virginia.gov/L/ViewXML.cfm?textid=11946 *Regulation for Criminal Record Checks for Assisted Living Facilities and Adult Day Care Centers* (22VAC40-90) http://www.townhall.virginia.gov/L/ViewXML.cfm?textid=11943

	Minimum Standards for Licensed Private Child-Placing Agencies (22VAC40-131) http://www.townhall.virginia.gov/L/ViewXML.cfm?textid=11703 *Standards for Licensed Children's Residential Facilities* (22VAC40-151) http://www.townhall.virginia.gov/L/ViewXML.cfm?textid=11942
Virginia Department of Behavioral and Developmental Services	12VAC35-105-925 *Rules and Regulations for Licensing Providers by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services.* Published 8/21/17 The Virginia Register of Regulations, Volume: 33 Issue: 26. http://www.townhall.virginia.gov/L/ViewXML.cfm?textid=11846 12VAC35-115-10 *Rules and Regulations to Assure the Rights of Individuals Receiving Services from Providers Licensed, Funded, or Operated by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services.* Published 1/9/17 The Virginia Register of Regulations Volume: 33 Issue: 10. http://www.townhall.virginia.gov/L/ViewXML.cfm?textid=11290. 12VAC35-240 *Victims of Sterilization Fund Program.* Published 3/20/17 The Virginia Register of Regulations: 3/20/17 Volume: 33 Issue: 15. http://www.townhall.virginia.gov/L/ViewXML.cfm?textid=11433

No other amendments were made to regulations or policies that apply to residences for SSI recipients.

If there is need for further information, please contact Tammy Trestrail, Program Consultant; Division of Licensing – Children's Programs in the Department of Social Services, at (804) 726-7382.

Sincerely,



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