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DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
Office of the Commissioner

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COMMISSIONER

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

Dear Mr. Logan:

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 For Licensed Children's Residential Facilities (22VAC40-151) https://townhall.virginia.gov/L/ViewXML.cfm?textid=13671
	Standards for Licensed Assisted Living Facilities (22VAC40-73) https://townhall.virginia.gov/L/ViewXML.cfm?textid=13674
	Standards For Licensed Child-Placing Agencies (22VAC40-131) https://townhall.virginia.gov/L/ViewXML.cfm?textid=13673

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Department/ Manual or Regulation Title	Website location
Department of Behavioral Health & Development Services	Add OTs, OTAs, and editing definitions of QMHP, QMRP, Paraprofessionals per Ch 136 and 418 (effective 6/25/2019) https://townhall.virginia.gov/L/ViewXML.cfm?textid=13299 Adding 'Licensed Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner' to the Definition of LMHP (effective 2/21/2019) https://townhall.virginia.gov/L/ViewXML.cfm?textid=13097
Department of Juvenile Justice	Regulations Governing Juvenile Secure Detention Centers, Contracts Between Juvenile Detention Centers and Separate Entities (6VAC35-101-45) https://townhall.virginia.gov/L/ViewXML.cfm?textid=13450

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 Janice M. Sigler, Program Consultant, Division of Licensing Programs, at (804) 726-7958.

Sincerely,



S. Duke Storen

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