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Mr. Marc Denos
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2518 Robert M. Ball Building
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Baltimore, Maryland 21235

Dear Mr. Denos:

The West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources (DHHR) is designated as the state agency responsible for overseeing compliance with Section 1616(e) of the Social Security Act, the Keys Amendment. This letter certifies the DHHR establishes, maintains and enforces standards for assisted living facilities where significant numbers of Supplemental Security Income (SSI) recipients reside or are likely to reside. The Office of Health Facility Licensure and Certification (OHFLAC) is responsible for identifying and licensing all assisted living residences and residential care communities which provide services and care to residents.

The Code of State Rules and the W.Va. State Code assure compliance with Section 1616(e) of the Social Security Act. West Virginia Code of State Rules §64-14-1 *et seq.* and §64-75-1 *et seq.* relating to Assisted Living Residences and Residential Care Communities were authorized by statutes in 2004 and 1999, respectively.

OHFLAC will continue to report to the Social Security Administration Regional Office the names and addresses of facilities which no longer meet state standards, the effective date of the violation, the effective date when those facilities became compliant again, and the social security numbers of any SSI recipients in those facilities.

Should you need additional information, please feel free to contact me at (304) 558-0585 or email me at jolynn.Marra@wv.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jolynn Marra".

Jolynn Marra

cc: Bill J. Crouch, Cabinet Secretary
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