



AUG 30 2012

Ms. Liz Murphy, Administrator
Arden Courts Warminster of Yardley PA, LLC
333 North Summit Street
Toledo, Ohio 43604

RE: Arden Courts of Yardley
493 Stony Hill Road
Yardley, Pennsylvania 19067

Dear Ms. Murphy:

Thank you for your request for a waiver of 55 Pa.Code Ch. 2600 (relating to personal care homes). You have requested a waiver of 55 Pa.Code § 2600.45(a) for [REDACTED]. 55 Pa.Code § 2600.45(a) is not a valid regulation. However the Department believes you intended to request a waiver of 55 Pa.Code § 2600.54(a) (relating to qualifications for direct care staff persons) for [REDACTED].

A waiver of 55 Pa.Code § 2600.54(a) is not needed. According to § 2600.54(a)(2), direct care staff members must have a high school diploma, GED or active registry status on the Pennsylvania nurse aide registry. Documentation provided with the waiver request confirmed that [REDACTED] received a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration Management from the University of Liberia which exceeds the criteria for a high school diploma. Arden Courts of Yardley must keep a copy of this documentation.

If you have any questions regarding the waiver process, please contact Ms. Tara Pride, Policy Director, at telephone number (717) 783-3670.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ronald Melusky" with a stylized flourish at the end.

Ronald Melusky
Director