



SEP 28 2012

Ms. Pam Conrad, Administrator
Lutheran Social Services of South Central Pennsylvania
1050 Pennsylvania Avenue
York, Pennsylvania 17404

RE: The Village at Kelly Drive
750 Kelly Drive
York, Pennsylvania 17404

Dear Ms. Conrad:

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 § 2600.54(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 from International Education Research Foundation, Inc. provided to the Department confirmed that [REDACTED] earned the U.S. equivalency of a Bachelor of Science degree in Mass Communication at a regionally accredited institution which exceeds the criteria for a high school diploma. The Village at Kelly Drive 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