

NOV 19 2012

Ms. Anne Denny, Administrator
Concordia Lutheran Health and Human Care
134 Marwood Road
Cabot, Pennsylvania 16023

Dear Ms. Denny:

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)(2) (relating to qualifications for direct care staff persons) for [REDACTED]

The purpose of 55 Pa.Code § 2600.54 is to ensure qualified staff provide services to personal care home residents. The direct care staff members of the personal care home must be able to understand and meet the personal care home licensing regulations. According to 55 Pa.Code § 2600.54(a)(2), direct care staff persons must have a high school diploma, GED or active registry status on the Pennsylvania nurse aide registry. The home's waiver request submitted to the Department states that as of October 5, 2012, the date of the waiver request, [REDACTED] will not receive her high school diploma until June 2013 which is beyond the six month timeframe required to meet the qualifications.

This waiver is granted under the following conditions:

1. This waiver applies to [REDACTED] of Concordia Lutheran Health and Human Care.
2. This waiver is effective January 1, 2013 after which [REDACTED] has six months to obtain and receive her high school diploma.
3. [REDACTED] must obtain a high school diploma by June 30, 2013. [REDACTED] shall provide a copy of her high school diploma to the administrator of Concordia Lutheran Health and Human Care. [REDACTED] diploma shall be kept in her personnel file, and shall be made available to the Department upon request.


Ms. Anne Denny

2

The Department of Public Welfare will review this waiver during its annual inspection to determine compliance with the preceding conditions. Failure to comply with the conditions of this waiver or with other requirements of 55 Pa.Code § 2600 may result in termination of this waiver or other licensing action.

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 cursive script that reads "Ronald Melusky /RB".

Ronald Melusky
Director