



Ms. Ruthie Stubblebine
Columbia Cottage Wyomissing, LLC
3121 State Hill Road
Wyomissing, Pennsylvania 19610

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RE: Columbia Cottage Wyomissing, LLC
License #: 224640

Dear Ms. Stubblebine:

Thank you for your request for a waiver of 55 Pa.Code Ch. 2800 (relating to assisted living residences). You have requested a waiver of 55 Pa.Code § 2800.54(a) (relating to qualifications for direct care staff persons) for [REDACTED]

A waiver of 55 Pa.Code § 2600.54(a)(2) 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 GED certification from the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico. The Department recognizes education received in US territories to be equivalent to US state education. Columbia Cottage Wyomissing, LLC must keep a copy of this documentation.

If you have any questions regarding the waiver process, you may contact the Operator Support Hotline at telephone number (866) 503-3926.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tara Pride".

Tara Pride
Director of Regulatory Implementation